

Friends of the Joaquin Moraga Adobe
Meeting Minutes
Monday, January 23, 2017

- I. Meeting called to order at 7:40 p.m.

- II. Members in Attendance

Tania DeGroot	Ron Louis
Kent Long	Bob Thompson
Teresa Long	SB Master
Peggy Fuerst	Lance Beeson

- III. Introductions
 - A. New attendees - None

- IV. Adopted Minutes from Monday, December 19, 2016 with corrections - typo: "BMW in support" instead of "BMW is support" and add that SB Master will serve as second contact for the planning process with the architects.

- V. Treasurer Report
 - A. Treasurer Bob Thompson distributed FJMA's 2016 year-end Statement of Financial Position, reflecting \$125,795.24 in assets.
 - B. FJMA voted and unanimously authorized Bob to set up CDs for the unrestricted funds.
 - C. Members agreed to put year-end financial statements on the FJMA website.

- VI. J&J Ranch Project Progress
 - A. On Friday January 20th 2017, SB Master and Kent Long had a conference call with J&J developer John French and two of the architects from the Garavaglia firm to discuss the status of the project's "Basis of Design" (BOD) document. The architects are working on a draft of the BOD with input from FJMA and are hoping to present it to the Orinda Planning Commission in February.
 - B. FJMA agreed with the architect's assessment that the Adobe won't be 100 percent authentic, but will retain the look and feel of the original while being pragmatic by adding electricity etc. The goal is to retain the historical feel of the building, but make it practical for upkeep and usability.
 - C. Regarding the purchase agreement, John French reported to Kent that J&J lawyers are still working on it.
 - D. With all the rain, FJMA members were concerned with water getting into the Adobe. Kent agreed to ping John French regarding the Adobe's roof condition.
 - E. Lance mentioned having an outdoor cooking area with a traditional Horno (an adobe built outdoor oven.) Lance will send photos to Kent and SB so they can pass this idea along to the architects. Lance also mentioned a garden area with raised beds and that roses were a tradition at the ranchos.
 - F. FJMA members liked the idea of keeping the attic stairs – Kent and SB will pass this along to the architects.

- G. Kent noted that the meeting with the Orinda Historical Landmarks Committee planned for January 17th didn't happen. The developers were going to discuss the BOD, but this turned out not to be a requirement before presenting it to the Orinda Planning Commission.

VII. Fund Raising / Community Events

- A. **Cycling Jerseys:** Kent sent email to Concord BMW who agreed to be a sponsor. Tania will follow up with Carla concerning the next steps.
- B. **Festival of the Trees:** Kay Norman suggested FJMA apply to be a beneficiary of the Orinda Woman's Club annual fundraiser Festival of the Trees in November. FJMA members authorized Teresa to submit an application.
- C. **Fandango 2017:** A venue has been secured and a date set. This year's Fandango will be held on Saturday, August 26th. More details will be available soon.

VIII. Adjournment / Next Meeting

- A. The meeting was adjourned at 8:45.
- B. The next meeting will be held at 7:30 PM on Monday, February 27, 2017 at the Gallery Room of the Orinda Community Center, 28 Orinda Way, Orinda.

Friends of the Joaquin Moraga Adobe
Meeting Minutes
Monday, February 27, 2017

- I. Meeting called to order at 7:35 p.m.
- II. Members in Attendance

Tania DeGroot	Jeff Boero
Kent Long	Bob Thompson
Teresa Long	SB Master
Ron Louis	Peggy Fuerst
SB Master	Bobbie Landers
- III. Adopted Minutes from Monday, January 23, 2017
- IV. Announcements
 - A. On Thursday, February 23 the Orinda Community Foundation recognized grant recipients, including FJMA, recipient of a \$2500 grant. \$200,000 has been granted through the Foundation since 2010.
- V. Treasurer Report
 - A. Treasurer Bob Thompson distributed FJMA's detailed Statement of Financial Position, as of February 27, 2017 reflecting \$125,795.24 in account balances.
- VI. J&J Ranch Project Progress
 - A. Kent Long and SB Master continue to work with J&J Ranch developers and Garavaglia Architects. A rendering of the refurbished Adobe and surrounding hardscape and landscape will be presented tomorrow evening, February 28 at 7:00 at the Orinda Planning Commission meeting.
 - B. Discussion confirmed that FJMA supports restoration of the Adobe to the 1848 "footprint" which includes the original 1841 2-room structure and the subsequent 3-room adobe construction addition
- VII. Fund Raising / Community Events
 - A. Fandango – Confirmed for Saturday, August 26 at the 'Old Yellow House' on Moraga Way, fully restored by James Wright, utilizing state-of-the-art energy efficiency technology. As an Apple employee, Bobbie Landers' son-in-law is donating his time and a commensurate monetary donation will be made by Apple to FJMA.
 - B. FJMA submitted a grant application to the Orinda Woman's Club 'Festival of Trees'. Review of applications was scheduled to be conducted February 14. No response as of this date. Beneficiaries are to make presentations at the March 14 General Meeting.
 - C. Cycling Jerseys – Tania DeGroot has not yet heard back from Concord BMW on their planned sponsorship.
- VIII. FJMA Annual Meeting –
 - A. Scheduled for March 20, 2017. Slate of candidates has been established:
President - Kent Long
Vice President - SB Master
Secretary - Jeff Boero
Treasurer - Bob Thompson
Members at Large: Lance Beeson, Tania DeGroot, Peggy Fuerst, Ron Louis.

IX. New Business

- A. April 23 is the Wagner Ranch Wildlife Festival, 11:00 – 4:30. FJMA has been invited to attend with a booth / display.
- B. Over the Holidays Bobbie Landers made contact with the Contra Costa Historical Society. Beverly Lane of CCHS has asked if FJMA would make a presentation to it's members in March or April of this year. Kent Long agreed.

X. Adjournment / Next Meeting

- A. The meeting was adjourned at 8:500.
- B. The next meeting will be held at 7:30 PM on Monday, March 20, 2017 at the Gallery Room of the Orinda Community Center, 28 Orinda Way, Orinda.