

**Meeting of the Asbury Park Historical Society (A.P.H.S.)
Stephen Crane House (S.C.H.)/Arbutus Cottage
(Followed by a Seasonal Celebration)
Thursday, December 19, 2019
MINUTES**

Vice - President Jim Henry called the meeting to order at 7:09 P.M.

TRUSTEES PRESENT: Eileen Chapman, Teddy Chomko, Mary Damato, Jim Henry, Susan Rosenberg, Andy Skokos, **Susan Skokos****, Dolly Sternesky

TRUSTEES ABSENT: Kay Harris, Jennifer Schulman, Don Stine

****Note:** The Nominating Committee (Dolly, Jim, Mary) recommended Susan Skokos to fill Frank D'Alessandro's unexpired term (left board Dec. 1, 2019). The Board voted "yes."

PUBLIC ATTENDEE(S): Meghan Carroll, Tom Chesek, Corina ?, Ray Courtois Cyndy Donofrio, Daniel Huff (entertainer), Helen & Hank Keller, Joe Lemme, Don McLean, Lisa Rann, Ray Sternesky

PUBLIC COMMENTS: Joe lemme made an appeal to campaign for new members.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT:

Re-Org meeting, January 16, 2020:

- Charlie Horner will present a program about Frankie Lyman & the Teenagers at Convention Hall in 1956 when a riot broke out.
- Trustees running for re-election: Dolly Sternesky, Jim Henry. Don's term is up, so Ellen Carroll and Tom Chesek will run to fill the vacancy. The nominating committee also decided that Susan Skokos will fill Frank D'Alessandro's position.
- Don Stine will leave the board as of 12/31/19; Frank D'Alessandro has resigned

MINUTES: Nov. Minutes, tabled

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Budget/Finance: Andy Skokos, Treasurer

As of Nov. 30, 2019: **A.P.H.S.checking** - \$20, 472.44; **gaming** - \$1,452; **S.C.H. checking** - \$6,85.15; **money market** - \$45,366.06 **Grand total: \$74, 141.65**

- APHS received \$100 from the Woman's Club of Asbury Park.
- Andy suggested eliminating QuickBooks, \$70 monthly, and using his own system
- The Board unanimously voted to add Andy Skokos, along with Mary Damato and Jim Henry, to be a designated signer for the APHS accounts. Don Stine has resigned from this responsibility.

Archives/Artifacts & Exhibits: Don Stine

No report.

Website/Social Media Technology: Jennifer Schulman

No report

Grants: Jim Henry, Dolly Sternesky

Monmouth County Historical Commission granted APHS a matching grant of \$2,300 for work in "Stephen's room."

Legal/Gov't. Relations: Jim Henry

- As per Article 4, Section 7 of the Bylaws, the Nominating Committee selected Susan Skokos to fill the remainder of Frank D'Alessandro's unexpired term. The Board voted - 9, yes; 2 abstentions. Susan Skokos's term: 12/1/2019 - 12/31/2020.
- At the Re-Org. meeting, Jan. 16, members will vote to re-elect 3 and write in the name of the new trustee. Officers are elected at the Feb. meeting. The president then selects committee chairs (i.e., trustees)

Special Events/Fundraising: Teddy Chomko, Eileen Chapman

- Dec. 8: NYC Christmas Lights Bus Tour report: 102 people, 2 full busses. Total profit including the 50/50 (\$214): \$1,000
- Grateful to The Coaster for its weekly ads.

Programming: Frank D'Alessandro

- Frank proposed that Tom Chesek take over this function.
- 1/11/20: Light of Day event; singer-songwriter George Wirth with guests Regina Goldy and Frank Patrough; acoustic music; Grand D'Alessandro performs in his 18th and final "Season's Readings." It was suggested that a room be named for Frank.

Membership: Kay Harris

No report.

Newsletter/Outreach/APHS Archives: Susan Rosenberg

- Newsletter will be finalized and mailed early Jan.
- Susan sponsored the theatre company, Actors and Playwrights Collaborative that produced “Evening with Stephen Crane,” performed Nov. 17, 17. Dolly is representing the A.P.H.S., Dec. 5, at Springwood Ave. Rising.

Meeting Adjournment: 7:45 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Susan Rosenberg, Recording Secretary

**RE-ORG MEETING: JAN. 16, 7:00 P.M.
ASBURY PARK PUBLIC LIBRARY**

SEASONAL CELEBRATION included refreshments and entertainer DAN HUFF, OCEAN GROVE. Dan led sing-alongs, some dancing, and Susan Skokos played the piano.