

WASHINGTON COUNTY HISTORICAL SOCIETY
Board of Directors' Meeting
April 29, 2015
"Final"

The meeting started at 10:10 AM by Dick Kohler. Those in attendance were Susannah Nilsson, George Cannon, Niki Warner, Tony Bratty, Doug Alder, Dick Kohler, LoAnne Barnes, Patricia Hadley, Susan Crook, Jennifer Kohler, Elaine Tyler, Ian Crowe, and Lynne Johnston.

MINUTES – Lynne Johnston

A Motion was made by Doug Alder to approve the March 25, 2015 Minutes of WCHS with corrections. The Motion was seconded by Dick Kohler. Those present at the meeting said "Aye". The Minutes were then approved.

TREASURER'S REPORT – Elaine Tyler

A Motion was made by Susan Crook to approve the Treasurer's Reports for February 25, and March 25, 2015. The Motion was seconded by LoAnne Barnes. All present at the meeting said "Aye". The Treasurer's Reports were then approved.

BOILING SPRINGS ECOSEUM – Niki Warner

- Niki attended the meeting to encourage all who are interested in the Boiling Springs Ecoseum project, to attend the May 27, 2015 meeting of the Washington City – City Council meeting. At this meeting the Council will take a final vote on the Boiling Springs project. The meeting starts at 6:00 PM and is located in the Washington City – City Hall – 111 North 100 East.
- The water belongs to all who live in the City of Washington. It does not belong to the City Council, or Mayor Neilson
- She asked for help in identifying those who would be a good voice for the project. Several names were mentioned – she said she would contact those she could

QUARRY TRAIL – DIFFERENT THOUGHTS – Susan Crook

- Future Quarry Trail or the Owens Loop Trail
- St. George City Golf Course has been built over the early City garbage dump
- Suggested to have the Trail open on certain days for the hikers – not every day, so as not to interfere with the Golfers
- The Golf Course is where the West Spring is located from the 1862's thru the 1970's
- Stone was used from the quarry for the St. George Town Hall, the Tabernacle, the Temple and other buildings
- Some think the rationale should be to "share" the Golf Course
- Possible "risk" for the City of St. George
- Isn't it better to work with the City and get the Trail/Statue (to honor the CCC Camp) built/approved than to not have it approved and built at all

FIELD TRIP TO SANTA CLARA “KNIGHT” HISTORY MUSEUM and SANTA CLARA ARBORETUM – George Cannon

- The Museum has been enlarged to house more Swiss artifacts and has wonderful displays from some of the original Swiss families
- A few WCHS members visited the Museum
- There were approximately 30 people that viewed the Arboretum - learned about the plants and what they are used for
- They were entertained by “Flute” players while they were there

STORIES FROM THE ROCKPILE – Mike Empey – LoAnne Barnes

- Lecture was given by special guest Mike Empey
- Meeting was held at the “Cosmopolitan” building in Silver Reef
- There were approximately 60 people who came
- Mike told about the history of the 1870-1880’s in Silver Reef

- LoAnne reminded everyone that the Silver Reef Museum will hold its’ “Ghost Night” Tour – October 2015

FIELD TRIP TO MODENA, UT – Jennifer Kohler

- Arrangements have been made to have Phil and Judy Tuckett lead WCHS for this tour
- May 9, 2015 is the date - meet at 9:00 AM at the BLM office parking lot – 345 Riverside Drive
- Any questions you can read the Flyer on the WCHS website’s calendar <http://wchsutah.org/calendar.php>

FIELD TRIP FOR OCTOBER – Susannah Nilsson

- The field trip will meet at the BLM/ Church parking lot in Toquerville
- We will visit the Historical sites in Toquerville
- Learn about a murder which happened in the town
- Watch for time, etc. to be announced at a later date

SWISS PAPER CUTTING DEMONSTRATION – Randall McGee – Susannah Nilsson

- To be held on May 11, Monday, 7:00 PM at the Santa Clara Town Hall
- Early Swiss pioneers brought the art of paper cutting to Santa Clara
- There will be no charge for the activity

WEBSITE PROGRESS & UPDATE – George Cannon

- George mentioned that the WCHS website gets 19,000 “hits” per month
- There are 4,200 Subject pages on the site
- He has collected and entered onto the website 6,000 photos
- Recently he received a picture of a beeswax candle from the Apex Mine
- He has received 800 to 900 photos and documents about the East Elementary School
- George mentioned being the Webmaster of the WCHS website has become a “full time” job