

Geyserville Planning Committee

Minutes of the Meeting, Northern Sonoma County Fire Station

Tuesday, February 27, 2024, 7 p.m.

1. Call to Order

President Paul Connors called the meeting to order at 7:06 p.m

--Present:

President Paul Connors

Vice President Cecilia Muela by phone

Secretary Marshall Kilduff

Daisy Damskey

Jo Diaz

Bryce Jones

Treasurer Steve Sachs was absent

2. Approval of the Agenda.

Without objection, the minutes of the January 23, 2024, meeting were approved. Jo Diaz moved, and Paul Connors seconded the motion.

3. Business or Public Comments on Items Not on This Agenda

President Connors was thanked for his letter in general support of a SMART train extension that may include Geyserville. Daisy Damskey noted that Healdsburg leaders were signaling support for a train station in that town at the Hudson Street site instead of a location closer to downtown.

4. New Business

Finances: President Connors noted that the committee was likely to run out of operating funds by the third quarter of 2024. Individual contributions, by committee members are barred by law. Daisy Damskey said a grant from the Geyserville Community Foundation for communications expenses could be requested as in the past. In addition, several members supported appeals to past contributors and others on the committee's mailing list. Also, committee members could contribute to the community foundation, which has supported the committee previously.

Annual Meeting: President Connors laid out the basic plans for the committee's annual meeting, scheduled for Wednesday, April 24, at the Geyserville High School in conjunction with a school open house. There was considerable talk about the choices for speakers at the event. Fire chief Marshall Turberville is confirmed as one speaker with plans to add a representative of the Sheriff's Office, Supervisor James Gore and the new executive director of Corazon, Marcy Flores, who is a resident of Geyserville. Bryce Jones offered to present an update on the sculpture trail and related projects.

President Connors said he would undertake obtaining a banner announcing the date and location to be placed in a prominent location in Geyserville.

Members of the committee were encouraged to arrive early to set up tables and chairs for the event. Marshall Kilduff and Steve Sachs would handle sign-ins and ballots for election for new terms on the committee.

Bryce Jones said these elections would be a chance to put the committee back on regular schedule of selection. Five members are up for new terms and the committee should have a four-person election this year. It was decided to discuss at the next meeting the best way to handle this change. One idea: four members would be up for two-year terms and the fifth given a one-year term.

5. The meeting was adjourned at 8:05 p.m. on motion by Daisy Damskey and seconded by Cecilia Muela.