

Southampton Railroad Station Society
Board of Directors Meeting Minutes

Date: Thursday, March 15, 2012

Board Attendees:	<u>Present</u>	<u>Excused</u>
	Jim Rose	Jim Day
	Jon Frey	
	Mark Liss	
	Leon Duminiak	
	Regina Frey	
	Frank Baldwin	
	Charlie Liberto	

Members/Public Attendees: Paul Iverson, Andrew & Laura Brandley

Topics of Discussion:

OLD BUSINESS

- Utility Services – Jon Frey reported that, according to Jim Day, Lyn Vogel can proceed to pull wire and install the breaker box as his schedule allows.
- SEPTA – no activity.
- Insurance – no activity.
- Station Society Website – Jon Frey reported that the website received about 96 visits in the past month. Jon indicated that he would soon add the link for ordering tickets for the Fall 2012 excursion to the website.
- Special Events/Activities – Regina Frey indicated that the security deposit has been paid to the NH&I RR for the Fall 2012 excursion. Charlie Liberto, Frank Baldwin and Jon Frey recently met with Paul Harland of the NH&I RR to discuss the provision of box lunches and photo run-by locations for the excursion. They also reserved May 4, 2013 for the date of a Spring excursion. Jon also indicated that he would proceed to order a double-sided banner advertising the excursion to install at the station.
- Grants – Jon Frey indicated that he would incorporate suggestions from the committee meeting into the grant application. Jon plans to conduct a committee meeting the second Thursdays of each month beginning at 7:30pm.
- Site Sign – no activity.
- Fundraising – Leon Duminiak suggested that members of the board attend the Community Organization Event to be held on Friday, April 20th. Leon felt that it would be a good opportunity to bring the project to the attention of community organizations.
- Adjacent Development Project – no activity to report.

- Site Work/Activity – Jon and Regina Frey, with the assistance of other volunteers, are planning to work this coming Saturday to continue with the brush removal/clean-up.
- Station Model Kit – no activity.
- Site/Building Issues – Mark Liss suggested that we proceed with getting estimates for the foundation repair work and begin work to recruit volunteers and material donations for the ticket bay and lower roof repairs.
- Village Market – Jon Frey indicated that he was under the impression that the market would start-up in May but not be held at the station site due to parking and other limitations. The market group still intends to support the station restoration effort with donations.
- Business Cards – Leon Duminiak distributed samples of business cards that he developed. Regina Frey also created a sample card. The general consensus of the board was that it preferred Regina's design.
- Newsletter – Jon Frey indicated that the Spring issue of the quarterly newsletter would be published in late April.

NEW BUSINESS

- Meeting Minutes – The meeting minutes of February 16, 2012 were approved as submitted.
- Treasurer's Report – Regina Frey reported that the current balance in the society's account is \$3,068.66. Recent payments included \$1,832.00 to the New Hope & Ivyland Railroad for the Fall excursion. Tax Return Publication #78 has been accepted by the board as submitted.
- Ignite/Stream Energy – Andrew and Laura Brandley presented a proposal to the board regarding a fund-raising potential for non-profits. The society could generate an income stream by recruiting new customers for Stream Energy. This would equate to \$4 per month per customer income for the society. The only up-front cost would be a \$99 sign-up fee which would be reimbursed after the first 10 customers were recruited. Commercial customers within the PP&L territory would also be included.
- Membership – Regina Frey reported that she received no new membership applications in the last month.
- Next Board Meeting – the board will next meet on Thursday, April 19, 2012 at the Upper Southampton Township Building beginning at 7:45pm.