

**EAST BARNARD COMMUNITY CLUB**  
**Annual Meeting November 5 2016**  
**East Barnard Community Hall**

**Present:** Mary Croft, Rodney Croft, Paige Gibbs, Bud Leavitt, Dan Leavitt, Jill Leavitt, John Leavitt, Marlene Rand, Abner Schlabach, Virginia Schlabach, Jill Thomas, Floyd Van Alstyne, Marjorie Van Alstyne, Marian Whitaker, Glenn Yankee, Joani Yankee

**Meeting called to order** 6:45pm

**Minutes** were approved by a motion by Floyd Van Alstyne, seconded by Virginia Schlabach

**Treasurer's Report** approval moved by Glenn Yankee and seconded by Dan Leavitt. Glenn Yankee inquired if expenses were likely to remain steady. Mary Croft, Treasurer, replied that maintenance expenses (utilities, insurance) have been steady over the years. Glenn Yankee called for the meeting to express thanks to Mary for her work as she completes her term as treasurer. Report is at the end of these minutes.

**President's Report** Jill Thomas noted the many activities of the Community Club this past year. Among them, Yard Sale, Largely Local Supper, card parties, yard sale, beer tasting party, summer potlucks Spring cleanup bee, and other gatherings. In the work done to maintain and improve the hall most items identified at last year's annual meeting were addressed: berm removal and grass seeding by Fran and Pam Carbino. basement windows now operable thanks to Glenn Yankee, painting, repairs, Jill Leavitt created the website, Mary Croft established a Pay Pal account. Events not sponsored by the Community Club were also held at the hall - among them: the Carbino family reunion, Bud's 90<sup>th</sup> birthday celebration, a fund raiser, Delectable Mountain Quilters, a movie and a Halloween event. The Community Club and the hall have had a successful year. Glenn Yankee suggested that another coat of paint on the railings and power washing the hall should be done.

Nominating Committee Virginia Schlabach reported for the committee members, Carol Robbins, Joani Yankee and herself. The committee worked very hard to find people willing to accept nominations. No one was found to fill the second Vice President office. Other than that office the following offices which fall open this year (January 1, 2017—December 31, 2017) are: *Treasurer* Abner Schlabach is willing to serve as an interim for one year with Tina Lewin completing the remaining year of the term. *Luna Moore Scholarship Committee* Carol Robbins to serve the remaining two years of a vacated 3 year term, Jeff Thomas to serve a three year term.

Rod Croft moved that nominations be closed and the secretary cast one ballot for the slate, Dan Leavitt seconded

**Auditors and Property Committee**

Nominations from the floor were called for 2 auditors and 3 members of the property committee.

*Auditors:* Abner Schlabach and Glenn Yankee volunteered to serve as auditors this year. Joani Yankee moved and Jill Leavitt moved that nominations be closed and the secretary cast one ballot for this slate

*Property Committee:* Rod Croft and Dan Leavitt. They were charged to ask John Syme if he would again serve as the third member. Dan Leavitt moved and Jill Leavitt seconded that nominations be closed and the secretary cast one ballot for this slate

**Dues** The President reported that the Executive Committee (i.e. President, First Vice President Secretary, Treasurer) propose that the current price for annual dues (January 1, 2017—December 31, 2017) remain

unchanged at \$5. It was noted that dues are not meant to produce funds but to serve as membership registration.

**Non Profit status** Paige Gibbs was called to report on the possibility of attaining tax nonprofit status (501c3) The executive committee had agreed to pay a retainer of \$750 to attorney Mark Oettinger to consult with Paige about proceeding with this project. Mark grew up in the village and offered his services at a significant discount.

A 501c3 status granted by the state and federal IRS will ensure that the East Barnard Community Club would be eligible to apply for grants to improve the building and provide ADA access. Also future donations to the club would be tax deductible. The club can apply with an online EZ process because the assets of the club are below \$250,000 and there are no employees of the club.

Glenn Yankee moved and Dan Leavitt seconded that the project continue and a vote to endorse 501c3 status be warned for a special meeting

**Bylaws** Paige Gibbs reported that in the course of researching 501c3 status several possible revisions to the bylaws were identified: Change of the incorporated name of the club to conform with the name of the club in the deed of the hall, revising the name of the current office of vice president, changing the dissolution section to conform to the stipulation of the deed that the hall be returned to the Grange or its successors should the club dissolve. There may be others items to also be considered. Paige asked for volunteers for an ad hoc Bylaws Review Committee to investigate and then propose bylaws changes in a vote to be warned for the special meeting called to consider 501c3 status. Marilyn Syme had previously volunteered. Abner Schlabach and Jill Leavitt volunteered. The president appointed Jill Leavitt as convener.

#### **New Business**

- Elizabeth Ferry and Karen Thorkilson would like to donate to the hall any extra power they may have from Green Mountain Power in 2017/18. It was agreed to accept with pleasure and sent them a thank you note.
- Floyd Van Alstyne informed the meeting that he, Fran Carbino and Gerry Fredrickson, on behalf of the Fire Department has done a search for the meets and bounds and found one pin of the Fire department property donated by the Wesbrooks. In the spring they hope to find the others because the former store property, adjacent to this lot may be sold soon.. This property is across the road from the hall and was donated to the fire department for community use. It could be used as additional parking for hall events. John Leavitt also knows the location of the pin that has been found.
- John Leavitt was asked if he was willing to produce the Memory Tree event this year, He replied that he was willing to do and will ask Marilyn Syme to help.

**Adjournment** The meeting was declared adjourned.

Respectfully submitted, Paige Gibbs-secretary

All votes were unanimous

## Treasurer's Report

### Beginning Balance November 16, 2015

	<b>*Oyster Supper Craft Sales - To Be Deposited</b>		<b>\$71.85</b>
	Checking - General	<b>\$7,092.74</b>	
	Checking - Siding Fund Balance	<b>\$2,573.72</b>	
	Checking - EC Fiber	<b>\$176.76</b>	
	<b>Checking Account Total</b>		<b>\$9,843.22</b>
	<b>Savings</b>		<b><u>\$6,000.26</u></b>
<b>Total</b>			<b>\$15,915.33</b>
	<b>Checking – ECFiber</b>	<b>(to correct error to 126.76)</b>	<b>(\$50.00)</b>
	<b>*Oyster Supper Craft Sales deposited 12/4/2015</b>		<b>\$15,865.33</b>

### Income

Interest Income	\$1.91
T-Shirt Sales	\$1,031.00
Memory Tree	\$515.00
Ice Out	\$135.00
Yard Sale	\$911.20
Dues	\$135.00
Use of Hall	\$1,280.00
Largely Local Supper Ticket Sales and Donations	\$3,789.71
Quilt Raffle	\$658.00
50/50 Raffle	\$180.00
Bazaar & Vendors	\$260.57
EC Fiber Donations	\$306.00

**Total Income** **\$9,203.39**

**Expenses**

Electric	\$369.01
Heat	\$1,330.76
Lawn Mowing	\$400.00
Insurance	\$\$1,452.00
Ice Out	-
Hall Repair	\$620.00
Hall Roof Painting	\$2,700.00
Hall - Lock Box	\$101.79
Kitchen Equipment	\$23.45
Sunshine Expense	-
Yard Sale	\$38.59
Largely Local Supper 2015	\$28.30
Largely Local Supper 2016	\$872.89
50/50 Raffle	\$90.00
Quilt Raffle	\$104.65
Retainer for Legal - re Non-Profit	\$750.00
T-Shirt Printing	\$1,326.81
Gift Cert for R. Leavitt	\$50.00
EC Fiber Paid to Broad Brook Fire	\$368.18

**Total Expenses** **\$10,626.43**

**Ending Balance October 20, 2016**

Checking - General Fund	<b>\$ 8,365.54</b>
Checking - EC Fiber Fund	<b>\$64.58</b>
Checking - Siding Project	-
Savings	<b>\$6,002.17</b>

**Total** **\$14,432.29**

<b>Luna Moore Scholarship Fund</b>	<b>Balance</b>		<b>\$13,536.59</b>
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<b>T-Shirt Sales</b>	<b>Income</b>	<b>Expense</b>	<b>Total</b>
	1,031.00	1,326.71	<b>(\$295.71)</b>

<b>EC Fiber Fund</b>	<b>2015 Balance</b>	<b>Income</b>	<b>Expense</b>	<b>Total</b>
Balance October 2016	126.76	306.00	368.18	<b>\$64.58</b>

<b>Largely Local 2016</b>	<b>Income</b>	<b>Expense</b>	<b>Total</b>
Donations	1,460.00	-	<b>\$1,460.00</b>
Dinner	2,167.00	872.89	<b>\$1,294.11</b>
Sale of Food	162.71	-	<b>\$162.71</b>
Quilt Raffle	658.00	114.65	<b>\$543.35</b>
Bazaar	163.50	-	<b>\$163.50</b>
50/50 Raffle	180.00	90.00	<b>\$90.00</b>
T-Shirts	100.00		
Advertising	-	-	-
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<b>Total</b>	<b>\$4,891.21</b>	<b>\$1,077.54</b>	<b>\$3,813.67</b>