

# **ROUTE 66 STATION VILLAGE COUNCIL**

**Minutes – October 29, 2009**

**Meeting place: Trinity Baptist Church**

**Time: 5:30pm**

**Meeting was called to order by: Judy Ryan at 5:40pm**

**Council members present: David Yowell, Mike Massey, Kim Jones, Walter Kempe, Glen Mulready, Don Engle.**

**Advisors present: David Breed, Roy Heim, Ken Rowley, Katy Spetter**

**Guests present: Dennis Whitaker, Marilyn Massey, Jean Breed, Judy Ryan, and Anna Brown.**

**Business conducted: Minutes of previous meeting were read by Mike Massey and approved as corrected. Motion to approve was by David Yowell...second by Don Engle...Motion carried.**

**Election of Chair...it was decided to have Jeannie Cue continue as acting chair.**

**Report: TRAIN COMMITTEE – Mike Massey has been working on caboose and passenger car parts in his garage. He is preparing to build slider windows for caboose cupola.**

**David Yowell reported that the BNSF Foundation continues to place more requirements to get the train moved to West Tulsa even though all the original requirements had been met in their entirety. David suggested that all future efforts to pursue getting any funds from the BNSF Foundation cease and for us to seek the funds elsewhere.**

**Report: SITE COMMITTEE – A “Council Oak Tree” sapling has been located and designated as ours by the Urban Forester. Measurements were given where to plant the tree and a stake was driven with a yellow flag to indicate where the tree will go. Our tree will line up with the Council Oak Tree downtown. Tim Nall of “We Be Trees” has offered to plant the tree within the next week or two.**

**The derrick needs to be secured with a fence. Richard Ryan has talked with Shelby Oakley and they are working on the details. Ameristar may consider donating a 6 ft. high fence to possibly control any activity on the underside of the derrick. Don Engle also suggested purchasing a deer stand camera at approx. \$400. Katy Spetter suggested a derrick cam. Her husband sets up 24/7 security monitors. Because of recent theft of two grounding rods only two corners of the derrick are now grounded.**

Roy Heim visited the site of the oil pump jack and tanks at 57<sup>th</sup> & Riverside...took pics and measurements. There is the possibility that the village may receive them. Katy Spetter mentioned the Fell family equipment located at 51<sup>st</sup> & SW Blvd. as a possible source of other oil pump jacks.

Kenny Rowley has offered to help insure that items for the village are installed in their proper sequence.

Roy Heim visited a Phillips 66 filling station at 6<sup>th</sup> & Detroit. The style is “Tudor Revival”. He suggested this style be used in our village. John Gay may be a potential contact to approach Conoco-Phillips about donating funds to construct a station. Roy called for a vote for research and development. Motion passed.

Don Engle made a motion, seconded by Kim Jones to research the Bartlesville airport hanger as a possible example for the village. Motion passed.

Roy Heim shared that the Frisco RR depot at Red Fork was originally an old section house located at Cedar and Patton Streets towards the railroad tracks. As a depot it had two rooms downstairs, an upstairs, and a freight room on the back. Frisco archives may contain the original drawings. All council members agreed to utilize that design for the village.

Signs for the derrick will be as follows: top level will be 7' x 7'. These will contain two Oklahoma Centennial and two Route 66 signs; the middle level will be 12' x 12' (content of each sign to be determined); lowest level will be 17' x 17' (content of each sign to be determined).

Cost of signage needs to be explored. Don Engle suggested the need to look into new technology for creating derrick signage. Rules for signage have changed. Kenny Rowley stated that when we are ready for the signs we will need to submit our request to the city for approval.

The idea of clear signs was mentioned to create more visibility for the derrick.

David Breed shared that different guidelines apply to signage depending on its purpose and content...advertising vs. historical.

David Yowell suggested that visitors be guided throughout the village via signage and/or electronically... that this will help give them an accurate feel for the chronological growth of Tulsa and the events that made Tulsa what it is today.

Kim Jones mentioned a cell phone service could be implemented to give visitors important information about the different exhibits as they tour the facilities. Cost = \$2,500/yr.

David Breed stated – if we want to have lights in the village for Christmas a power pole will need to be strategically placed before PSO will extend power to the village.

The grassy area in the village circle drive has been damaged apparently due to large trucks w/trailers making turn-arounds. It was suggested to use large boulders and/or signs as a deterrent. Dennis Whitaker will check into this and report back to the Site Committee.

Report: LANDSCAPING – Roy Heim has cut down some small trees. Tim Nall has agreed to clear the property. Glen Mulready and Sam continue to mow. We might want to consider creating a “Green Space” along the NE area of the land.

**Report: EXHIBITS – No report**

**Report: MARKETING, FUNDRAISING, RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT – The original overage of \$16,000 for the derrick structure and assembly has been reduced to no more than \$10,000. We will be consulting with an attorney to determine if we will owe any at all.**

**A donation of \$10,000 is forthcoming to the derrick fund.**

**David Breed submitted a “Profit and Loss by Class” report for the Southwest Tulsa Community Fund to the Council for review. This report is for the time period January 1 through October 22, 2009. It showed the contributed income and expenses for both the Chamber House and the Red Fork Centennial Derrick. After expenses the Chamber House net income is \$41,138.93 and the Red Fork Derrick net income is \$71,180.57...resulting in a total net income of \$112,319.50.**

**Report: HISTORICAL, CULTURAL – No report**

**Report: ADMINISTRATIVE, IRS, LEGAL – No report**

**Report: DOCENTS – No report**

**Misc. – Judy Ryan reported that Richard’s back surgery was successful and he is recuperating at home and is in good spirits.**

**Meeting adjourned at 7:00pm**

**Next meeting – Monday Nov. 16<sup>th</sup> @ 5:30pm...Trinity Baptist Church**

**Minutes taken by: Michael R. Massey, Secretary**