

BAKERSFIELD CONSERVATION COMMISSION
105th Meeting, Monday, May 21, 2018, 1 PM
Unapproved Minutes

Present for a Quorum: Dorothy Allard, Alice Foote, Larry Krygier, Carolyn Bronz, Pat Evans, Mary Lumbr

Call to Order: 1:08

Approve Minutes of March 26 meeting: Approved with several minor changes.

Financial report, Mary Lumbr: \$2,544.28 on hand. Larry has a bill of \$21.77 for paint for the picnic table. Motion to approve this expense (PE, AF) Approved.

Bridget Butler: She can not make the meeting today.

Bakersfield Town Park: The portalet will be delivered on Wednesday in time for Memorial Day this year. That is two extra weeks that we will need to pay for. We need to get a load of gravel for the steps in the Park. The higher steps have eroded to the point where people could trip. Larry will do the research on this need.

Planning for 4th of July Celebration: Alice and Dorothy met to plan postings on the kiosk. Information about ticks will be posted. Alice reported that Nancy Patch has a big poster on the Emerald Ash Borer, a firewood poster and several others which can be laminated and posted. Alice shared some handouts for kids' activities - animal tracks, nature walk scavenger hunt, etc. Dorothy suggests that we could store these on a rack in the barn or shed, to protect them from weather. Larry might have a stand that can be put in the barn to display items. Alice contacted the stream table person who was here last year on 4th of July and is waiting to hear back from her. The Historical Society members feel it would be fine to have this in their building. Otherwise, it could be in the Town Park, or near the bell gazebo, if the weather is good. It needs to have water and power available to run it. We are waiting to hear back from Bridget also, about a possible EAB presentation for the 4th.

Trail Maintenance, Shattuck Mtn: There are a couple of big trees that need to be removed from the trail, Dorothy reports. She has the equipment, but starting the chainsaw is a problem for her. Larry will bring his saw, and oversee starting any other saw. Wednesday June 27, 9 am, for the trail work day.

Upcoming Event Reminders; Announcements, Public Comment, Other: The Historical Society will finally have in hand 100 copies of the original history of Bakersfield book by Elsie Wells, hopefully by the 4th of July.. The daughter and granddaughter have scoured the original thoroughly and made some small changes.

Sights and Sounds of the Season: This morning Larry was watching a woodchuck hole. He saw a fox come down and jump on a mouse! Alice saw a big woodchuck in her driveway, and they have raccoons. Alice brought in an outstanding photo of a male cardinal right outside her window feeding a female. Also two indigo buntings hear her garden plot. Dorothy had a Cape May Warbler outside her house.

Date for next meeting: Monday, June 25, 1 pm. We will be going to the Heron Rookery. We'll meet at the Town Hall at 12:45 and carpool.

Adjourn: 2:24 pm