

## Minutes of the Executive Board of the Pullman Civic Organization – December 14, 2022

In Attendance: President John Lydon, Secretary Wyatt Ollestad (also Beman), Zone Directors Darrell Hill, Harriette Burks-Watson, Lynne Collins, and Margaret Kania; HPF Representative Jim Badali; Tom McMahon (Safety), Pat Brannon (House Tour); Beverly Ash-Larson

Draft November Executive Board & General Membership Minutes were circulated in advance and posted to the website.

**Motion:** To adopt the November Executive Board Minutes as posted. M/S/P (DH/JB)

Treasurer provided monthly reports in absentia, yielding the following for the month of November: for the PCO account, an opening balance of \$32,290.74 and a closing balance \$31,851.87, broken up as follows: Operating: \$17,864.46; Façade: \$9,140.75; Kirschner: \$1,414.23; Savings: \$3,432.43; and for the House Tour Fund, an opening balance of \$41,303.44 and a closing balance of \$41,779.01.

House Tour Committee detailed the income and expenses of House Tour 2022, which resulted in \$5,617.20 to be deposited for the Beman Committee's Façade Reimbursement Program.

The National Park Service was commended for their holiday event over the previous weekend, and it was mentioned that community feedback for the NPS's General Management Plan remains open and that lesson plans related to Pullman are currently being worked on.

President Lydon announced that sufficient insurance for the PCO holiday party had been secured from Pullman Tech Works, and that setup for the event will likely begin at about 4:00PM on that day.

Hospitality Committee (MK) reported that its article for this month's Flyer will detail upcoming holiday events and calls for volunteers to contribute thereto. Anyone interested in helping with decorating, cleanup, and the like are encouraged to contact Susan Schoephoester via email.

Beman Committee reminded those gathered that Applications for its Façade Reimbursement Program are due December 31.

Safety Committee reported that there was no CAPS meeting this month, and that the next CAPS and Safety Committee meetings will take place in January, with January 17 being the date for the former. Additionally, the Committee reported that property damage continues to occur throughout the neighborhood, and in the same manner as previous incidents. Residents are encouraged to remain vigilant.

Community Improvement Committee (JL) reported that the Chair has been in touch with the City regarding the malfunctioning streetlight along 114<sup>th</sup> St. It was announced that said streetlight has been replaced and is now back on.

Membership Committee (JL) reported that there are 238 members to date.

It was mentioned that the DEI Committee had held a meeting the previous night that included discussion of funding and the nature of the fiscal agent's involvement, and that a loose budget of \$870 for the Committee's efforts had so far been presented to Amazon.

President Lydon appointed Tom Shepherd as Chair of the Black History Month Committee. It was further mentioned that the Committee had so far met once, with its second meeting yet to be scheduled.

Historic Pullman Foundation reported that it would be holding a model train and town building workshop at the Exhibit Hall on December 29, and that a model train exhibit – with a *Polar Express* focus – was currently being assembled for display at the Exhibit Hall December 27-30.

It was announced that a holiday car parade would once again take place this year, at 6:00PM on December 24. Those interested in participating should gather in the Exhibit Hall's parking lot starting at 5:30 that day.

The President announced that a Harvard graduate student is currently working on a thesis about Pullman and is looking for interviewees to talk about how their sense of neighborhood history informs their community advocacy. Those interested in being interviewed should contact the President.

Condolences were express for the passing of Chuck Gregersen and Rudy Frigo's sister Barbara.

**Motion** to adjourn at 8:47PM (WO/LC)

Submitted,  
Wyatt Ollestad, Secretary