

**HARRINGTON OPERA HOUSE SOCIETY**  
**Minutes**  
**December 7, 2015**

The monthly meeting of the Harrington Opera House Society was called to order by President, Mark Stedman at 7:01 p.m. Present were Mark & Sheryl Stedman, Gordon & Billie Herron, Ed & Bunny Haugan, Carol Giles, Marge Womach, Karen Robertson, Paul Charlton and Linda Wagner.

Under agenda revisions, it was moved and seconded to change Garage Sale to Rummage Sale. Motion carried.

Ed presented the treasurer's report as attached. Moved by Billie and seconded by Sheryl to accept the report. Motion carried.

The minutes of the November 2015 meeting were read and approved as corrected. Moved by Billie and seconded by Sheryl to accept minutes. Motion carried

**Old Business:**

Sue Lani Madsen, architect for the elevator project, was present. She presented documentation (attached) regarding the bid process for the elevator. The Building Committee had met with her several times. There were some questions and concerns regarding the best way to enter the lobby from the Art Room. The three members of the building committee were asked if they were comfortable with the current recommendation. At the present time they indicated they were. A motion was made by Gordon Herron to approve awarding a contract to Western States Construction in the amount of \$305,000 as the responsible Bidder with the lowest responsive bid as recommended by the Architect of Record, and directing the Architect to prepare a contract for signature in accordance with bid documents. Notice of Award to be dated December 8, 2015. Seconded by Sheryl. Motion carried.

**New Business:**

Gordon mentioned that there is a toilet that is not working in the men's restroom.

Billie will be presenting a Power Point presentation to the Lions Club the third Wednesday in January regarding the piano purchase project and other information. Mark and Sheryl were thanked for going to Portland, OR to purchase the piano.

Karen will do some marketing and advertising regarding current happenings.

Carol reported that the rummage sale during Santa pictures was fun and was successful financially.

**Events:**

Santa pictures were successful although a lower than normal amount of settings were taken. Charley Colbert was a wonderful Santa!

The 4-H Council may want to use the Opera House. The consensus was that if they should like to do that, no fee would be charged although a donation would be welcomed.

The stage reading of "Our Town" by Davenport Theatrical was an excellent show although had a lower than anticipated turnout which could have been due to weather issues. Steve Brewster was able to get the "hum" out of the chandeliers caused by the PA system. Linda will write a letter of good will to Karen Brewster regarding our collaboration with them. The cast did note that it was cold on stage.

**Grants:**

Linda said that we had received \$2,000 in grant monies from Northwest Farm Credit. A picture with Emily Gordon presenting the check will be on December 22 at 10:00 a.m. in the Opera House lobby.

There is a desperate need for someone to write additional grants as we are missing out on opportunities.

**Good of the Order:**

The rummage room will need to be cleaned out in order to move items from the Art Room during elevator construction. We will need to get serious the first of the year.

Meeting was adjourned at 8:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Linda Wagner, Secretary