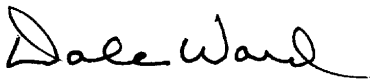


MINUTES
Shreveport Water Works Museum Governing Board
May 5, 2014

Attendance:	Marilyn Joiner	Nettie Brown	Russell Pedro	Gary Fox
	George Bakowski	David Kunz	Conway Link	Dale Ward
	James Mohr	Jim Van Hook		

1. Draft minutes of Feb. 10 meeting were approved.
2. Next meeting date was scheduled for August 4 at 5pm at the museum.
3. Painting of the lime silo is essentially finished at this time.
4. Ward reported that the Community Foundation has awarded a grant of \$45,000 to the McNeill Street Pumping Station Preservation Society for repair of the masonry on the south pumphouse wall. A private donor and the State will also contribute \$5,000 each for a total \$55,000 available for the project. A project manager, such as an architect or conservation consultant, is needed to oversee the project. Board members were asked to research ideas for this person/company and send them to the other members for consideration. Retaining this project manager is the first milestone in the project and input is needed ASAP.
5. Ward reported that the State is in the process of procuring bids for repair of the chimney, principally brick repointing. The Community Foundation grant should make it possible to also paint the water tower if chimney bids are as expected. There may be a small amount of money left over from the big projects to do a small project, so an idea for this will need to be selected if funding is available.
6. The board discussed ideas for a name to be applied to the 1/8 scale train ride proposed for the museum. "Shreveport Short Line" was the favorite of the group.
7. Ward reported that the local sponsors of the "Texas 4000" bicycle fundraiser have replaced the shower fixtures and the hot water heater in the museum's administrative building.
8. Visitors have totaled 1,551 through April 30 as compared to 556 last year.
9. Little suggested that the museum organize an art contest with a cash prize on site with the water works as the subject, ideally in partnership with SRAC. Discussion by the Board was supportive of the concept, and Little offered to contact SRAC and develop the idea further.

By: 

Dale E. Ward
Chairman of Governing Board