

# ALMA FOUNDATION

## Meeting Minutes

December 28, 2010

1. The meeting was called to order at 6:06 pm at the upstairs of the AOB by President Tim Balough. Members present: Shannon Hessian, Tim Zingler, John Deagan. Ellen McMichael was absent and excused.  
Public Present: Colleen Goettelman, Andrew Zimmerman, Bonnie Paffenroth, Linda Balough, and Jara Johnson.
2. John Deagan made a motion to approve the meeting's agenda, Shannon seconded, carrying an unanimous vote.
3. There were no community comments at this meeting.
4. An approval of the November 30<sup>th</sup> minutes were approved unanimously by the board.
5. Foundation brochure and logo: Andrew's mom, Rita Zimmerman, came up with a painting at the town hall, willing to have as a background for the Alma Foundation brochures. Andrew will give to Bonnie with Rita Zimmerman's permission. Bonnie is still trying to get brochure and logo put together. Tim Balough will review the options and to see what he comes up with for a logo. Review for the logo will be reviewed at the next meeting. There are three logos that are interchangeable, depending on where they are or who they are used for. Rita will do the background fill.
6. Alma Cabin update: Ellen had an excused absence but was able to provide us information needed via email. The Freshwater Construction has completed the foundation work and has been paid in full. Lindberg Construction has begun the roof work. Ellen is in contact with Barbara Darden, the architect, and Gheda Gayou, who is the contact person for the SHF regarding all work performed. The Alma's cabin expenditures to date are \$30,581.49 paid to Freshwater Construction and \$4,533.00 expenditures paid to Lindberg Construction. The total expenditures paid for the Alma Cabin are \$35,789.49.
7. Softball Field update: Location: Tabled for the next meeting as Andrew has not yet got a hold of the proper people, such as the land owners. A written formal agreement with the land owners and town need to be made by Nancy Comer. Andrew will bring to the Alma Town Meetings our agenda with the softball field. Topic to be discussed at the next Foundation meeting.
8. Community Christmas Party Review: Tim Balough and Shannon said the Christmas party went very well. Two separate seatings were organized to accommodate everyone that attended. Santa and Mrs. Clause were seated with the children in the library which went very well. Shannon will be sending Tim Balough the pictures she took at the Christmas party. Shannon will also be in charge of taking pictures for the Alma Foundation website.
9. Murder Mystery plan: Nancy Comer and Caroline Gannon were absent from this meeting. The dates of the Murder Mystery will be 1/21/11 and 1/22/11. The theme will be "Murder at the Four Deuces. Both nights will begin at 6 pm. The cost is \$15 per individual or \$25 for couples.

10. Community Building (Ladies Aide Building): Tim B ask about funds for upgrading the building as improvements to the building need to be made to make it a more modern and functional building for events. More discussion of this will be made at the next foundation meeting. Jara suggested that we dedicate the "New" Community Building to the Alma's Ladies Aide.

11. PayPal update: A donation button was put on the Alma foundation's website thru PayPal. A 2.9% interest plus \$.30 per donation will be taken paid to PayPal upon each donation made. Tickets to events will eventually be accepted thru the website paid thru by the PayPal button.

12. Officers Report: John Deagan reported, regarding the Softball field, that the Alma's lot and the property owners lot will damage property rights down the road. The Town of Alma and the Alma Foundation need letters by the property owners to document official permission to use the property. He will also find out who owns the land behind the Ladies Aide building. Liability protection will be needed as well.

Ellen McMichael's report via email stated that the Alma Foundation CD matured on 10/20/10 and rolled back into a 12 month CD. The new rate is 1.2500. We can get a higher rate if we want to commit the money for 18 months up to 48 months. The next higher rate for 18 months is 1.5000. We deposited \$10,000 for the CD; the renewal balance was \$10,885.82. Ellen will provide all of the accounting information early next month once she has it all put together. She will also provide our CPA, Jill Fishinger, with our year end information so she can work on the taxes earlier than later. The CPA generally charges the foundation \$100 and donates the rest of the work.

13. Community Comment: Bonnie stated that Bubba wants to write off his Bloody Mary's from the Alma Festival. Tim Z reminded everyone of Bingo, the first and third Thursday of every month. Andrew suggested we train more Bingo callers and volunteers. He will look into the dates of these trainings. There is a demand for Bingo and it is suggested that we keep it at twice a month during the summer. Andrew spoke with Nancy Comer and they decided that Thai One On date of 2/19 is not a good weekend to have it. Tim Balough suggested it be moved to 2/26. Tim Balough will notify the Flume, Southpark calendar and Nancy Comer. Also, John suggested that putting our CD money into a Money Market account would be wiser.

14. Adjournment: John motioned, Tim Z seconded, carrying an unanimous vote at 6:52 pm.