

The Villages Gem and Mineral Society Agenda

January 6, 2022

Call to Order at 7:30 pm

- **Officers Present**

President – Greg Vollendorf

Secretary – Barbara Helfer

Treasurer – Bob Delvaux

Board Members at Large – Norm Lewis, Bill Collins

- **Office Reports**

- Secretary – Barb have the December meeting minutes approved as written- Approved as published
- Treasurer - Bob give the Treasurer's report and have it approved
 - 11/30/21 Total Balance and Cash- \$5,956.41
 - December receipts- \$1707.09
 - December expenses- -\$1764.36
 - Total Balance- \$5899.14
 - Approved

- **Committee Chair Reports**

- Advertising : Bernie VanHorn
 - We are in the process of promoting the show
 - We have two people who have been interviewed for the Villages Magazine
 - Advertising in the Daily Sun for 3 days in the prior to the show
 - Working with other Clubs to allow us to promote the show, and we in turn would promote their show
 - Working on Flyers for the Rec Center
 - Making an event on Facebook for members to share with their friends
 - Banner ads for the Rec Center
- Equipment Committee : Norm Lewis/Bob Delvaux
 - Cab machines/slant machine- we have a group of new wheels. Please let Norm know if one of the machines is not cutting the way you think it should and he will work on it
 - Titan has a new plug on it.
- Field Trip Committee : Bill Collins
- Wire Wrappers/Jewelry Makers : Nancy Buettner/Susan McCauley
- Maintenance : Norm Lewis
- Safety Officer : Matt Davis
- Show Chairperson- need a person for running the show. We have a job description and list of the committees
 - Sign-up sheets and there are positions open for the show
 - Any help is greatly appreciated
 - Help needed for both Saturday night and the Sunday morning before the show to help vendors setup
- Sunshine : Wendy Griffith
- Training & Certification : Bob Delvaux
 - Started a new training system. New training on the second Monday of the month- 5p-9p
 - If you want a refresher, you are welcome to attend
- Webmaster : Laurie Tossy
- Workshop Greeters : Paul Graniello

- We need greeters for the January and February
 - We will allow you to split time with people and not have to do a 4 hour shift
- **Old Business**
- **Show chairman and volunteers needed for February Show**
 - Show Committee Policies, Organization and areas of responsibility
 - Charity accountability- we are looking into this and the Chair of the Show will be doing this and Board Members will help in this endeavor
 - Have we let the vendors know the sales tax implications- we are letting this up to the individual vendors but assume they will do what is lawful
 - Issue with our Equipment being used by other clubs (Norm Lewis)
 - We have protected machines by being able to lock them up. We are asking the members to remember what trolley the machine you are using came off of and put it back on the same trolley. We have engineered it so all the machines are able to be locked up and other clubs can't use the machines.
 - Suggestion to go to ACE Hardware and get plug locks which will enable you to lock the plugs so the can be plugged in.
 - Reminder, please use the machine signup sheets and reference the machine layout when setting up both Thursdays and Sundays
- **New Business**
- Education Committee- We need someone to run this committee and some people to help run this part of the monthly business meeting. This committee will actually train the members about different areas of the art of lapidary. This would include rock of the month. People can bring in a display of their work that are the rock of the month. We all have our little collections, and we want to show off what we are doing.
 - One session: Judi will do a session on taking pictures with a cell phone
 - Other suggestions:
 - Rock identification
 - Rock carving/Mosaics
 - Hearts/Crosses/Fishes a lot of creativity in the club that we would like to have people share
 - Judi said that she will help be on the committee. Bernie, Barb, and Ann
- 2022 Holiday Party- needs someone to plan the party. It will be the first Thursday in December in lieu of the business meeting. It is December 1st. But we have enough time to change this in
- **Open Discussion**
- William Holland. Adult rock camp. Jan 10th is the start of registration for their courses. They will be open for the first time in two years. All the teachers are volunteer.

<https://lapidaryschool.org/main.aspx>

 - To Register: Use this link to view classes and create a new account on the new site <https://reg131.imperisoft.com/lapidaryschool/Search/Registration.aspx>
 - Cost is \$495 for the week and this includes room and board. You can buy supplies at the school.
- **Close of meeting (and Ticket Sales & Raffle)**

There will be a celebration of life and a lunch after for Bob Helfer on January 21st at the Rock of Ages Church starting at 10:30, if you are planning to attend please contact Barb Helfer @ blhelfer@yahoo.com or 408-230-836