MINUTES Shreveport Water Works Museum Governing Board November 3, 2014

Attendance: Marilyn Joiner Nettie Brown Russell Pedro Cathy Williamson David Kunz Dale Ward

Jim Van Hook Paul Williams
Jeff Little Wayne Waddell

1. Draft minutes of August 4 meeting were approved.

- 2. Monday, February 9, 5pm at the museum was selected for the next board meeting. However it was noted that a schedule conflict could necessitate a change to February 10.
- 3. David Kunz arranged for a painting consultant to make a second inspection visit during September to update his estimate of the cost of repainting. The new estimate is \$80,000 to \$100,000, which is about \$20,000 higher than previously. Possible ways to find enough money to do the job and/or break the work into smaller components were discussed. Waddell said he was doubtful that the state could help with the work unless the bids for the chimney turned out to be less than \$75,000 so that money left over from this could be directed to the painting. Ward and Kunz will confer about getting estimates from contractors to clarify the cost.
- 4. Waddell reported that bidding for the chimney repair will close on 11/5/14 and for replacement of the office air condition closing is on 11/6/14.
- 5. Ward reported that Thomas & Parker Waterproofing Co. is under contract to the McNeill Street Pumping Station Preservation Society to do the mortar repointing project on the south pumphouse wall but has not started yet.
- 6. Jeff Little said that the ad hoc art contest committee has not met, but contacts have been made seeking a source(s) of additional funds for the contest prize. SRAC's advice was to wait until mid-to-late November to select the date for next spring to get better visibility on possible schedule conflicts.
- 7. Russell Pedro is ready to begin work on enclosing the loft area of the ozone/meeting room. The Preservation Society is providing the money to do this. Considerations with regard to the hot water heater located in the loft and the HVAC equipment, also located there, were noted and discussed for incorporation in the design of the partition.
- 8. Jeff Little reported on his experience manning the SWWM information table at the science/math teachers convention which was at Shreveport's convention center recently. He thought it succeeded in providing the SWWM some visibility with this group.
- 9. Ward reported that visitor traffic at the museum has slowed noticeably with the advent of Fall but is still good compared to last year.

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