

Meeting Minutes for Shire of Owlsherst

July 28, 2020

APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM PREVIOUS MEETINGS - not complete, Orlaithe to contact Arthur.

OFFICER'S REPORTS

Seneschal – Orlaithe- Report filed on time.

Deputy Seneschal – Linette – NTR

Exchequer – Fabrisse – Bank balance presented, Kalista is working well as new deputy, Report will be filed on time, the process of updating the seigniors on the checking account is going well and can be done via emails.

Deputy Exchequer – Kalista – is getting comfortable with new position.

Knight's Marshal – Wulfgar – practices have had low attendance due to Covid restrictions.

Arts & Sciences Minister – Sarra, Posted a link to Pennsic University on the facebook page.

Chatelain – Unna, Is working on Gold key items to include repairs to items, inventorying newly donated items, and putting outfits together. The plan is to have these items modeled and the photos placed in a data base so they can be viewed by those who might be interested in using them by a link on the webpage. Unna is working on the required releases and paperwork associated with this. She would appreciate help on this, please contact her directly to see what needs to be done.

Chronicler – Arthur (?) was reminded at the start of the meeting of the need to get previous meeting minutes completed, approved and posted to the webpage. He indicated he understood this completely.

Webminister/Social Media – Cordeilla, her report was filed on time, she reported that the shire's officers are in complete compliance with completing their EK accounts. She also will be setting up a shared drive where all officers can store the information relating to their office.

Herald – Kalista, the kingdom is still working on a definition of the term "offensive" as related to heraldry. There have also been some changes as to what is allowed in relation to devices. Please contact Kalista if you need further details.

Minister of Lists – Conall, NTR

Chamberlain – Ketilriçr, NTR

Rapier Marshal – d'Orean, same as Knights Marshall, low participation due to Covid.

Captain of Archers – Unna, like the other Marshalls, low turnout due to Covid but some shire members are getting active in archery.

Thrown Weapons Marshal – Gerhardt, NTR.

OLD BUSINESS:

Shire Gatherings – Wednesday evenings, members do attend, there were 11 at the last practice, All COVID rules strictly enforced. Kingdom is happy with the way we conduct the practices.

Chatelaine – Unna, update on Gold Key, refer to officers report for this one.

-Fostering Program Update – She is continuing to research and gather more information on how to put this together and will continue to provide updates as appropriate. The main point of this program is that it will be space where newcomers to the shire will feel “safe” meaning they won't feel intimidated that they might be asking a question or saying something that older members of the shire might be offended by (not that any of us would).

-Purchase of large Coffeepot – since most of our activities are at the church and we can use their large coffeepots, it was decided not to go any further with this.

Mexitaly Discord Meetings on Thursdays -Cordeilla, Discord meetings are still being hosted on Thursday nights for all shire members to attend. There has not been a lot of participation at these meetings and the question was raised as to the reason. The most common reason is that mundane duties override meeting attendance. It was noted that those attending do not need to stay for the entire 2 hours but can just pop in for a bit. It was also noted that Discord is not just for this meeting but can be used by any shire member to host meeting with others on relevant topics. Please contact Cordeilla for details on how to set up a meeting.

Rules for facebook groups – Cordeilla, asked that a committee be formed to formulate rules regarding postings to the facebook group and the removal for inappropriate posts. Linette, Cordeilla, Orlaithe will comprise the committee.

Printing of Harassment Policy – Cordeilla, not much progress on this, Cordeilla and Arther will reach out to some places they know to get the printing done and laminated and will report back to the group. This then led to a discussion on the location of the banner which has the policy on it. Nobody in attendance was exactly sure of its location but Unna will check to see if is in the gold key items and report back.

12th Night – Conall (event steward), Celine (head cook). The tentative date is 1/16/21 and the church is available, feast theme will be Italian and Kat will help with research.

Shire By-Laws Revision – Orlaithe, in process, waiting on review by Exchequer in relation to Exchequer policies.

Shire Wars – still on, there is a list of jobs that need to be filled. Please contact Orlaithe if interested for the list and contacts at Black Rose.

Shire Online Memorials – On Hold, Cord.

Chamberlain – Inventory – On Hold, Ket

NEW BUSINESS

Policy for Inappropriate Postings on FB – Orlaithe, see rules for facebook groups above.

Wulfgar donated a 20 lb. propane tank to the shire.

SCHEDULING

Shire Gatherings are continuing Wednesday evenings 6 – 8, FCOB pending weather.
Please check e-mail/FB page for cancellations due to weather/heat

Upcoming Events of Interest: please check the kingdom website and Pikestaff

Online East Kingdom A&S Display - ongoing

<https://moas.eastkingdom.org/online-ek-as-display/>

Virtual Classes <https://moas.eastkingdom.org/list-of-online-webinars/?fbclid=IwAR2YfoVjdn5KW8OAbz-KTF7QipUeOTXLOttsm3mxCn-v4pSkt4imtoMuhLI>

Pennsic University – classes' see A& S report above

Shire Wars IX, Battle of Kulekova, Mongols vs Russians, October 16 – 18, 2020, Jonestown, PA

Next Shire business meeting: **August 25, 2020 7:00 p.m.**

Reporting Schedule for Local Officers

Webminister – Jan 15, April 15, July 15, Oct 15

Chatelaine – Jan 15, April 15, July 15, Oct 15

Seneschal – Jan 15, April 15, July 15, Oct 15

Exchequer – Jan 30, April 30, July 30, Oct 30

MOL – March 1

A&S – June 1, Dec 1

Knight Marshal – last day of Feb, May, Aug, Nov

Herald – March 1, June 1, Sept 1, Dec 1

Archery Marshal – April 1, Oct 1

Chronicler – Dec 15

Rapier - last day of Feb, May, Aug, Nov

Thrown Weapons -