

Houston Area Blacksmith's Association, Inc.

Board Meeting Minutes October 23, 2008

Approved as corrected by Board Feb 5, 2009

Call to Order:

The Board of Directors meeting of the Houston Area Blacksmith's Association was called to order at 6:32 PM on August 5, 2008 by HABA Vice President, Les Cook. Les expressed gratitude on behalf of HABA to Stress Engineering for the use of their conference room and hospitality.

Location:

Stress Engineering Services, 13800 Westfair East Dr, Houston, TX.

In Attendance:

Les Cook –Vice President, Richard Boswell-Secretary, Ed Malmgren-Treasurer. Board members Tee Hines, Bob Hensley, and Steve Arial were present. Advisory member in attendance was Dave Koenig. Russell Parrish– President, and Tim Bailey were excused absent.

Order of Business:

1. Approval of Minutes

Richard Boswell distributed and read notes for the Aug 5, 2008 Board Minutes. Since these were notes and not the final typed version, these were read for information only.

2. Financial Report and Budget

Ed Malmgren reported that we now have all three accounts at one bank : Capital One. This includes checking, PayPal, and Money Market. Recent account status was discussed. Two documents were provided: Profit and Loss and Balance Sheet thru Oct 22. Additional details are on file at Ed's office. Richard moved to accept the report, and Bob seconded. Motion passed. HABA Appreciates Ed's efforts for organizing and reporting for this important function of our non-profit.

Also discussed is the need to order new business cards. We will maintain the Branch Point address as our corporate mail address.

3. KLEB Farm Harris County Contract

- Dave Koenig presented the most recent contract edition offered by Harris County (14 pages).

- Tee Hines reviewed our notes from first meeting with County about this arrangement for Cypress Top venue on Nov 2, 2007. Key contacts and supporters are Fred Collins, Bob Kendricks (deceased), and Ray Miller (deceased).
- The few pros and many cons of the complex contract were reviewed and discussed.
- Tee moved to decline the contract as proposed, and Steve seconded. Motion passed.

4. Monthly Meetings

Hurricane Ike in September and subsequent cleanup has created serious trouble for HABA programs this fall. Many demos, including Oldenburg Fall ForgeFest were canceled, postponed, or downsized.

November demo will be at Dave's Tudor Forge and will feature Holiday Forged Ribbon Hooks

January meeting will be in Bellville. Tee and Richard will contact Cowboy.

5. Old Business

There is no other business to discuss.

6. New Business

There was no further new business.

Adjournment:

Meeting was adjourned at 8:40 pm by Les Cook .

Minutes respectfully submitted by:

Richard Boswell

Secretary