

## Olathe Gem and Mineral Society - January 16, 2024 - Board Minutes

Place: Barbara Crompton's home

Time: 6:00 pm to 7:30 pm

Meeting was called to order by Norm Onnen

Our first discussion was the health status of Leslie Hartman-Leslie is still in the hospital and we have no additional information on her health.

With Leslie unable to attend the meetings we need a backup for refreshments, raffles, membership and field trips. Norm Onnen volunteered to bring the refreshments for the next meeting. Cynthia Palermo had volunteered to assist Leslie with the sign in sheets, name tags, and raffle - Larry Wells volunteered to contact Cynthia to have her arrive early to the meetings and have her take over some of the things Leslie did at the meetings (making sure all attendees sign in, hand out name tags and conduct our raffle). Barbara Crompton will bring the sign-up sheets for new members and collect the dues. Larry Wells was listed as backup for the field trips, so for right now he will be scheduling field trips for the club.

Future Field trips were discussed with suggestions of going to one of the Hamm locations in

In late March or April, to the river, and other locations we have visited in the past.

Venue for the OGMS meetings will continue at the Hope Chapel and OGMS Board meetings will be held at Barbara Crompton's home.

### March 8-10 Gem and Mineral Show

Schedule is: Wed Mar 6 - table set up

Thur Mar 7 - Vendor set up with club members who purchased space will set up tables and display cases starting at 1:00.

Fri, Sat, Sun - Sales (Swap) table

Sat is the live auction

Sun - tear down and removal of display cases.

Volunteers: We had 7 volunteers signed up at our January 4<sup>th</sup> meeting. (Debby Cowdery, Patricia Hernandez, Chet McLaughlin, Sherri Taylor, Courtney VanRavenswary, Larry Wells). Last year we had 23 volunteers.

Sales table interest:

A Betts (1), D Cowdery (1), B Crompton (2), Liz Kent (1), Larry Wells (2), and Karla Young (1), others have indicated that they would like tables also. The question of members bringing their own tables was brought up, approval will depend on if there is space available for the extra tables.

Display cases - We had 14 sign up to do display cases at the show.

A Betts (1), B Crompton (1), R Francis (1) , N Onnen (3), L Wells (4), the following will need to borrow cases - Jason Benton (1), Trevor Huston (1), L Kent (2).

Last year we had 23, we are looking for others the volunteer to do displays. The club receives a set amount of money per case so the more cases we have means more funds for the club.

Show Booklet Ad approval - The ad from the booklet for the 2023 show was look over and was approved with no changes.

Feb 1, 2024 Meeting:

We discussed the possibility for suspending the raffle and it was decided that we should go ahead and do the auction but will have to have members bring item for the auction. Norm Onnen will bring the refreshments. The scheduled program is "Watchmaking in America" given by R. Middleton.

April 4<sup>th</sup> Meeting program is planned to be gold panning.

May 2<sup>nd</sup> meeting - No program as been planned yet.

June will be our annual picnic. Date to be determined.

Club sidewalk sale is to be held at Mike Purduski in April or May. Larry Wells is to contact Mike to discuss the sale.

Association representatives for 2024-2025 - Chet McLaughlin and Norm Onnen with Larry Wells as alternate.

RMF Directory Corrections - Directory was submitted to club officers for possible corrections - corrections were submitted as needed.

RMF Congress - Date has not yet been decided.

Treasurer's report was presented and approved.

The Board discussed, and approved, adding the club President, Norman E. Onnen, to the approved list of signatories for the Olathe Gem & Mineral Society Inc. savings and checking account(s) at the Community America Credit Union. (Savings account ending in 0343, and checking account

Ending in 0343 70 4). Barbara Crompton and Larry Wells will remain as signatories to the savings and checking account(s).

Board and meeting minutes need to be brought up to date, approved and posted to web site.

Club By-laws need to be updated - a committee will be appointed to discuss.

Kansas and Federal filings are up to date.

A discussion about club dues being raised to cover cost of t-shirts was tabled for future discussion.

Norm adjourned meeting at 7:30pm.