



PUBLIC INFORMATION

ITEM NO. 4.

DATE OF MEETING: November 17, 2014

REQUESTED BY: Jeanette Jones, Pender County Historical Society Volunteer Coordinator

BACKGROUND: Ms. Jones and Treasurer Bob Murray are asking the Board for a donation for repairs to the Pender County Museum. A letter from Ms. Jones and Mr. Murray is attached.

November 3, 2014

Pender County Historical Society & Museum
P. O. Box 1380
Burgaw, NC 28425

Mr. Bob Murphy, Interim County Manager
PO Box 5
Burgaw, NC 28425

To Whom It May Concern,

The Pender County Historical Society and Museum is solely responsible for the maintenance and upkeep of the Main Museum building and the farm equipment Exhibit Building which houses the meeting room as well as all artifacts and displays. The people of Pender County can be proud of the artifacts and displays depicting Pender County and its history from the East to the West.

Our new front porch was provided thru the Eagle Scout project of Clint North. We cannot operate without fine people assisting us in times of much need. We are now in desperate need of repairs to the Black Smith Shop that is leaking and damaged. The Agricultural Barn has leaks where we display our farm equipment.

We replaced one air conditioner over the summer. Last week the other air conditioner went out. They were very old and we have spent money for several years to extend their life with expensive repair service calls. We are in desperate need of funds to protect our artifacts of Pender County. It is necessary to maintain good temperature control to protect our artifacts

The Museum is funded solely through donations, memorials, dues, limited sale of souvenirs, a restricted endowment, and our Christmas Home Tour sales.

The Town of Burgaw is willing to donate money to help us out if the County Commissioners would be willing to appropriate approximately \$1,500.00 to help save the Black Smith Shop. I have spoken with Chad McEwen, Town Manager, and Louis Hesse, the town's building inspector. They both have been over to look at the Blacksmith Shop. If you would like to look at Blacksmith Shop, I would be glad to arrange a time for you.

The Historical Society will appreciate your consideration of this request to help preserve our Pender County heritage and buildings.

Sincerely,



Jeanette Jones, PCHS Volunteer Coordinator
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Bob Murray, PCHS Treasurer
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