



Meeting Minutes
St. Louis Park Historical Society
March 6, 2018

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Attending: President Ted Ekkers; Treasurer Henry Solmer; Trustees Bill Beyer, Jim Robbins, Rick Sewall; Member Don Schimmel

GOVERNANCE:

- The February minutes were approved.
- Treasurers Report: Ted submitted the treasurer report on behalf of Henry who was not yet present, and it was approved.
- Membership Report: Ted submitted the following membership figures on behalf of Jeanne who was not in attendance; 72 paid, 77 due, and 111 overdue.
- RE-Echo update: The latest issue of the RE-Echo was mailed last week and copies were dropped off at city hall and the library. Ingrid had said the next issue was scheduled for an April production with content due at the end of March. This may be Ingrid's last issue and Bill showed interest in taking up the project using a different publishing software that could limit the need for an additional volunteer needed to do layout.
- Office Admin: Ted noted that there have been concerns about the speed of the wifi. The current technology, which was set up by former Board Member, Paul Linnee, was selected for its low cost considering the limited use of the office and limited funds. Further research is needed to determine the cost of an alternative and more reliable service before any action can be taken.

COLLECTIONS & RESEARCH

No report.

PROGRAMMING

- Ted did a brief local history presentation at the annual neighborhood meetings for Wolfe Park and Minikahda Vista in February. About 20 people attended at Wolfe Parke, and about 10 people were at Minikahda. There was interest from attendees of Minikahda Vista to try another history program that would solicit more pictures, mementos and stories.
- Fundraiser with Mark Rosen: Jim Robbins reported that there was no new news from his assistant about his availability for a fund raiser.

STRATEGIC PLANNING AND FUNDRAISING

- Concerning the Society's future housing, Ted shared that there is likely support from Council if a clear and reasonable request was made for funding. There is need to create a clearer long term vision and determine the true needs of the Society before moving forward.

ADJOURNMENT AND NEXT MEETING

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned. The next Board meeting will be on Tuesday, April 3, 2018, at 7:00 pm in the Society's office.