

St. Louis Park Historical Society

November 10, 2020, 7pm, meeting with Zoom

Minutes

Attending: President, Ted Ekkers; Secretary, Kathy Spence Johnson; Treasurer, Henry Solmer; Trustees, Bill Beyer, Jim Robbins, Jane Hagstrom, Steve Woodbury, Mary Lou Nemanic, Rick Sewall, John Olson

The Minutes of the October meeting were approved as written.

Treasurer's Report-Henry provided the financial spreadsheet. He reported that the \$10,000 Grant money has come in. Henry also reported that our subletters are both behind in their rent.

Ted will contact them about this. He will help plan with them, as necessary.

Due to our low income these past few months we asked Henry to transfer \$1500 from the saving account (Building Fund) to the checking account.

We discussed Give to the Max Day, November 19th. We will update our page with them and promote the fundraising in our newsletter and on Facebook. The Campaign will be asking for \$2500, with a matching gift of \$500 Board Donation Challenge.

We discussed the new Insurance Policy. Jim reported that he has been working with the new agent. The premium is due in November. Kathy asked what the coverage entailed. Jim will explain more about the coverage at our December meeting.

Membership remains at 221. There will be a membership campaign in January.

Re-Echo-Bill's deadline for the next issue is December 1. It will cover Health Care in the Park and possibly Nelson's Meats.

Office Administration-Kathy had sent out a draft of the Covid Preparedness Plan. We discussed many of the items that need to be addressed. Kathy needs to track down hand sanitizer and ask Curt Rahman about the air exchange system in the office building.

Kathy will update the Plan and bring a completed draft to the December meeting for Board approval.

Donations are light due to Covid. Jim updated us about the research on the Cedar Lake Road "roadhouse". Items offered by the homeowner are not identifiable as artifacts and just remnants. We did not take them.

Ted received some buttons from Claudia Johnson, Lion's Club, Homecoming 1948.

Research questions from the last month include photographs of the Baskin Robbins at Texa-Tonka, several individual house questions.

We discussed some future office/museum locations including the current STEP building. Ted will ask STEP about its plans for it.

Next meeting-December 1, 2020, on Zoom. Adjourned