

St. Louis Park Historical Society Board Meeting, On Zoom

February 1, 2022

Minutes

Attending: Ted Ekkers, Lynne Carper, Kathy Spence Johnson, Henry Solmer, Jane Hagstrom, John Olson, Rick Sewall, Bill Beyer, Marylou Nemanic

Minutes of the January meeting were accepted with some spelling corrections.

Treasurer's Report-We reviewed the spreadsheet Henry provided. The report was accepted.

Ted shared a Budget proposal for the new year. We reviewed the Revenue. There was discussion. Lynne will be getting the membership letter out which will provide revenue.

We reviewed the Expenses. The Motion to accept the Budget as submitted was approved.

Membership-Lynne reported the membership has increase by one.

Office Hours-We filled in dates through the next meeting. The next Board meeting is March 1.

Kathy reported there were two donations, A Depot Grand Opening video from 1971 and plaques from the family of Ernie Jacobson related to his involvement in the Lions Club. Ted donated a pin from Aquila School 2016.

ReEcho-Bill is working with Mark Toretzky on an article on Grocery Stores. It will be a 12 page edition.

Track Display update-John spoke to Rick Beane. The city does not have funds to help with the costs. Rick asked that placement does not interfere with mowing. We discussed funding. We might add a plea to the membership letter.

Research questions-Kathy reported people asking for school photos from Ethel Baston school photos, House research for 3000 Aquila, Peavey plaque.

There have been two inquiries about Century House plaques. Kathy will contact Wrap City Graphic about the current costs. The application is on the webpage. Ted suggested we compile a main list of houses that have plaques. Kathy will work on this.

Community Engagement-Bill will speak to the Linden Hills History Group this spring. We discussed the Scavenger Hunt proposal. Jane spoke with Nate at Parks and Rec and he said the best promotion is social media. We discussed recycling the "Locks" scavenger hunt.

Ted wrote a letter of Welcome to the new City Manager, Kim Keller. We will provide her with a complementary membership. We will collect her professional information for our files.

We would like to resume discussion with the city about a building. Include Cindy Walsh, Rick Beane, and the Parks and Rec Commission. We need to ask Rick Beane what work can be done on the Depot this year. Bill reminded us of the legislation that allow cities to use tax appropriations for Historical Societies.

Adjourned

Submitted, Kathy Spence Johnson, Secretary