

St. Louis Park Historical Society Board Meeting

November 1, 2022

Minutes

Attending: Ted Ekkers, President; Lynne Carper, Vice President; Henry Solmer, Treasurer; Trustees, John Olson, Doug Johnson, Rick Sewall, Bill Beyer (on Zoom), Kathy Spence Johnson, Secretary; Trustee, Mary Lou Nemanic.

Minutes-October meeting Minutes were accepted as written with typo correction.

Treasurer's Report-We reviewed the spreadsheet Henry provided. Insurance is paid for the year. We discussed some line items. Henry suggested we do a Year to Date versus Budget discussion next month. We discussed transferring money from the Building Fund to Checking before the end of the year. Report was accepted as submitted.

Membership Report-Lynne reviewed a handout he provided. Membership stands at 195. He is working on a business mailing. We discussed Planned Giving. There will be a January membership letter and we may add Planned Giving to this letter. Give to the Max is set up for this year.

We reviewed Office Hours. They are covered for the next few months.

Our next meeting is December 6, 2022.

There was discussion about not being able to get internet service at the office. Doug will check on this.

Kathy shared a research question from the High School Media Specialist. She asked for a volunteer to research this. Bill said he would do it.

Re-Echo-Bill shared that the next issue will be about two longtime families in the Park, The Markhams and the McDevitts. We no longer have a design editor. Bill will try the layout in Microsoft Word. We discussed asking for a volunteer in the new year.

Depot-Depot Signage-the QR decals are still coming. The Depot Open House October 22nd was a nice event. The Depot Lighting will be December 3, 5:30-6pm. Ted will bring refreshments. We discussed contacting the Sun Sailor about Give to the Max and the Depot lighting. Ted will contact them. We discussed having a regular schedule for the Depot Open House, as well as Monthly events with other activities.

We discussed future dates for presentations. Lynne explained the Lenox Building costs for presentations/classes. Rental for space for presentations is \$250. Class costs are negotiated, and profits split with Lenox. They will promote classes in their newsletter, the "Newscaster". There are deadlines to follow to be in the newsletter, November 15 to be in the Jan-Feb-Mar edition. Ted will contact Angie in the Senior Center office. We discussed best times for presentations, weekdays, Saturdays?

Ted provided information about the Arcadia Publishing idea. Ted will lead the project.

John shared that he was approached by the Elmwood Neighborhood about a dying tree by the Marie Hartmann plaque in Jorvig Park. John contacted Rick Beane. Parks and Rec will plant a new tree.

Kathy suggested we have a volunteer application on our website to help when people ask to be volunteers. She shared a draft which was approved by the board to go on the website.

Adjourned.

Respectfully submitted, Kathy Spence Johnson, Secretary