

St. Louis Park Historical Society Board Meeting

December 6, 2022

Minutes

Attending: Ted Ekkers, President; Lynne Carper, Vice President; Kathy Spence Johnson, Secretary; Henry Solmer, Treasurer; Trustees, John Olson, Jim Robbins, Doug Johnson, Jane Hagstrom. On Zoom; Bill Beyer, Rick Sewall, Many Lou Nemanic.

Minutes of November meeting were approved as written.

Treasurer's Report-We reviewed the report Henry provided. We discussed the sub-leasees being behind in rent. We will have a budget discussion next meeting which will be February. Doug will provide Jane with donors for thank you notes. We will discuss the Give to the Max Campaign.

Members Report-We reviewed the report Lynne provided. Membership is 197, plus three more tonight.

Office Hours- we reviewed the schedule for Office hours for coming weeks; Jan. 7-Bill, Jan 14-Rick, Jan 21-Jim, Jan 28-Mary Lou, Feb 4-Henry, Feb 11-Ted, Feb 18-Lynne, Feb-25-John, March 4-Doug, March 11-Jane, March 18-Rick.

We set the dates of our Board meeting for the Year; Jan 3-no meeting, Feb 7, March 7, April 4, May 2, June 6, July-no meeting, Aug 8, Sept 12-Annual Meeting, Oct 3, Nov 14, Dec 5.

Donations-Three maps from Claudia Johnson Madison, Jim shared someone has letters from Vietnam they want to donate.

Re-Echo-Bill is formatting this issue in Word. They will go out more quickly. He will provide PDF's for mailing out and the website.

Depot Lighting took place December 3, 2022. Our 8th Annual. There was a small crowd. We did post about it to Facebook.

Mary Lou's Presentation will take place March 20, from 6-7:30 at the Lenox Community Center. The title is "Documenting Everyday Life," family histories. There is a maximum of 40 people. It costs \$15 for members of Lenox and \$19 for others.

We need to plan Kathy's How to Research your House presentation.

The QR codes are installed on the Depot signs.

Kathy shared that other local Historical Societies are using Collective Access for cataloguing. This is an online option. We have become members of the Minnesota Alliance of Local History Museums in anticipation of joining Collective Access. MHS grants are available to set this up.

Hennepin History Museum has contacted us to see if we would want to do a joint project with them. Bill will follow up.

Kathy will do a presentation for the Women's Club Jan 3. The Holiday Train will be here December 13.

Adjourned. Respectfully submitted, Kathy Spence Johnson