

Meeting Minutes
St. Louis Park Historical Society
August 7, 2019

Attending: President: Ted Ekkers, Secretary: Jane Hagstrom, Treasurer: Henry Solmer, Trustees: John Olson, Rick Sewall, Bill Beyer, Members: Kathy Johnson, Diane Olson

GOVERNANCE:

Review of May minutes: The June Minutes were approved

Treasurers report: Not a lot of activity last month. Sub lease of second office is helping with rent.

Membership report: 230 Members.

Re-Echo Update: A correction was noted of the Schussler/Globe Mill photo. Next issue: Possible Back to School theme with a confirmed Memoir of Eliot school by local author. Next issue: end of October.

Office hours coverage:

8/10: Rick	9/7: Henry	10/5: Henry
8/17: John	9/14: Rick	10/12: John
8/24: Bill	9/21: Ted	10/19: Jim
8/31: Closed	9/28: Jane	10/26: Bill

Annual Meeting notice: Tuesday, September 10, 6:30 PM, Rec center meeting room, With SLP Native, Rebecca Bender, author to kick off the meeting, Ted will contact her. Jane & Jim to bring treats and beverage.

PRESERVE & HIGHLIGHT HISTORY:

Depot Book update: Bill

Modern Press came out with the best cost. Looking at printing 2500, 64 page booklets at \$2.60. Looking for local businesses to be sponsors of the print cost. Discussed selling to local realtors. For sale to the public for \$10. A motion was made and approved to move forward with booklet.

Something in the Water: reprinting of 3rd addition. Ted & Bill will look into price and number of copies.

Donations: none

COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

Parktaclar recap: Good attendance. Favorite icon: Roller Gardens and Bunny's

Depot Open House recap: Used Railroad books were sold: \$272 profit.

Minikhada Vista Neighborhood Night Out: Ted/Bill: Lots of engagement.

Restore Lilac Way/Rock Island (Garden) Update: Diane Olson. The Board accepted \$350 in funds from the Rock Island Project as their fiscal agent

EDUCATION & PROGRAMMING

Author/speaker idea: Rebecca Bender: Ted will contact Rebecca to open the Annual meeting in September

STRATEGIC PLANNING & FUNDRAISING:

Funding Ideas: Bill

Discussed avenues to explore for city funding including administrative help or permanent space.

Discussed physical space ideas including the building of a one-story building with public restrooms and park shelter utilizing Jorvig Park, Depot and surrounding space. Unknown how SWLRT impacts land use near the park. Bill and Ted to explore communication to the city.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned. The next meeting will be the Annual meeting on Tuesday September 10, 2019 at 7:30pm at the Rec.