

St. Louis Park Historical Society Board Meeting

March 1, 2022

Minutes

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

Minutes were accepted with one correction, Susan Lindgren School, not Aquila.

Treasurers Report-We reviewed the spreadsheet Henry provided. We discussed our rental income. Report was accepted as written.

Membership Report-There have been a few new members since the first of the year. The membership mailing will go out next week. 230 active members, 44 new and renewals.

Office Hours-We reviews the schedule. March 12-Henry, March 19 ?, March 26-Rick, April 2-Jane, April 9-Bill, April 16-Mary Lou, April 23-Lynne, April 30-Ted. Next Board Meeting, April 5.

New Donations-four 16in X 20in Aerials and assorted smaller ones, Book about movie theaters which includes Park Theater, Notecards with SLP photographs.

ReEcho-The finishing touches are being done. It will be 12 pages. Mark Toretzky has contributed to the Grocery Store Theme. Next issue will have a Firefighter theme. Kathy informed Bill there are volunteer fire department minute books at the depot. She will move them to the office.

There is no new development related to the tack display.

Website-Doug Johnson continues to clean up the website behind the scenes.

Research questions-Former student asking for class photographs Ethel Baston School, Designer asking for photographs for the remodel of Cub Foods at West End. They will be charged for these. Someone looking for St. Luke's records. Referred them to the synod headquarters. Someone asked about roller skating rinks. Turned out she was from St. Louis, MO. Park Knoll School Class photographs. Some donating another letter jacket, not here yet. Invitation to volunteer as a conductor at Minnesota Streetcar Museum. Curious Minnesota article about Jewish community clarification from article.

We discussed training for volunteers, room layout, projects for volunteers. We discussed creating a map. We will have a walkthrough of the room and where things are at a future meeting.

We discussed exploring grant options. Kathy will send Bill a link to the MHS Grant pages.

We discussed adding Fire Extinguishers to the office. We discussed what kind of extinguishers were necessary if there are special needs due to the collection materials. Kathy will check with MHS for recommendations. We will need to be trained on how to use them.

We will invest in two fire extinguishers and a motion was made and passed to spend up to \$100.

Adjourned. Respectfully submitted, Kathy Spence Johnson