

## St. Louis Park Historical Society Board Meeting

May 6, 2024

### Minutes

Attending-President, Ted Ekkers; Vice President, Lynne Carper; Secretary, Kathy Spence Johnson; Treasurer, Henry Solmer; Trustees, Bill Beyer, Doug Johnson, Scott Ross, Jim McDonough, Rick Sweall, Mary Lou Nemanic (on Zoom), Visitor, Maureen Gormley.

Minutes-The minutes were approved with two spelling corrections.

Treasurer's Report-We reviewed the spreadsheet Henry provided. Pay Pal is not reflected in the bank balance. The report was approved as presented.

Membership-We reviewed the report Lynne sent out. Lynne corrected the numbers from the previous report which said we had 170 members; it should have been 85 in March. We currently have 106 members. We discussed the decreasing membership. We reviewed some fundraising ideas.

Office Administration-Office Hours: May 11-Rick, May 18-Open House; May 25-Bill; June 1-Henry; June 8-Ted.

Kathy updated everyone on the Collective Access progress. Several of us Attended a Zoom training session with Ann Grandy. We will meet to do some inhouse training soon.

There were no donations in April.

Railroad Group-John reported plans to have events at the Depot in July, August, and September. He spoke to the new superintendent of Park who is going to review the recommendations in the Depot Grant review. John will meet with him again. Bill suggested the Depot get a sprinkler system. We can bring this to the city and look for grant funding.

Social media-Maureen shared the proposal she provided. We discussed other Social Media ideas. Doug will provide Maureen with Facebook admin access and access to the shared Google Drive.

Education and Programing-Bill update us on the June 2 walking tour of Skunk Hollow we are hosting with Hennepin History Museum. Expenses are expected to be \$400. Board members should sign up if they want to attend.

The Lenox Fair is June 11-Bill and John volunteered to sit at the table.

Parktacular is June 15, 1-6pm. Registration is \$39. Ted will order the new tent. We need to fill two shifts, Rick volunteered to be there 1pm-3pm, Bill, Scott will be there as well. Ted will set up early with John.

Next Meeting June 4, 2024. It is graduation that evening so parking may be challenging.

May 18<sup>th</sup> is the next Open House. Ted Asked Kathy to demo Collective Access.

Adjourned. Respectfully submitted, Kathy Spence Johnson