

St. Louis Park Historical Society Board Meeting

August 12, 2025

Minutes

Attending-President, Ted Ekkers; Vice President, Lynne Carper; Secretary, Kathy Spence Johnson; Treasurer, Henry Solmer (online); Trustees, John Olson, Rick Sewall, Doug Johnson, Jim McDonough, Scott Ross, Bill Beyer, Mary Lou Nemanic (online)

Minutes-We reviewed the Minutes Kathy sent out for the July meeting. They were approved with typo corrections.

Treasurer's Report-Ted reviewed the spreadsheet Henry provided. The new computer costs need to be added for next month. The report was accepted as submitted.

The Annual Meeting will be September 9, 2025. As we cannot get a room at the Rec Center without paying a fee, Ted suggested we have the meeting at the office. Jim suggested we try Lenox Community Center. John suggested we use the Byerlys Community Room. After some discussion we asked John to investigate space at Byerlys.

Office Hours-Aug 16-Lynne, Aug 23-Doug, September 6-Rick, Sept 13-Bill, Sept 20-Jim.

Collective Access-Kathy reported that we are adding new items to Collective Access weekly.

Donations-24 Photographs from the St. Louis Park School District Buildings, LP Recording of Gambles President's message to employees.

Re-Echo-Bill is working on the next issue with a Back-to-School theme.

Bill reported that he has completed the Land Acknowledge Statement. He had previously emailed it to us for comment. We discussed it and a motion was approved to adopt it and publish it on the website.

Bill and Ted attended National Night Out in the Minikahda Neighborhood and shared information about the history of the neighborhood and the Historical Society. They felt it was a worthwhile event.

Doug reported that the statistics from Facebook show our most popular posts were about the Skunk Hollow Walking Tours. Doug also shared the Google reports on the website.

Doug purchased McAfee security software for the new computer for \$25 per year.

John updated us on the Lenox Building 100th Anniversary. The group came to the office to look at photos and make scans. The main event is October 6th.

Ted shared plans for the Annual Meeting, September 9, 2025. He will recap the year, talk about Goals and Dreams. Kathy will bring some items to display.

Adjourned.

Respectfully Submitted, Kathy Spence Johnson