

St. Louis Park Historical Society Board Meeting

December 9, 2025

Minutes

Attending-This meeting took place on Google Meets due to a weather event.

Ted Ekkers, President; Lynne Carper, Vice President; Kathy Spence Johnson, Secretary; Henry Solmer, Treasurer; Trustees-John Olson, Rick Sewall, Bill Beyer, Jim Mac Donough, Scott Ross, Mary Lou Nemanic, Doug Johnson. Visitor Kathie Brown

The Minutes of the November meeting were approved.

Treasurer's Report-We reviewed the spreadsheet Henry Sent out. We discussed a donation form a business member. The "Give to the Max" campaign raised \$940. Henry asked Ted for the newest statement from PayPal. Henry will be out of town over the next few weeks but will set up autopay for the rent payment. Report accepted.

Membership-We have two new members this month for a total of 172 to date. Lynne is working with Scott on a business membership letter to go out in January. The general membership letter will go out in January as well.

Office Hours-12/13-Bill, 12/20-Scott, 12/27-closed, 1/3-Doug, 1/10-Rick

Board meeting dates for 2026-1/6, 2/3, 3/3, 4/7, 5/5, 6/9, 7/7, 8/11, 9/8, 10/6, 11/10, 12/1. We meet on the first Tuesday of the month. Some dates above have been changed due to conflicts like Election Day.

Donations-Kathy collected a sticker and a coaster from SOTA clothing, Marcie Cunningham donated a retirement plaque given to her husband Partick Cunningham a SLP Police Officer, 1966-1996, the plaque honors his work as the booking Sargent.

The family of teacher Irene Zimmer Peterson Nichols. She taught at Aquila and Susan Lindgren Elementary Schools. The items include yearbooks, poetry collections" Salamander Soup," Park Pride Button, Class Photographs, a plaque, and a Bicentennial Quilt.

Bill has been working with the Younger family about items they may donate from the building they own behind the old Pasttimes Arena.

The Re-Echo-Bill reported that the new issue highlights Housing in the Park.

Kathy is still looking for a Century House Plaque vendor.

Depot Lighting-The City installed new lights after the work they did painting the depot. The event was well attended. The Ambassadors helped serve cocoa and cookies. The candles were installed on the windowsills. Photographs of the event are posted on our Facebook page.

Adjourned.

Next meeting is January 6, 2025

Respectfully submitted, Kathy Spence Johnson. Secretary