

Sibley County Historical Society
700 Main Street
Henderson, MN 56044

Board Meeting Minutes

Thursday, September 26, 2024 – 5:30 p.m.

Attending: Joy Cohrs, Becky Briggs, Diane Fredin, Del Quast, Alice Strobel
Absent: Shirley Black, Verne Schlueter, Holly Harjes, Tom Frauendienst
Guest: Christian Lilienthal, Sibley County Commissioner, District 2

The September 2024 meeting was called to order by President Joy Cohrs at 5:30 p.m.

So he would not have to sit through more of our meeting than necessary, Commissioner Lilienthal opened with information about joining the Traverse des Sioux (TdS) Multi-type Library System. Discussion and questions followed. It was decided that at the present time we did not have personnel to undertake and manage the membership requirements. Commissioner Lilienthal also answered questions not related to TdS Multi-type but to Sibley County.

Agenda: Alice Strobel made a motion to approve the September 2024 agenda. Diane Fredin seconded. Motion approved.

Secretary's Report: Joy Cohrs made a motion to approve the August 2024 meeting minutes. Becky Briggs seconded. Motion approved.

Treasurer's Report: Tom was not in attendance, so no questions could be asked. After some discussion, Diane Fredin made a motion to approve the September treasurer's report. Becky Briggs seconded. Motion approved.

OLD BUSINESS:

1. Volunteers/Marie – If board members or anyone else we have contacted are interested in volunteering to guide at the museum, please let Marie Main know.
2. Doorbell – The first one purchased has been returned. Joy is looking for other options.
3. Grant update – The report by Engan Associates Architects of Willmar, MN has been completed and forwarded to the Minnesota Historical Society. The firm says that before the roof is replaced we need to repair the chimneys. Joy thinks we can do the additional work under one grant, and not have to apply twice.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. TdS membership – This was addressed at the beginning of the meeting.
2. Fall cleanup – Cleanup was scheduled for Saturday, October 5, with Saturday, October 12 as a backup day in case of rain on the 5th. Joy will ask Shirley to send a mass email about date & time.
3. Any other? – Diane requested newsletter articles about board members' memories of Christmas celebrations in our home towns be submitted ASAP. She said the cover of the newsletter dated October 1 will have the announcement/invitation for the SCHS Christmas open house.

Adjournment: Diane Fredin made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Del Quast seconded. Motion approved. The meeting was adjourned at 7:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Becky Briggs, substituting for Shirley Black, SCHS Secretary