

Sibley County Historical Society
700 Main Street
Henderson, MN 56044

Meeting Minutes
Thursday, January 26, 2023 5pm

Call meeting to order President Joy Cohrs at 5:00 pm.

Attending: Diane Fredin, Joy Cohrs, Becky Briggs, Holly Harjes, Verne Schlueter, Mike Reinhardt,
Tom Frauendienst Shirley Black

Guest: Sharon Haggemiller

Agenda: Approve/deny January agenda. Added additions of Grackle Days and School Books. Tom Frauendienst made a motion to approve the agenda with the additional topics, Shirley Black seconded the motion.

Minutes: Approve/deny November/December 2022 minutes. One correction is the date of the meeting on the report. The date of the rescheduled meeting was December 8th, not December 9th. Diane Fredin made a motion to approve the November/December minutes with the date correction. Holly Harjes seconded the motion. Passed.

Treasurer Report: Approve/deny January Treasurer Report. Diane Fredin made a motion to approve the January Treasurer report, while Becky Briggs seconded the motion. Passed.

Tom reviewed the treasury happenings.

- Tom provided copies of emails from the donations of \$15,000 and \$5,000. The emails provided directives of how they want those donations utilized.
- NOTE...the expenses are exceeding the income.
- On the treasurer's report there was an entry for Rent Expenses. Tom will look it up and report back at the February meeting.
- Sales Tax has been filed.
- Tom has completed the 990-N form
- The SCHS Treasury Audit has been completed and will be presented @ the annual meeting.
- Discussion: Keep track of the spending of the donations. This has been the protocol of donations and in the past and will continue with these donations.

Old Business:

Newsletter- Do we have articles assigned? Verne Schlueter's article is done. Becky and Shirley's article will be forthcoming. Articles are needed prior to the March deadline of the next newsletter production.

Update on signs: Museum outdoor sign drafts were shown to everyone. There was a large option and a smaller option. After discussion, the 4' x 6' colored Aluminum Core sign which is \$495 for each sign was liked by all. The plan is to have two signs positioned so that you can see a sign whether coming in from the west or the east. The Company will install the sign for \$75/hour. Mike Reinhardt made a motion to approve two signs at \$495 per sign, along with the installation to be done by the company at \$75 per hour. Tom Frauendienst second the motion. Passed. It was voiced that we should make sure we have rights to the logo.

New Business:

Annual Meeting- 1. speaker: Joy reviewed the work she did on seeking out a possible speaker for the annual meeting. The list of speakers included Stephen Osman (he will be out of the country), Doug Ohman (\$500 fee-Topic Return of the remains of Little Crow), Curtis Dahlin (\$40 fee). After discussion Verne Schlueter's idea of a concertina maker (continuing on with the Fair's Music Theme) received everyone's approval and Verne was asked to proceed.

Annual Meeting- 2. Venue: Hahn's has been reserved for April 23rd. Hahn's will be charging us \$9.00 per meal. We will charge \$15.00 per meal.

It was discussed that we should sell items at the annual meeting. Items include:

1. SCHS Shirts (Sharon showed us the shirts.)
2. Books

New items taken in without approval: Please stop taking in items without approval. There is an intake protocol and this should be followed.

Newspaper microfilm: Eldrene Ebert was given the approval to move forward with the microfilm project/MN Historical Society. Joy Cohrs, RuthAnn Buck and Eldrene Ebert will meet to discuss what to do with the newspaper.

Update on computers/Past Perfect-Mike: Mike Reinhardt reviewed the Museum's Past Perfect Upgrades. A representative from Sibley County has been working on computer upgrades.

County Fair- any ideas for theme: Holly provided us a 2023 Sibley County Fair plan. Copy is attached. All agreed to Holly's plan.

Henderson Chamber Window: Chamber is looking for a display. Approval given for volunteers to do a display. The chamber is also looking for items to put into chamber bags. Sharon shared with us the items she will be putting into the bag (Museum brochure).

Hilltop School Teacher is looking for items for their Pioneer Days Program. Mike Reinhardt will email the teacher.

Board Member Terms: The board member terms were reviewed. We do have one open position which was not filled last year. Diane will put in a Board Member needed article in the upcoming newsletter.

Workshop Day at the museum for board members/volunteers. Joy Cohrs will organize this. One item on the day is to review the books that volunteers have isolated as duplicates, not needed for the collection, etc.

Next Meeting is February 16th @ 5:00 (not February 23rd).

Adjournment –The meeting was adjourned at 6:40 pm. Unanimously agreed.

Respectfully Submitted

Shirley Black, SCHS Secretary

2023
County Fair

Title Communications

Artifacts From
Museum

1. can you spell it backwards
2. Letter cards: race to arrange (Cards in envelopes)
Compete w/ a friend

Displays Through the years

I. telephones
+ operator's board
from village

Kit. Wall phone
II. telegraph
Letters
photo old PO
unit from
New Rome PO counter

III. Cameras
tin photos

IV. radios

V. typewriters
adding machines

VI. Bells - per animal
dinner Δ
Kids Activity

VII. Our books for Sale

XIV. "Museum donation" for
pictures from attic
w/ great frames and
NO ID info

\$5
\$10
\$15

700 Shirts

Organization

VIII. Visitor sign-in
table

IX. Nail Craft
activity
donate
plastic bags
paper
penc

X. Becky's
Photos

XI. Guess Stem
paper/pencils

XII. Volunteer
scheduling

XIII. No smoke
signaling

XV.

Feather tree
simple decorations

advertize Holiday
at the Museum
2023
2 Sunday
in Jan