

MINUTES FOR THE JANUARY 23, 2024 BOARD MEETING

Attending: Carmine Boal, Lyn Van De Pol, Jim Nervig, JoAnn Adamson, Lois O'Donnell, Asa Hutton, JoEllen Nervig, Rob Logan, Norm Mc Cleary, Tom Quinlin, Sue Hutton Davidson, Jim Brazelton, Joe Pitts, Sandy McClure, Alexa Middleton, Joey Beech, Deb Groff and Rosemary Hutton Taylor

The meeting was called to order at 6:32 p.m. by co-president JoAnn Adamson. Introductions were made.

Minutes: Minutes from the November 28, 2023, monthly meeting were reviewed. Motion by Sue Hutton Davidson and 2nd by Rob Logan to approve the minutes. Motion carried.

Treasurer's Report: The treasurer's monthly report (January 1 thru January 22, 2024), along with Balance sheet ending January 22, 2024, and the Profit & Loss Budget vs Actual Statement (January 1 – January 22, 2024) were reviewed. See attached sheets. Motioned was made by Tom Quinlin, 2nd by Jim Brazelton to approve report. Motion carried.

Tom Quinlin and Rob Logan will be on the audit committee and after setting a date for the audit, will let Sandy know the date.

We now have a Sales Tax Exempt card from Menards. If purchasing items from Menards for the society please use the card so we are not charged sales tax.

Office Manager's Report: See attached sheet.

Office Manager's report was reviewed. Sandy also mentioned that she is working on the newsletter and an Annual Events Calendar for 2024. A group from Vintage will be touring at 10:30 am on February 13.

New Business:

- A. Tornado Display Update: Night at the Museum will be held on June 18, the date of the tornado. The display will be up by the 1st of June. Rob's pizza will be again at the Night of the Museum.
- B. Committee sign-ups 2024 – Lois reviewed the committees and who has been placed on that committee. (see attached sheet) Committees are to report back to the board.
- C. Snow removal on house/barn sidewalks was discussed.
- D. FYI: A-Tech is only in charge of security not the cameras. Rosemary takes care of the cameras.

Old Business:

- A. Jim Brazelton gave a report for Pumpkins 2024 Fundraisers. He outlined the major functions involved in the fundraiser.
 - Buy seed & secure location.
 - Historical Society to buy seeds & planting again at Linda's
 - Etch and deliver pumpkins to business.
 - Jim and Elaine will take care of this function
 - Cut, load, deliver and unload at museum
 - Make sure there are pumpkins for Pumpkins & Pints at the Amp on September 28 and work with the Uptown Garage event
 - Money collections

- It was the consensus of the group that the money should be collected every night.
- B. Cookie Sales: Credit card tickets (32) - \$640.00, Cash tickets (51) - \$1,020.00, Day of event (QR Code) - \$20.000, Day event – cash sales - \$651.00 for a total of \$2,031.00
- C. Ankeny’s Sesquicentennial (2025) Process: Theme- “Ankeny 150 Years.” It will be SummerFest Weekend 2025 with the parade in the morning. We will be selling Chicken Barbecue tickets. HyVee will be doing the catering. And it will be held at the AMP. We will have to rent table and chairs, a big screen for the video that is being made for the occasion and provide liability insurance. We will have open house for the house and barn that day. No other special activities have been planned for the historical society as of yet.
- D. Lois reported that the window film has been installed at the barn.
- E. Rob Logan reported that Sustainability & Fundraising committee members are looking at a Foundation Saving Plan with the Des Moines Foundation. The DM Foundation has a rep that lives here in Ankeny and the Ankeny Art Center uses the DM Foundation. With the DM Foundation we would have full access to our money.
- F. Norm McCleary under Building Maintenance to add finish painting of the barn. He has painted 24’ up so far but will need a lift to finish.

Future, Long-term Projects: -

- A. Uptown Main Street America effort (historical data, stuff) & bike trail enhancements (historical stuff??) – Sue Hutton Davidson, JoAnn Adamson and Janet Willey will be on this committee. Alexa Middleton is the Uptown person in charge. A meeting is being planned for January 31 with the city.
- B. Partnering with “The District” officials for signage honoring former land owners – on hold.
- C. Partnering for events: Bingo night at the Legion Hall, Ankeny Trivia night, Park picnic, food trucks, etc. JoAnn Adamson said to wait till January to discuss these. No discussion was held at this meeting.

Motion to adjourn by JoEllen Nervig, 2nd by Asa Hutton. Motion passed.

Rosemary Hutton Taylor, Secretary