

MINUTES FOR THE JULY 25, 2023 BOARD MEETING

Attending: Sandy McClure, Lois O'Donnell, Jim Nervig, Carmine Boal, Sue Hutton Davidson, JoAnn Adamson, JoEllen Nervig, Rob Logan, Rosemary Hutton Taylor, John Jensen, Joan Jensen, Bob Fontana, Joe Pitts, Will Moore, Evan Albaugh, Luke Moore, Asa Hutton, and Elaine Brazelton.

Co-President JoAnn Adamson brought the meeting to order at 6:35 p.m.

Minutes: Minutes from the June 27, 2023 meeting were reviewed. Motion by Joan Jensen and 2nd by Asa Hutton to approve the minutes. Motion carried.

Treasurer's Report: The treasurer's monthly report (June 19 – July 19, 2023), along with Balance sheet ending July 19, 2023, and the Profit & Loss Budget vs Actual Statement (January 1 – July 19, 2023) were reviewed. See attached sheets. Motioned by JoEllen Nervig, 2nd by Sue Hutton Davidson to approve report. Motion carried.

Office Manager's Report: See attached sheet. Sandy reported a group will be touring on August 19 and may need extra volunteers to host the open house that day. Rosemary volunteered to help that day. A reminder that the Young Professionals will be coming in September. It was decided to be closed on Sunday, September 3rd (Labor Day Weekend).

New Business:

- A. Results of SummerFest open house was 36 visitors that day. DAR meeting at the museum had about 12 show up. They plan to come back in November. A review of some of the Uptown events coming this fall. We will not be having Santa this year.
- B. A review of the Endowment motion made at the Board meeting was read.
- C. Pumpkins – John Jensen reported that Max Bechtol had taken photos of the pumpkins planting progress. Elaine Brazelton sent around a sheet for people to help with pumpkins, etching, picking, and hauling. Joan suggested asking a Boy Scout troop to help with pumpkins and Bob Fontana will bring some of his Centennial Basketball players to help.
- D. Evan Albaugh and Liz Ernst are working on the mining display, computer signage, and Oralabor settlement.
- E. Displays – Rosemary Hutton Taylor reported that in the summer of 2024 will be the 50th anniversary of the deadly tornado and the A-Hawk. The tornado display will be temporarily in the barn. And the A-Hawk will be in the school area. We have been asked to help with putting artifacts on display in the Neveln building board room. JoAnn has several items to take over. Rosemary will work on getting artifacts pertaining to the building at a later time.
- F. Nomination Committee for 2024 - Carmine Boal and Sue Hutton Davidson volunteered to be on this committee. We will need at least 4 – 5 new members.

Old Business:

1. RAGBRAI was discussed. The Jensen's will be bringing a tractor and wagon with shell corn for a photo op. Burma Shave signs will be made and placed on Cherry Street and around town. Candy bars and ice cream bars will be purchased and sold for \$4. Plan to be open at 10 am to 5 or 6 pm.
2. Ankeny Sesquicentennial (2025) committee will be meeting with the city after RAGBRAI.
3. Heritage Corner was discussed. Bob Fontana suggested we look at the football stadium and how they did their bricks.

Future, Long-term Projects: - were not discussed,

1. Partnering with "The District" officials for signage honoring former land owners – This is a project that John Stratton is pursuing.
2. Partnering for events: Bingo night at the Legion Hall, Ankeny Trivia night, Park picnic, food trucks, etc. – These were put on hold since we are not ready to proceed.

Motion to adjourn by Bob Fontana, 2nd by JoEllen Nervig. Motion passed.

Next business meeting to be held on Tuesday, August 22nd at 6:30 p.m.

Rosemary Hutton Taylor, Secretary