

Wayne Historical Commission

April 12, 2010

Minutes

Present: Ed McMurray, Art Carpenter, Sharon Arthur, Lois VanStipdonk, Darlene Hawley, Jim Doletzky

Excused: Louise Steinhauer

Also Present: Richard Story, Matthew Miller

The meeting was called to order at 10:05 a.m. by Vice-Chairperson Art Carpenter.

The agenda was approved with the addition of 6.A. Meeting Schedule

Ed McMurray moved, seconded by Art Carpenter to approve the minutes of the March 8, 2010 meeting. Motion carried.

Old Business:

Prouty & Glass Buggy: The Amish work person has not looked at the pictures yet.

AASLH Grant: There is still no new information on the website.

Paula Meyer: Ms. Meyer was presented with a resolution from City Council thanking her for her work as an intern.

City of Wayne 50th Anniversary: The City will bury a time capsule on July 6th in front of the Museum, near the urn. Harry Will Funeral Home has donated the capsule and possibly also the plaque. The Historical Society will hold its annual ice cream social on the same date from 5:00 P.M. to 8:00 P.M. in conjunction with the burial of the time capsule. Please notify Matt if you have any thoughts about what should be buried in the capsule. Members of the Commission will be asked to man the Museum, with talking point papers to be developed to assist them.

History in a Box: Darlene has four more schools to visit: Jefferson-Barnes, Lincoln, St. Matthew and St. John Lutheran. The teachers have been very appreciative, the students enthused and the school staff is asking when Darlene can return next year to repeat the program. She also plans to present the program to a third grade class whose school did not participate last year.

State Library: Art Carpenter wrote letters to the governor and state legislators requesting that the State Library be kept open, despite budget shortfalls.

New Business:

Meeting schedule: Sharon Arthur moved, seconded by Darlene Hawley to retain the present monthly meeting schedule. Motion carried. Members of the Commission will bring ideas of future projects and activities that can be helpful to the Museum to the next meeting. The matter will be revisited after July 1, 2010.

Manager's Report:

In addition to his written report, Richard announced that he had received a telephone call from the National Film Foundation concerning his grant application. The application was being reviewed and Richard was asked to select two reels from the four submitted to be considered. The reviewer indicated our chances were good for being selected; the decision would be made in July and would take at least a year to be completed. The Wayne Library cooperated with a letter of support and will help to circulate the films once they have been transferred to digital format.

The Museum may be becoming too crowded to be used as a regular meeting place for the Historical Society.

City Planner's Report:

The Historical Marker Program has been stalled by the State, although Eastern Michigan University is willing to take it over. The contact at the University is also looking for another intern to work on a project for the Museum. At the present time, someone with an expertise in display design would be ideal. Sharon Arthur will contact a neighbor that she believes may be willing to assist.

Art Carpenter moved, seconded by Darlene Hawley to adjourn the meeting at 10:50 A.M. The next meeting will be May 10, 2010.

Notes taken by Lois VanStipdonk