

WAUPACA HISTORICAL SOCIETY BOARD NOV. 2, 2017

Meeting called to order by Dennis at 5:15 p.m Silent roll call taken. Present: Dennis Lear, JJ, Marge Witt, Tracy Behrendt, Jeff & Nancy Weasner, Brian Godfrey, Ashlie Buck, Mike Kirk, Ron Arthur, Lori Chesnut, Dave Trombla & Betty Stewart. Excused Kent Pegorsch Minutes Reviewed. Two corrections made to the 2017 Annual Membership Meeting....P. 1..“terms needing renewal for 3 years are: Nancy Weasner, Kent Pegorsch, Ron Arthur & Ashlie Buck”. Depot Report “800 more visitors than last year”.

Nancy motioned that the Annual Meeting (with corrections) & Oct. 5 Minutes be approved, JJ seconded, all approved.

Agenda: OK REPORTS:

Mike-Depot: Lisa B. has been working on the Depot basement paintings. I suggest that we have a recognition/dedication for her work. Water heater installed & I want to add a shut off valve. Worked on downed trees. Cody will take the wood & brush. He wants to work on the Mil.caboose & play as santa claus too. Waupaca Machine looked at the Depot for a railing & he also looked at brake parts for the potato car. Need to check the snowblower. Soo Line “mini HO” trains cost \$15. & we could sell them for \$20. 4 styles were shown to us. Discussion.

Director's Report: See Report. Dave Johnson offered to purchase all of the wish list items noted in the Reporter Newsletter. Thanks Dave.

Treasurer: Dave reported his computer problems with the Financial Report.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS: Review & changes for curator's position duties & the want ad. JJ motioned OK, Mike seconded, Send it to the newspaper, website & WDUX. All approved.

Review of meeting room application, uses & policy. Discussion, changes, all approved. Linda Kirk cleaned the Holly Center carpet, so no need for Stearns to do it. Dennis reported that the furnace at HH had problems. Wesley & Chuck Joos checked it, drained & cleaned it, it is OK now. Ron Reports he did not purchase any items at the auction.

NEW BUSINESS: Thanksgiving week – Holly Center will be open Wednesday, but closed the Friday after. Jerry Chappell's article on potato industry-encourage him to finish it. Discussion. Jeff asked for gutters to be installed further away from the Holly Center. Jeff states the Depot will be open Fri., Sat. & Sun after TX from Noon to 5 pm and every Saturday in Dec. Noon to 5 pm.

Adjourn

Betty Stewart
Recording Secretary

Director's Board Report
Waupaca Historical Society
November 2, 2017

We have some great programs coming up. We are still looking for sponsors for our programs in 2018:

Thursday, November 9th at 6 p.m.: "Thousand-Miler: Adventures Hiking the Ice Age Trail" with author Melanie McManus (**SPONSOR: IATA WAUPACA CHAPTER, ADVENTURE OUTFITTERS**)

Thursday, December 7th at 6 p.m.: "Christmas on the Farm" with author Jerry Apps (**SPONSOR: BOOK CELLAR, MARGE WRITT**)

Thursday, January 18th at 6 p.m.: "Remembering the Battle of the Bulge" with Eric Percy

Thursday, February 22nd at 6 p.m.: "Beekeeping" with Kent Pegorsch

Thursday, March 15th at 6 p.m.: "Putting Down Roots: Historic Gardening in Wisconsin" with author Marcia Carmichael

With two WHS programs and various other projects, October was certainly a busy month! The October 12th Paint and Sip event at the Depot was a hit, and several attendees asked for another Paint and Sip this winter. We had 17 people attend the program (at \$30 per ticket). Minus the cost of supplies, we raised \$259.04—a great fundraiser!

I attended the Local History Conference in La Crosse from October 19th through October 21st. The topics of my sessions included membership, speaker series and programs, digitizing your records and archival processing. All sessions were especially helpful and provided some great ideas that I hope to implement in the coming year.

We had 10 rentals in October and have another two rentals or tours in November. We also have three new groups meeting regularly at the Holly Center, starting in November—the Badger's Den Brewing Club, the former Waupaca Community Arts Center knitting group and Friends of Hartman Creek State Park. Thank you to everyone that assists with the opening and closing of buildings and set-up for rentals!

The Fall/Winter newsletter went out via mail and email. Thank you JJ for your help with the newsletter! I am just finished putting together an exhibit in the meeting room on the history of each of our buildings. This will hopefully be of interest to people renting or utilizing the Cynthia Holly Room.

Artifact donations continue to trickle and the piles on my shelves continue to get bigger. I plan on using much of my time this winter to catalog and hopefully make a dent in these piles!

Respectfully submitted,

Tracy Behrendt
Director, WHS