Sibley County Historical Society 700 Main Street Henderson, MN 56044

Meeting Notes Thursday, December 1, 2022 5pm*

*Note: Due to inclement weather and unfavorable road conditions, the Nov/Dec meeting was postponed and held on **Thursday, December 8, 2022 at 5:00 pm**

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 Haggenmiller

Agenda: Approve/deny December agenda. Holly Harjes made a motion to approve the agenda, Tom Frauendienst seconded the motion. Passed.

Minutes: Approve/deny October 2022 minutes. Tom Frauendienst made a motion to approve the October minutes. Verne Schleuter seconded the motion. Passed.

Treasurer Report: Approve/deny December Treasurer Report. Tom reviewed the treasury happenings. We

- Donation of \$5,000 from Marie Renneke
- Bills:
 - MN Historical Society \$35.00
 - Alarm Company 1 year \$ 900
 - Question on the Frontier Bill. We had gotten rid of a line. Tom will make sure it was taken off the bill.
 - Ancestry Bill was discussed.
 - o Plunkets Bill was discussed.

Shirley Black made a motion to approve the December Treasurer report, while Becky Briggs seconded the motion. Passed.

Old Business

<u>Painting Project:</u> Dick apologized for not getting the painting completed in fall.

<u>Signs:</u> Handicap Signs. Joy showed us some of the different signs. We liked the bigger blue sign.

<u>Outside sign – update by Joy Cohrs:</u> We are still looking for a higher resolution of our logo.

New Business:

<u>December Newsletter & Next Newsletter discussion:</u> Holly Harjes reported that the December newsletters were all mailed out. A thank you was given to Diane for her hard work on the newsletter. Writers are needed for the next newsletter:

Volunteers: Continuation of the This Old House articles: Shirley Black – Porch; Becky Briggs – Gov. Room; Verne Schlueter – Rush River

To be included in the next newsletter: Annual Meeting

<u>Voting Booth from New Auburn:</u> We had discussion around protocols.

<u>Items to sell not accession:</u> Arlene/Marie – maybe use them to raise money at the fair? Would need to Assemble and Review Items.

<u>Annual Meeting</u>- Discussion on the date, place, and time. Annual meeting is to be held the 4th week of April. April 23rd will be the date we will try for. Joy Cohrs will check with Tracy @ Hahn's in Winthrop to see if that is available, costs, etc.

<u>Poehler objects to be used for summer display- informational:</u> There is a suggestion to have a summer display on the Poehler genealogy.

<u>Collections Committee report:</u> We discussed the report in detail. Diane Fredin made a motion to accept the recommendations on the Collections Committee report. This was seconded by Tom Frauendienst.

<u>Marcia Parrot – Henderson Chamber:</u> Marcia was in attendance to show the board the new Henderson Christmas Ornament which features the Museum. The Cost for the ornament is \$25.00. After discussion we agreed to be a selling outlet for the ornament. Diane Fredin made a motion to approve selling the ornament. Tom Frauendienst seconded the motion. Shirley will place the ornament information on the Museum's facebook page. Mike will work with getting it on the Museum's website.

75th **Anniversary of the Museum:** Arlene has brought up the 75th Anniversary of the Museum and possibly doing something to commemorate the anniversary. Discussion followed on when to do this. In 1940 the SCHS was founded. 1948 – the Museum was purchased. Memorial Day 1949 the Museum opened.

The following minutes were recorded by Becky Briggs, since secretary Shirley Black had to leave the meeting for another commitment.

<u>Log Cabin</u> – we continued the conversation about the hole in the log cabin wall and the nest inside. No decision was made about how to fill the hole, or who will remove the nest.

<u>Christmas Decorations</u> - Mike reported that he and Lowell put up outdoor decorations. The battery candles still need to be put in windows. The batteries will need to be replaced and many batteries will

be needed. Joy will check on batteries and hopefully have them by Tuesday. Holly and Susan may be at the museum and able to help.

<u>New Mailbox</u> - Joe Strobel built a mailbox for the museum office. Joy commented that a thank you should be sent. Not apparent if anyone offered to do that.

<u>Ancestry Subscription</u> - There was a discussion about the Ancestry subscription. We currently have both U. S. and World. Eldrene does not think it is worth keeping the World Ancestry portion as it is not often used. Ruth Ann will be asked her opinion. Tom will check on costs.

<u>Computers</u> - Joy gave an update on the computers given SCHS by Sibley County. They are little or no improvement over the ones we have currently. Sibley County IT employee Brian came to evaluate our computer situation and gave Joy some feedback about our needs and specs to look for. Joy will check prices for new computers. Microsoft will stop supporting Windows 10 in 2025, we need to upgrade to Windows 11. To pay for new computers, it was felt that the donation from Marie Renneke could be used for that purpose. Also, Joy said Eldrene might have some funds left over from Charles Meyer's last donation, and that could also be used for new computers.

<u>Past Perfect</u> - Mike distributed a cost estimate for upgrading Past Perfect. Brian from IT recommends we upgrade Past Perfect before we get new computers. Cost quoted for the upgrade was \$1739.00.

<u>Genealogy/Research Room business</u> - No Research Committee members were present for this discussion, but info was shared by board members from conversations with the research volunteers and observation:

- Obits are being scanned and put into the computer. The hope is to have a name index online. Viewers can find an obit they would like, and contact the research committee to order a copy. There is hope this could be a revenue source.
- There was discussion about saving vs. throwing old newspapers. No decision was made. Joy wondered about rearranging the current storage setup. Holly and Joy will check.
- Eldrene and Ruth Ann will determine which Sibley County newspapers we currently have on microfilm, and what might be available to purchase from the MNHS to fill in the gaps. A donation from Charles Meyer is being used to fund this.
- The Gaylord library has given us their microfilms of the Gaylord Hub.
- It was also mentioned that the Arlington library might be getting rid of their newspaper microfilms.

Re-visit the pest control issue – Tom asked if the Plunkett rep had been to the museum or contacted anyone. No one had seen her. She was to have dropped some information off with Holly and did not do that. Tom will contact her one more time, and if sill no action may contact Orkin instead.

Joy will talk to Arlene about the method to use for moth control.

Furnace – There was brief discussion about the furnace filter.

<u>Donation by Holly</u> – Holly offered men's shoes from 1911 worn by Roger's father at his wedding. She took them back home and will offer them through the collections committee, as the board thought they were appropriate to accept.

<u>Adjournment</u> – Becky made a motion the meeting be adjourned, second by Holly. The meeting was adjourned at 6:28 pm.

Respectfully Submitted

Shirley Black, SCHS Secretary

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