

CALL TO ORDER:

Chairwoman Nancy Knick called the meeting to order at 7:01 pm.

INTRODUCE NEW STUDENT COMMISSIONER-Zack Merritt

ROLL CALL:

All members were present.

AMEND/CORRECT & APPROVE AGENDA:

Motion by Lorraine, 2nd by Bridget. All approved.

APPROVE MINUTES FROM 12/20/2022:

Motion by Sandy, 2nd by Barb. All approved.

FINANCIAL REPORT FOR ESCROW ACCOUNT:

Escrow balance is \$15,536.61. We paid \$655.76 for the tent. \$40.00 going in, not yet recorded. \$20.00 for sale of chair at garage sale. Motion by Bridget, 2nd by Betty. All approved.

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

Charles: Sliders are under the new cabinet. Work has started on the porches. Keep up the good work. Start to make plans for the inside & for the garage sales.

CHAIR'S COMMENTS:

Happy New Year to all. All of us need to do a lot of work to get the Museum ready. Betty is going to go through the old papers & save what is needed. Zack is going to use the Go-Pro with Betty. Maria brought a copy of Michigan in Perspective newsletter. They are interested in doing a story on the Museum restoration.

DONATIONS:

None.

ELECTION OF VICE-CHAIR: VOTING REQUIRED.

Barb was nominated by Karen, 2nd by Bridget. All approved.

UPDATE IN EVENTS/PROGRAMS:

- a. Garage Sale at Community Center—June 16, after the Beer & Wine Tasting. High school student set up tables for that event.
- b. Christmas Tea—cancelled. We did not lose our deposit from December. We can have a tea in the spring.

UPDATE ON MUSEUM—MARK KIBBY.

The painters are not able to tint the encapsulating paint, so the color is off-white. The porches will have a rolled roof cover. There will be railings on the porches & steps. All the wood will be painted white. Mark will be putting in for a grant for new windows for \$50,000. We will save the original window that is in the office, putting it on display in the Museum.

NEW BUSINESS:

- a. Re-opening a bricked in door on the Englewood porch. There would be too much re-

configuring on the inside to make this feasible.

- b. Resurfacing wood floors throughout the Museum. We would prefer this rather than a new sign. Mark will look at getting a grant to get the floors done.
- c. Outside Museum Sign. Mark sent a picture of a proposed new sign that was all white with black identification, plastic rails & new letters. We would like electricity to the sign, the gazebo and also the tree. Mark to look to a grant for this.
- d. Form a plan on selling the items not coming back into the Museum. We need to go through all items in the pods to sell at garage sale.
- e. Form plan on bringing the items back into the Museum. We can't do this until the floors are done. Maria worked with the Plymouth Historical Society's archive system. She will look into this system for us.
- f. Form a plan on set-up inside of Museum. Example: Police/Fire Room-stay in the same room or change rooms. Barb said we should keep the manikins, they are antique. Zack suggested having a Founding Families room. Betty has a rope bed & dressers that are original to the house for a bedroom setup.

OLD BUSINESS:

- a. By-Laws-Scott. Changes are:
 - 1. Article IV Sec. 2. Officers elected at annual meeting in December instead of November.
 - 2. Treasurer-Sec. 3. Omit status of Commission budget (101-803-701-000).

COMMISSIONERS COMMENTS:

Bridget-Welcome Maria & Zack.

Lorraine-Our meeting was very productive tonight.

Ray-Happy New Year.

Maria-Moro's Restaurant is closing, they may have artifacts to donate to the Museum.

ADJOURNMENT:

Motion by Karen 2nd by Lorraine. All approved. Meeting was adjourned at 8:28 pm.

Respectfully submitted

Lorraine Powell

Secretary

Next regular Historical Commission meeting is Tuesday, February 21, 2023 at 7:00 pm at City Hall.