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MUSEUM BOARD MINUTES

September 15, 2022 – 6:30pm
Fenton Museum

Chairperson Vizard called the meeting to order at 6:30 pm

ROLL CALL

Present: Tippet, Vizard, Sage, Seibert, Wheeler, Adair

Absent: D. Seger

Others Present: Jason Payne, Building/Zoning Administrator

MINUTES

Motion by Sage, Supported by Wheeler, to approve the minutes from July 21, 2022
Motion Carried

OLD BUSINESS

- 1. Porch Repairs**
- 2. Finishing the Upstairs Space**
- 3. Removal of old AC units**

Jason Payne stated that there is a meeting scheduled for Wednesday, September 21st regarding these items with himself, Sean Sage, Brad Alvord, Lynn Markland, and Mickey Vizard to discuss getting these items done in a bid spec, so there will be a more defined plan as to what the cost will be and bids can be done. Once we have that figure, we will be able to go to City Council during the Budget process and possibly get this funded. Payne asked the Board if they wanted any other items added to the bid spec. Wheeler added that the ramp, concrete, and siding should also be added, along with the down spouts and gutters because in the winter the sidewalks get iced over from the down spouts flooding the area. Also, everything should be properly sealed and climate controlled.

Sage stated he has been talking with the City Manager a lot about what the Board's vision is for the Museum. He added that he has also looked into the cost of a climate controlled storage unit to place items in while renovations are being done. He stated we need to utilize all monies given

to the Museum Board every year so it doesn't go unused and given back to the City. He suggested that we could use this storage unit to place items in during renovations and keep it for future use when deciding what is relevant and what is not. He asked about itemization of items and if we had one. Wheeler stated they do have books with details of items, as well as lists of inventory on the computer. He also suggested that once renovations begin, the building should be completely emptied out at which time a thorough cleaning of everything can be done after work is completed. Then when it is time to place items back, we can have it set up and displayed differently to give it a new look.

It was also discussed that once we have an exact amount of what the costs will be in getting everything done, the Board could look into getting money from the DDA and possibly getting some grant money. Tippet and Adair stated they could look into the grant monies.

Sage also talked about the old Train Depot and possibly getting that listed as a historical building and using that in the future.

4. Update on Current Budget/funds

Nothing new had been posted to the Expenditures as of this date. Updated line items will be recorded for the next meeting.

NEW BUSINESS

1. Repairs to the flag pole holders on porch.

Jason Payne said he would have Jon Staisil take a look at the holders and having them replaced.

CALL TO AUDIENCE

No one this evening.

ADMINISTRATIVE ITEMS

Payne presented the memorial suggestion for Ken Seger from Martha Hyypio-Irin who would like to do a large rock with a memorial plaque on it and possibly place it in one of the flower beds in front of the museum. After some discussion, the board decided to let Donna Seger make the final decision.

MEMBER ITEMS

Bev Tippett wanted to acknowledge Mickey Vizard's great work he has been doing on the Facebook page. There has been a lot of nice postings and comments. She also announced the times and dates for the Ghost Walk this year.

Also announced was the date for the next Board meeting which will be held November 17th.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:15 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by,

Linda Davis

Recording Secretary