

Iola Historical Society

Board Meeting Minutes, April 25, 2022

All seven board members were present. Cliff called the meeting to order at 5:30pm.

Reviewed the meeting minutes from March. Lee pointed out that the Girl Scouts will be helping at both the Memorial Day event and Strawberry Fest.

Motion made to accept the meeting minutes, Tom, second by Sarah, Motion Passed.

Treasurer's report from Tom ... Nothing outstanding. A little low on cash. Expenses include our share for the AED device (working with Iola Lions Club), new brochures and the Window publication. Lee mentioned a new business in Iola named Dragon Flies & Daisies. They have a jar where they are collecting change for our historical society.

Motion made to accept the Treasurer's report, Lee, second by Bonny. Motion Passed.

Cliff,

- Friday April 29 is National Historical Marker Day. Greg plans to work on marker maintenance, so please contact him if you would like to help.
- On Monday May 2, 5:30pm, the Lions Club will hold their monthly meeting in the Machine Shed. After dinner, Lee & Sue will give a tour of the schoolhouse. The rest of the buildings will be open too, so docents will be needed.
- On Wednesday May 4, the high school honor society will be holding their spring community cleanup day. A crew will be sent to our facilities, and the riverbank will be cleared of brush in addition to other work around the grounds.
- Monday May 16 is Lions Club work night.
- Sometime in May, the rest of the pathway in the courtyard will be completed. Tom will contact Brian. Cliff is working with Lashua.
- 9am Tuesday June 28 is Car Show goodie bag stuffing. Volunteer hours can be donated to the IHS.
- Saturday July 16 will be the Taste and Tunes chamber event. We will host a group to perform on the flatbed rail car by the depot. Music from the 1920's will be featured. Picnic tables will be set up this year. One or two docents will be needed.
- History organizations in Plover, Manawa and Amherst were pleased to receive the extra Iola Heralds that Bonny had from her work in the Resource Center. She also received some Waupaca County Post collections from 1981 and 1918 from the Waupaca Historical Society.
- We are still working with the Lions Club to install a defibrillator in the Machine Shed. The Lions Club will maintain them, primarily during their workdays in the fall and the spring.
- Cliff asked if any board member was interested in carrying business cards representing the Historical Society. Charlie's wife Nola prints business cards for him, so Nola will send the program to John for setup. There are 12 cards per sheet. Cliff will work with Doug on a design.
- A budget needs to be set up for the truss work on the depot.
 - **Motion made to remove \$5,000 from the endowment fund for the initial budget to cover restoration of the depot, Charlie T., second by Lee, Motion Passed.**
- Planning for the Memorial Day Pork Roast for Veterans
 - Cliff will order 200 lbs. of pork. Bonny will coordinate the rest of the food setup. Plan for about 300 visitors.
 - Tom: one case shredded coleslaw (we will add the dressing), 50 lbs. potato salad (5 gal. pails), pickles, one case of baked beans. Sarah will check with Trout Bum Bakery for cookies.
 - Bonny will check with Bill on the barbeque sauce, get divided plates and some to-go containers.
 - **Motion made to increase pricing to \$12 non-veteran adults and \$6 for children, age 12 and under, Bonny. Second by Sarah. Motion passed.** The pork sandwich meal last year was \$10 and \$5 respectively.
 - Lee will set up the chairs and tables and clean them.

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Lee discussed the new bulletin board that Charlie put up. The display doors will be locked to keep them from accidentally opening.

John talked briefly about the two aerial photos of the Village of Iola that were moved out of the village hall as they redecorate their rooms. One is from 1975 and the other from 2010.

Board meeting adjourned 6:22pm.

Membership Meeting Minutes, April 25, 2022

Cliff opened the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance at 6:36pm. Twenty-three people were present.

Sue Halverson motioned to accept the March meeting minutes, Sue Maggie Thompson second, passed

Tom covered the financial numbers and mentioned the approval of \$5,000 to make repairs in the Depot.
Motion to accept the Treasurer's report, Donna Hooker, Charlie Nordness second, passed.

Cliff

- Covered the calendar of events from the board meeting.
- Bonny will be leading the spring cleanup of our buildings at 9am this Thursday. Volunteers are always welcome.
- The defibrillator will be installed in the Machine Shed before Memorial Day.

Maggie Thompson asked if there is going to be a "What's It?" at the Strawberry Fest this year. Cliff mentioned that Joel Edler used to lead the appraisal fair portion of our Strawberry Fest event, but since he passed away, Dave Harper will be contacted and asked to lead the effort.

Meeting adjourned 6:51 pm

Cliff Mishler gave an excellent presentation about the history of the Iola Car Show, as this is the 50th anniversary of the first old car gathering that led to the Show. Sue Halverson provided cookies from Trout Bum Bakery. The presentation was recorded and is available for any member who would like to borrow it.

Program ended 8:15pm

Minutes recorded by John Bertelson Jr.