



NOVI HISTORICAL COMMISSION MINUTES

Wednesday, October 24, 2018 7pm

Novi Library History Room

Call to Order: 7:00pm

Introductions of guests: Betty Lang (Library Liaison), Sue Griffor

Attendance: Kathy Crawford, Rachel Manela, Kim Nice, Tammy-Lee Knopp,

Approval of Agenda: ALL APPROVED

Approval of Minutes- September 2018 ALL APPROVED

Treasurer's report -Kim

Fiscal year: July 1st-June 30th

Expenditures Through Oct. 1st

Display Cabinet \$28.39

Marketing: \$137.39

Acquisitions: \$202.94

Conference/Cont. \$80.55

Special Projects: \$11.14

Total Spent: \$460.41

Rachel Submitted a receipt for \$42.09 for the Faygo event; pop, candy,

Sue Griffor submitted a receipt for \$13ish for Faygo Display cabinet

Vote: ALL APPROVED

Communications: NONE

Library Liaison Report, Betty Lang

NOTE: History Room hours:

November 5, 12-2 Rae November 19, 6-8 Kelly

December 3, 12-2 Dhara December 17, 6-8 Tammy-Lee

History Skills Boot Camp Sat. Nov 3-full day



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Wrap Up

Tollgate Oct 6 & 7

- Tammy-Lee and Kim Nice attended. Tammy-Lee taught the kids how to make 'pew-babies'/ghosts out of Kleenex and string. It was a success! Location was good, in a tent.
- Tammy-Lee visited Wixom Elementary with the same toy display.

Abbey Park Senior Citizens center 10/9

- Kathy gave the walled Lake Amusement program
- About 30 attendees

"Picturing America" 9/26

About 30 people attended

How did they hear about the event? Facebook, Email, Library Flyer

Suggestions: More reenactors, more story tellers

Friends Book It event 10/19

- Kathy attended this event
- Over 100 in attendance
- A woman told Kathy she noticed how nice the headstones look in the cemeteries. Thanks to the City for preserving the headstones

Document Donation Day 10/21

- No one attended the day of. However, Diana Canup donated some materials before document donation day including photos.
- Tom Markus has 5 boxes of materials.

Novi Today

Freelance Writers came in for some historical information

January issue will be about the 50th

Villa Barr Art Park Opening

- It rained!
- No books sold.



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Discussion items:

Novi Veteran War Memorial Registration Form, Tom

Villa Barr Presentations-meeting with Julie Farkas, Kathy

Premier Event Thursday, 1/31 7-8:30

Kathy, along with the Library have developed a presentation. Kathy presented the draft presentation to representatives from the Park foundation, Parks & Rec. The idea is to get people to buy the book and visit the park.

City of Novi 50th year celebration, Kim/Tammy

Business interviews

Kim interviewed Copland Concrete and A1 Radiator

Kim is going to reach out to Violet "Skip" Tuck (Novi Auto Parks)

Mable Ash (1st Clerk of Novi), went around with Tom Markus to tell people about voting to make Novi a City. [Cindy Gronakin may have pictures/information]

Newsletter/Calendar

Haven't seen the calendar yet.

Everything Tammy-Lee was responsible for is finished

Videos

Now Kim is calling back people she already talked with to set up times to do video interviews

Feb. 24th is the date we became a City

Feb. 11, 2019 – Day of the Big event!

Display will be up for the month of February

Wendy is looking for Docents, divided up by era/decade

HISTORICAL COMMISSION PROGRAMS FOR FALL-2019: please put on your calendar

10/25 History of Faygo 7pm

60 people registered!

1/24 New York Burned 1820-1850 7pm

2/28 Farmington Junction 7pm

3/21 WWI Hello Girls 7pm

4/25 Walled Lake Amusement Park 7pm

Novi Rd. Cemetery Sign- Removal and update



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Display Cabinet Repair, Tammy Lee

The cabinet on the first floor of the library is being repaired

Dhara and Tom will compare the city site to the brochure and present in November the changes to make and the Commission will vote on the changes to be made. We have already voted to fix #16 on the map, move ½ mile to the west.

Reprinting of Landmark Map

The city's website has 25 sites listed, the brochure has 19 listed.

We need to see what the new ones are

DISPLAY CABINET DOWNSTAIRS Volunteer Sue Grifor, Cabinet MANAGER

Next Displays: Toys (November) and Genealogy (December)

NEW BUSINESS/Other Business

Kathy Crawford presented a Novi resident who turned 102 with a special award.

FUTURE PROJECT LIST

Silhouettes

WEBSITE UPDATES

Need photos from events

NEXT MEETING: NOVEMBER 28 MEET AT 6:30pm

NOTE: No regular Commission meeting in December

NOTE: New Meeting day starting in January: 3rd Weds. of the Month

January 16 at 7pm

Adjourn: 8pm