



NOVI HISTORICAL COMMISSION

Wednesday, January 19, 2022 7pm
 Novi Library Local History

CALL TO ORDER: 7:01pm

ATTENDANCE: Kathy Crawford, Rachel Manela, Kim Nice, Debbie Wrobel, Dan Pierce, Sharon Larson,

ABSENT: Kelly Kasper

INTRODUCTION OF GUESTS: Sue Grifor (Volunteer), Betty Lang (Library Liaison)

APPROVAL OF AGENDA: ALL APPROVED as amended

APPROVAL OF DECEMBER MINUTES: ALL APPROVED

TREASURERS REPORT- Kim

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 FINANCIAL SUMMARY REPORT - 2021/2022 Fiscal Year

| | BUDGET | EXPENDITURES Through January 16, 2022 |
|---|------------------|--|
| Display Cabinet Exhibit | \$ 900 | \$ - |
| Marketing/Brochures/Engage/Name Badges | \$ 1,200 | \$ (455.35) |
| Equipment/Supplies/Office/Upgrades/Repairs | \$ 1,200 | \$ - |
| Program/Speaker Fees | \$ 900 | \$ (200.00) |
| Storage Unit | \$ 2,500 | \$ (2,431.00) |
| Acquisition (Books/Materials) | \$ 500 | \$ (27.99) |
| Conference/Continuing Education | \$ 2,200 | \$ (50.00) |
| Legal Fees | \$ 1,000 | \$ - |
| Special Projects | \$ 3,600 | \$ (69.92) |
| Examples: (Villa Barr, Photography, Veterans Sign, Oral Histories, City/Community Events, Motor City Marker) | | |
| Total: | \$ 14,000 | \$ (3,234.26) \$ 10,766 |

| <u>Equitable Projects</u> | Expenditures | Revenue Received |
|-----------------------------|---------------|--------------------------------------|
| Villa Barr Book Sales YTD | | \$40.00 YTD |
| Wreaths Across Novi Project | \$ (1,856.84) | \$1,850.00 \$ 798.34 carryover funds |

Treasurer's Report: ALL APPROVED

The donation from Obrien arrived in the mail (\$300) for Wreaths across Novi
 Proposed Budget: ALL APPROVED

COMMUNICATIONS

Policy on Social Media:

Proposed idea for a social media calendar or policy

5th/6th Grade Scavenger Hunt at Library: Friday evening March, 4th.

WELCOME new Commissioner- Sharon Larson



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LIBRARY LIASON REPORT Betty Lang

- Michigan in Perspective Conference

Early bird Registration: Now-Feb. 13th

Commissioners can be reimbursed for their conference attendance.

- Northville Genealogical Society:

The Northville Genealogical society will be offering free genealogical research assistance on the 4th Monday of each month from 12-2pm starting on Monday, February 28th. Drop in to ask questions, get help on ancestry databases, and more. This program will take place in the Local History Room on the 2nd floor of the library.

Due to COVID concerns, the library respects the request from our presenters to require masks be worn during this program. Questions? Contact Betty Lang: elang@novilibrary.org.

-Michigan Historical Society Workshops

If you go, bring back feedback to the commission. Again, members are reimbursed for fees for these programs.

History room volunteers:

Monday 2/7 (12-2pm) Debbie Wrobel

Monday 2/21 (6-8pm) Kim Nice

Monday 3/7 (12-2pm) Sharon Larson, Kathy Crawford

ELECTION OF OFFICERS

Nomination:

Chair: Rae Manela

Vice-Chair: Kathy Crawford

Secretary: Dan Pierce

Treasurer: Kim Nice

ALL APPROVED

DISCUSSION ITEMS:

Approval of Annual Budget Kathy/Kim Commission Name tag update Kim

The city is working on fixing the nametag mix up. We need a new nametag for Kathy and one for Sharon

Lee Mamola presentation moved to Feb. 16 Kathy

Brining a slide presentation to talk about his 1832 home in Novi.



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Tollgate Farms Display wrap up Kim/Kelly

Everything was taken down and put in the storage unit.

Upcoming Historical Program Rae

(See terrific cabinet display downstairs...great job Sue and Kim)

Jan: What Civil War Soldiers Ate

Feb: Michigan and the underground Railroad

March: Michigan Women who Make a Difference (Jewish Historical Society)

April: The Walled Lake Amusement Park

Organizing Gravesites Dan

Dan looked into Omeka – Allows organizations to store photos, label them, map them

Organizations: \$350/year or \$1,000/year

Motion: To approve purchasing a 1 year \$350/year subscription

With directions from the library on how to pay for the subscription.

ALL APPROVED

Tributes/gifts for outgoing Commissioners, Debbie

Debbie went back to Things Remembered

Clocks have been obtained!

Payment was already approved.

Novi Historic Sites Brochure Update

Questions to be resolved: Private Homes, highlights, site markers

The city says its not copyrighted.

Make it a major discussion item for the March Meeting

Veterans Memorial for KIA/Forms, Kim

No new information

BACK BURNER PROJECTS

Storage Unit

Cemetery Sign removal/change

Historic Sites Sign Style

Cemetery upkeep/renovations



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DISPLAY CABINET

February: Underground Railroad

NEW BUSINESS/OTHER NONE

WEBSITE UPDATES NONE

PUBLIC COMMENT NONE

ADJOURN: 8:43PM

(NEXT MEETING FEBRUARY 16)