

CALL TO ORDER:

Chairwoman Nancy Knick called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm.

ROLL CALL:

Scott & Bridget were absent. All others were present.

AMEND/CORRECT & APPROVE AGENDA:

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

APPROVE MINUTES OF FEBRUARY 21, 2023:

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

FINANCIAL REPORT FROM ESCROW ACCOUNT:

Balance is \$13,063.59. Motion by Betty, 2nd by Sandy. All approved.

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

Charles-No updates on Historical House. Matt Baker to get with contractors to determine finish date.

City Thunderbowl Bowling Alley to host bowling tournament.

Tuesday August 15, 2023 from 6-9 pm is the Taste of Downriver, with mostly Allen Park restaurants. There will be a \$25.00 charge.

Lots of calls coming from residents about the opening of the Museum.

Thanks for all you do. Keep up the good work.

CHAIR'S COMMENTS:

DONATIONS:

None.

UPDATES ON EVENTS/PROGRAMS:

- a. Flea Market at Community Center-June 16/17-Sat. & Sun. We can use the high school tables & purple cushion seats. \$100.00 fee to use the facilities for 2 days. We will charge \$25.00 per table. Charge for extra table \$10.00? Motion by Karen, 2nd by Lorraine, Ray-no. Approved.
- b. Event at Key Masonic Lodge in Allen Park on Ecorse Rd.-we have no date yet for event. Some suggestions-DuMouchelle Gallery to appraise antiques. A Psychic Fair with a psychic from Calavera Rose on Park @ Garfield. Maria to check on prices. A brunch or tea on lawn called The Backhaus Brunch.
- c. Share Nights with Different Restaurants-we should ask APCCF to use their non-profit status.

UPDATE ON MUSEUM:

E-mail from Matt.

NEW BUSINESS:

- a. Software for categorizing Artifacts-Maria-Starter price is \$745, full price \$1,245. We are eligible for a grant but need a mission statement for the grant. The grant would pay for all \$1,245. There is an annual fee of \$870 per year for maintenance & support. We would need internet for a computer & security system. We need to bring this up before City Council.

OLD BUSINESS:

- a. Showcase at City Hall-Bridget to do April -K of C. May or June-Garden Club. October-Pumpkin Patch. September-School Memories. Also, a Betty month about the Backhaus family.
- b. Outside Museum Sign-Requires a vote-we decided on the all white sign with black letters. Sandy voted for the green sign, all others voted for the all white sign with black letters.

COMMISSINERS COMMENTS:

Zach-Founding Families post on the Allen Parker. He has 15 families on the list. Nancy spoke at City Council about the Museum. Zach to take measurements for the new bookcase. Ray-the tire at Parks & Recreation is ours. We have 2 of them. Scott online asked residents what to put on Showcase. No businesses on Facebook. Motion by Ray, 2nd by Sandy. All approved. Online chat about the Allen Park Historical Museum-Motion by Lorraine, 2nd by Ray. All approved. No negative comments, kindness and courtesy expected by all. Motion by Barb, 2nd by Sandy. All approved.

ADJOURNMENT:

Motion by adjourn by Karen, 2nd by Lorraine. All approved. Meeting was adjourned at 8:33 pm.

Respectfully Submitted  
Lorraine Powell  
Secretary

Next Historical Commission meeting is Tuesday April 18, 2023 at 7:00 pm at City Hall.