

BOYNE CITY HISTORICAL COMMISSION

Minutes of March 19, 2018

7:00 p.m.

Boyne City Hall

CALL TO ORDER: 7:01pm

PRESENT: Hewitt, Sansom, Raycraft, Dawson

ABSENT: Alexander, Kelts, Barden

GUEST: Kecia Freed, Tom Bernardin,, Tamara Weidlich,
Monica Kroondyk, Gow Litzenburger

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Minutes from the January 15, 2018 and February 21, 2018 meetings, Motioned by Dawson, second by Raycraft, all ayes.

OLD BUSINESS:

None

NEW BUSINESS:

- A. Kecia presented the board with copies of “ building our Strategy” which is a step by step outline of Phase I thru Phase III and the plans for continued progress from the new board. Kecia walked us thru each section of the handout.
- B. No discussion on budget

CITIZENS COMMENTS

Gow gave an update on the Cemetery workshop that he and Kecia did remotely here at city hall. It covered restoration of headstones and monuments. Veterans stones that are deteriorated can be replaced now. They were provided with proper cleaning techniques.

Sansom shared her information that she collected from the state museum in Frankfort, Kentucky. She talked with staff and they provide a folder full of helpful ideas for fundraising and other items. Sansom gave the folder to Kecia to use with the efforts of the new board. Sansom also visited another museum in Elizabethtown which she commented on the really nice banners that they had on display, each one highlighting a person and his or her history. She took pictures of this to share for an idea for us to use. Sansom will provide more detail on this information with Kecia.

Laura showed the board and audience a WWII newspaper that she had borrowed from a friend and indicated that if a display was going to highlight this era she would have access to copy information from this paper.

COMMUNICATIONS

Bylaws were discussed and Sansom and Dawson pointed out two areas that required some changes. Monica indicated that it has already been sent for filing with the application for 501C3 so may be too late.

Discussion regarding location of artifacts and storage. Tom had information on a storage facility in Elmira that was of good size. New board is concerned about the need for space to photograph, record and clean the artifact. Sansom indicated that she had already photographed all items and wondered why it would need to be done again. Kecia said that with the digital collection it would be good to have each item separately photographed and cataloged.

Hewitt suggested that all new board members and our current board should have the "ABC of Museum" training so they know how to handle and clean and store items properly. Hewitt will contact the Michigan Museum Association about training.

Raycraft asked about the artifacts and what happens if the new board should dissolve? The Bylaws indicate that the items will all come back to the city.

Next Meeting: April 23, 2018

Adjourned: 8:05 P.M.