

Pentwater Historical Society
Executive Board Meeting
85 S Rutledge St.

Date: Jan 11, 2023

Call to Order; 11:30 AM by Dick Warner

Board Members Present: (Zoom Meeting)

Dick Warner
Beth Russell
Dan Hoekstra
Jim Lambrix
Dan Girvan

Karen Way
Norm Shotwell
Bart Zachrich
Mike Waidelich

Not Present:

Amy VanderZwart
Silvia Warner

Past meeting Minutes:

Motion to accept minutes of 12/14/2022 Made, second, Unam.

Reports :

Treasurer: Mike Waidelich / Bart Zachrich

Account Summary:

Checking Account at Shelby Bank	\$14,034	Change	+\$7,020
PayPal Transactions	\$231		-\$230
Savings Account at Shelby Bank	49,842		0
PayPal account	49		-221
CFOC Endowment Fund	47,125		+5,280
CFOC Building Fund	276,916		+57,819

Bart will check to insure that the Society's insurance policy includes a rider covering the consumption of alcoholic beverages at society events.

President: Dick Warner

Dick commented that there is a need for additional note cards.

Beth will investigate having additional cards printed.

Marketing: Jim Lambrich

Jim has completed his effort to sell space in the news bette for the year.

There was a discussion concerning the annual cost of printing the news letter with estimates ranging from \$2,000 to \$5,000 per year. (3 printings) Jim and Bart will work to better define this cost and report back at the Feb meeting

Jim will arrange to have additional brochures printed.

Director: Dan Hoekstra

Dan will take down the police exhibit.

Michigan state senator Jon Bumpstead visited the museum on Jan 9, 2022. Beth and others talked to him about the future plans for the museum and how his office may help with the planning and funding.

Dan recommended that the museum exhibits be rearranged periodically to keep the appearance fresh.

Trustee: Karen Way

The cost of using the Michigan state research center for dinners for Non-profit users is \$500 plus an additional \$275 for cleaning. There is a \$250 discount for first time users so the cost for the museum for the May dinner would be reduced to \$250 plus cleaning. Future dinners would be at the full price of \$500. Norm did enquire if the cost is less if we provide setup or breakdown.

The current charge for the use of the VFW building is \$250 but there is a concern that the building is dated and does not reflect the future aspirations of the board. In addition, museum board members are responsible for the set up, breakdown and the cleaning of the building.

A motion was made that Karen arrange for the use of the Michigan state facility for both the May and the August meetings. The motion was seconded, and approved.

Building Committee: Norm Shotwell

Beth will be posting a list of the topics that could be used as exhibits in the new museum. Dick recommended that the history of furniture production, the old schoolhouse, and the history of education in Pentwater be included in this list.

The current plan from Steve Baas has a proposed floor area of 5,200 ft sq. At \$300 per sq ft, the estimated cost would be \$1,500,000. Although this is not a final number, Norm would like to continue to develop this plan.

Dick is concerned about the increasing floor area and the resultant increase in cost.

Norm commented that the current plan is to work to refine the expansion plan and to start design when 40% of the funding is in hand.

New Business:

Karen will secure reservations at the Michigan State research center for the May and August dinners.

Beth commented that we should consider attracting younger members as an add hock committee or advisory board. She will prepare a proposal for presentation at the Feb meeting.

It was proposed the we have a Zoom meeting with Steve Baas following the Feb meeting.

Meeting adjourned at at 12:23

