



NOVI HISTORICAL COMMISSION

May Minutes

Wednesday, May 18, 2022

Novi Library Local History

CALL TO ORDER: 7:01pm

ATTENDANCE: Rae Manela, Kathy Crawford, Kim Nice, Debbie Wrobel, Sharon Larson, Kelly Kasper

ABSENT: Dan Pierce

INTRODUCTION OF GUESTS: Betty Lang, Sue Grifor

APPROVAL OF AGENDA: ALL APPROVED

APPROVAL OF APRIL MINUTES: ALL APPROVED

TREASURERS REPORT- Kim

Kim has a request in to Barb about our payment for our portion of Engage.
Fiscal year ends June 30th

Library Liaison Report, Betty Lang

- Micro-film reader/Printer in the Local History room has died and we can no longer get parts for it. Barb is waiting for a quote for a new one or possibly a used one.

We will have to look into how can we pay for it. Will discuss in the future.

Communications

A nice note from Jeannie Weiner thanking us for having the JSHM talk in March Michigan Historical Society Magazines

- **History Room Staffing**

June 6th 12-2pm: Rae Manela, Debbie Wrobel

June 20th 6-8pm: Kelly Kasper,

No hours in July and August

Our goal is to always have 2 people in the room when possible.

- **Northville Genealogical Society**

No hours in July and August

- **Document Donation Day**

May 22nd 2-4pm

Signs have been out.

Projects/Upcoming Events

Walled Lake Amusement Program Recap

- A former employee came in from Traverse City and had lived on the property came to the event.
- Another attendee sent photos of their home and other photos from Walled Lake from the time of the park. They also sent in a written family history.
- Marilyn Combs (Woodworth) thanked us for adding her father's story to the presentation.

Storage Unit Pricing

- Currently with Extra Space Storage

Received a quote of \$2,652. This would cover us from July 2022-June2023



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We are paid up through June 30th.

Move to Approve: Kelly Kasper, 2nd by Kathy Crawford, ALL APPROVED

We want to look into getting pricing for other units

- **Omeka (Grave Sites), Dan Pierce**

Metadata

Talk/Presentation on Hold until Dan returns

- **Novi Historical Sites Brochure, Dan Pierce**

Design: Color Scheme, font, etc.

Wait until Dan returns

- **Spring Palooza, Kim Nice and Debbie Wrobel**

Friday May 20th Set up between 1 and 5:30. Event: 6-8pm

Theme this year is Bowling alleys.

- **City of Novi Resource Management Plan**

Must be updated by October

Betty will send our portion to us and we hope to review it at our next meeting.

- **City Request for Facts/History for Social Media, Sharon Larson & Kathy Crawford**

Nathan from the city has left the City of Novi. So, until we hear from the city we don't

know if this is still a project they want to pursue and who our new point person at the city will be.

- **Miniature Project, Kathy Crawford**

Committee members: Kathy Crawford, Sharon Larson, Kim Nice, and Sue Grifor

- June meeting date, tenable date: June 21st.

Kathy spoke with Fox Run, the train and the wood working groups have a meeting in August. They like the idea of the project and are interested.

Where can research be conducted on which stores were at the 4 corners 100 years ago?

Which date will they go with? What will the facades and the interiors look like?

- **Veteran's Memorial for KIA – Kim**

- Kelly sent information to Sandy at the city with information about one of the soldiers buried in the Novi Cemetery who was killed in Action.

- At the May 25th event at Fuerst field the city will have the application form the Historical Commission for people to fill out if they know of a soldier who is eligible.

NHC Speaker Event

May 25: The Chautauqua Movement

BACKBURNER PROJECTS:

· Cemetery Sign Removal/Change

· Historic Sites Sign Style

· **Cemetery upkeep**

Gates have been refurbished.

Is the Novi Beautification Commission in charge of the plantings there?

Parks is in charge of the Cemetery. They are currently waiting to put in extra parking, paths and benches.

NEW BUSINESS: None

PUBLIC COMMENT:

NEXT MEETING – Wednesday, June 15 at 7 p.m.



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