

# **MANDAN Historical Society**

**Heritage Plaza**

**411 West Main St**

**Mandan ND 58554**



**Thursday, January 28, 2010**

## **Board of Directors Meeting Mandan Historical Society Museum**

Absent the President, the meeting was called to order at 7:05 pm by Vice-President (Membership) William Schott

**Additional Attendees:** Vice President (Programming) David Kroll, Secretary Melanie Bernier, Treasurer William Engelter; Directors Sharon Huettl, Eldo Johnson, Robert Porter, Walton Russell, Jr., and Kathye Spilman

**Absent:** President Bryen Birkholz; Director Mary Harris

Prior minutes approved: Motion to approve: Dave Kroll; second Sharon Huettl. All in favor.

### **Treasurer's Report:**

Rent increase 3% January 2010

Balance after bills paid: \$30.18

Full report in file

Kathy Spilman moved to accept Treasurer's report, Dave Kroll seconded motion, all in favor, Treasurer's report approved.

### **Old Business:**

Bill Engelter reported that he found a company, Howell Molding, Inc, to make 48 frames for pictures. Frames are oak, 1 ½ inch wide, with glass, and hooks. Cost is approx. \$4 per frame with shipping.

Dave Kroll motioned to approve purchase of frames, Sharon Huettl seconded, all in favor, motion approved.

### **Committees:**

**Photo Registry Project--** Bill Engelter reported that he has invested 10 hours so far in creating a registry system.

The system will include:

An indexed register

2<sup>nd</sup> copies of photos of Mandan

15 different possible classifications of photos; ie: churches, events rodeos, homes, government, etc.

Photos will be grouped by every 20 years or so

Letters will designate the different year groups'

A form people will fill out when they submit photos including all pertinent info (who, what, where, etc)

Pictures will be assigned a title where appropriate

A folder to keep all forms organized

Folders have acid-free paper, archive quality

Additional comments:

Need to determine which pictures should be made into an 8 1/2 x 11 in. photo

We want to avoid pictures that have been publicized

Solicit photos from long-time businesses

Framed photos will be displayed in the front gallery of the Beanery with short history on a rotating basis

Office Depot can make color copies-10 pics x 2 copies for \$20

May want to make some panoramic copies of select photos

Put "teasers" of photos on website

Nick and Marlo Anderson have hundreds of photos, we may want to get copies of them all and then pick and choose which to enlarge

Bill is charging \$15 per hour

Grant for project from state-\$1500

Kathy Spilman offered review other grant monies available, as well as scan and digitize the photos

### **Fire truck Report--Dave Kroll**

Old Mandan, ND fire truck is located in California

Bernie Long is current owner--his wife was originally from ND

Truck was kept in Cooperstown, ND for period of time prior to the Long's purchasing it and taking it to California

Mrs. Long is now deceased

Dave Kroll has been in phone contact with Mr. Long and will continue to determine if Mr.

Long is interested in selling or donating the truck back to the MHSO.

Will research Mandan City Council minutes to glean more information about the truck--possible serial number, who originally built it, etc.

**Other Business:**

Bill Schott ascertained that the people at HIT will continue to fold and mail MHSO newsletter

Bill Schott ensured that there is a donation box located in the Beanery for MHSO

Bill Schott stated he will attend the next Mandan City Council meeting to report on the Mandan Progress Organization's plans for Heritage Square

**New Business:**

Annual report file, \$10 paid

MHSO has about \$500 to spend for a community event to promote tourism in Mandan

Bill Schott suggested promote the Tour of Homes at the next Buggies-n-Blues, discussion ensued about vendor's fees for Buggies n Blues

Kathy Spilman reported Mary Harris and she had given a tour of the Stuart Dunlap home in January 2010 for the Bismarck Newcomers Club and accepted donations totaling \$60 or over \$8 per person

It was suggested that members bring ideas to the next meeting about how to spend the \$500 grant for a community event, preferably in April. A community Easter egg hunt was suggested and discussed. All ideas are needed and welcomed.

**Next meeting: Thursday, February 11, 2010 7p.m.**

Bill Schott moved to close, Dave Kroll second. Meeting adjourned at 8 p.m.

Respectfully submitted February 7, 2010

Melanie Bernier  
Secretary

**Approved: Pending**