

# **MANDAN Historical Society**



## **Board of Directors Meeting**

**March 5, 2022**

**Location:** Keitu Engineers & Consultants, Conference Room; 1403 27<sup>th</sup> St NW, Mandan

**Present:** President Bob Porter, Secretary Kathye Spilman, Treasurer Bill Engelter, Directors Bob Barr & Sharon Huettl

**Absent:** Vice President Walt Russell and Directors Joel Winckler and Laine Pope

The meeting was called to order by President Porter at 10:05 a.m. Quorum was present.

### **Officers' Reports**

**Secretary's Report:** Minutes from the December 2021 meeting. Motion to approve minutes via voice vote made with two changes. Motion passed.

**Treasurer's Report:** Treasurer reported 2021 EOY balances of \$14,094.38. Payments recorded for December 2021 approved bills. Bills were presented for expenses for the Federal Building Cornerstone Display. Payment approved via voice vote.

**Other Directors' Reports:** None offered.

### **Committee Reports**

#### **Ad Hoc Project Committee – Newspapers Digitalization:**

- Another 10 boxes of Mandan Pioneers were sent to Newspapers.com
- First set not yet scanned and returned
- Sharon trying to arrange for all the remaining papers to be sent in last batch
- Will destroy newspapers returned post scanning unless a new storage location found

#### **Buildings & Grounds Committee**

- Bob Porter and Kathye Spilman expect to pick up donated brick in April for Federal Building (Former Post Office) Cornerstone Display.
- Landscape foliage and an information panel are expected Spring 2022
- Bill Engelter reported ND State RR Museum Hours reduced 1 hour daily; now 1-4 PM
- Motion made, seconded & approved via voice vote to match operation of NDSRRM

#### **Communication & Public Relations Committee**

- Kathye Spilman provided the Haupt biography and Mandan charter information in mid February 2022 to the Mandan News; but articles not published.

#### **Donations & Acquisitions Committee**

- No report

### **Endowment Fund Committee**

- Current balance at \$19,572.55
- \$665 planned 2022 dispersant for website and Federal Building Display project

### **Grant Committee**

- Kathye Spilman will file a grant request to the Mandan Visitor Fund for next August “History Harvest” tentatively scheduled for Sunday August 7, 2022 and propose new event “Flashlight Tour of Union Cemetery” on Saturday October 30, 2022.
- Motion made, seconded and passed via voice vote to approve both events contingent on grant funding.

### **Heritage Home Committee**

- New owner of the Hanley home and would like assistance from the Mandan Historical Society to restore the home.
- Bill Engelter suggested an alternative to the current information panels used.

### **Membership Committee**

- Bob Porter reported 40 membership renewal or invitation to join the Society.
- One new member joined with \$1000 donation as a lifetime member
- One new member joined as a business member
- Five members renewed as individual members
- Effort to incorporate online membership renewal via the website remains on hold pending a volunteer to coordinate the effort.

### **Nomination Committee**

- No report

### **Old Business**

- BNSF Bridge Replacement Mitigation – Permit from US Coast Guard is on hold due to bridge ownership challenge from the “Friends of the Bridge.” Mitigation planning videoconference meeting scheduled for March 24.
- Mandan Middle School Bell Display – Bill Engelter suggested exploring possible placement at the new Mandan High School
- CCC Chimney Signage Project – Tabled

### **New Business**

- None offered.

### **Director Resignation**

Bob Barr submitted his letter of resignation from the Mandan Historical Society Board of Directors and returned his set of keys. President Porter accepted his resignation with regret and thanked him for his years of service to the organization, and efforts to build the Society’s pottery collection. Appreciation and best wishes were extended to Bob from all present.

**Next Meeting: May 14 at 10:00 am** at the Mandan Historical Society Museum at 3827 30th Ave NW; in Mandan

Motion to adjourn at 11:21 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Kathye". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style with a prominent loop at the end.

Kathye Spilman  
Secretary

**Approved: May 14, 2022**