

TOWN OF DUNN  
DOWNSVILLE COMMUNITY MUSEUM COMMITTEE  
March 11, 2019

The Downsville Community Museum Committee met at 5:30pm on Monday, March 11, 2019 at the Town of Dunn Hall  
Members present: President Suzanne Messa, Arlene Cartwright, Forrest Johnson, Lynnette Smith, and Vicki Price  
Absent: John Miller and Craig Thibado

The meeting was called to order by Suzanne Messa.

1. Minutes: **It was moved by Cartwright and seconded by Johnson to approve the minutes of November 12, 2018. MC**
2. Vouchers: Reviewed
3. Treasurers Report: **It was moved by Johnson and seconded by Cartwright to approve the February 2019 Museum Committee treasurer's report. MC**
4. Public Comment: None
5. Donations:
  - A. Tom Colby Estate: 1954 copy of "The Warrior" from the Downsville elementary school. **It was moved by Price and seconded by Smith to accept "The Warrior" Downsville elementary school year book donated by the Tom Colby estate. MC**
  - B. New Hope Church: Mimeograph machine. **It was moved by Price and seconded by Smith to accept the donation of an old mimeograph machine from New Hope Church. MC**
  - C. Mary Lemke: An old doll from her mother-in-law. Vicki will bring a picture to the April meeting.
6. Rodent Problem: No report.
7. Project Updates:
  - A. Discover Downsville Discount Card: Cards are selling and a report of the deposits was reviewed.
  - B. Storage Shed Electrical Work: Wiring and new lighting is completed. Vicki sent a picture to Dunn Energy to fulfill the reporting requirement of the Round-up Grant.
  - C. Bids for Storage Shed Extension: Bids will be requested early next year – thoughts are to extend the shed to the front location of the post office, with the extension taller than the current shed roofline, sliding doors on the new end to accommodate the Schley logging display and a covered apron on the new end with the jail possibility housed under the apron roof.
  - D. Heating/Cooling – Bauer Gas: Lynnette report that Bauer Gas viewed the museum and did not think a mini-split unit would work well but recommended an 85% unit furnace which could be set at 40 degrees during the winter weather. Insulation is needed in the building before anything should be done. Concern was expressed about the possibility of mold in the stone building if it was heated in the winter continually.
8. Spring Grant Ideas: Insulation – Eau Claire Insulation was recommended for an estimate.
9. Other Events/Reports:
  - A. Dunn County Historical Society Display – Odd Fellows & Caddie Woodlawn: There was discussion with Frank Smoot, Director of Rassbach Museum in Menomonie, about working together with them, our museum and Caddie Woodlawn Park to all have a display with our museum having a home display. Luisa will be doing some research as the Woodlawns were more upper class in the area.
  - B. December 1<sup>st</sup> Pictures with Santa: Event was well attended and fun.
  - C. Dan Phillips Art Show – May 25, 2019: Suzanne has not received a response to her emails to Dan but will try calling him. We will have a display whether he gets up here in May or not. Vicki has rounded up 24 paintings to be displayed in the museum, probably upstairs. Easels will be needed.
  - D. May 25<sup>th</sup> Pancake Breakfast: Jane and George DeFlorin will be gone but will have it covered. Vicki will do advertising and check with Jason Wayne on tent rental. Lynnette Smith will seek Thrivent support for the breakfast and Suzanne for moving the post office.
10. Goals for 2019 Opening: It would be ideal to have the post office moved by the opening but not necessary. Help is needed to assist Matt Messa in removing the post office boxes from inside the post office before it is moved. Vicki will contact Mark Weber.
11. Goals for 2019 Year: Shed addition, logging display moved to shed, museum insulation, and new front doors on the museum.
12. Set April 8, 2019 Agenda: Rodent Problem; Storage Shed Extension Bids; Insulation Bids

Meeting adjourned at 7:00pm

Vicki Price, Secretary