

TOWN OF DUNN
DOWNSVILLE COMMUNITY MUSEUM COMMITTEE
April 8, 2019 (corrected 5/13/19)

The Downsville Community Museum Committee met at 5:30pm on Monday, April 8, 2019 at the Town of Dunn Hall
Members present: President Suzanne Messa, Arlene Cartwright, Forrest Johnson, John, Miller, Lynnette Smith, and Vicki Price

Absent: Craig Thibado

The meeting was called to order by Suzanne Messa.

1. Minutes: **It was moved by Smith and seconded by Miller to approve the minutes of March 11, 2019. MC**
2. Vouchers: Reviewed
3. Treasurers Report: **It was moved by Johnson and seconded by Smith to approve the April 2019 Museum Committee treasurer's report. MC**
4. Public Comment: None
5. Donations:
 - A. Warren Fritz: Antique organ and old article on Atkinson family. Organ does not work; article will be scanned. Items declined. It was suggested that they contact the Rassbach Museum and UW-Stout Archives.
 - B. Mary & Gene Lemke: Antique doll – Vicki will check to see if it is porcelian as may fit in Caddie Woodlawn display.
 - C. Suzanne Messa Family: Old hardcover books. **It was moved by Price and seconded by Cartwright to accept the old hardcover books donated by the Suzanne Greiz-Messa Family. MC**
6. Rodent Problem: John Miller has purchased a new trap that he is going to set.
7. Project Updates:
 - A. Discover Downsville Discount Card: Vicki will check with Timber Inn and Cubby's to see if they will sell cards at their establishments.
 - B. Post Office: Mark Weber has indicated an interest in helping with the preparation of the post office for its move.
 - C. Bids for Storage Shed Extension: Bids will be requested in April and May – 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. Additional suggestions were Glaus Brothers of Durand and the Amish (John Miller will provide contact information).
 - D. Heating/Cooling – Bauer Gas: No report; must work on insulation first.
 - E. Trail Sign: Suzanne is working on this.
 - F. Walking Tour: Suzanne is working with Mary Budd on signage and will be contacting the businesses regarding their participation.
 - G. New Display Cabinet/Podium Style: Purchased from UW-Stout auction and can be used for the Caddie Woodlawn display or to display museum information at the front entrance.
8. Fall Grant Ideas: Insulation – Eau Claire Insulation will be contacted by Vicki for an estimate.
9. Other Events/Reports:
 - A. Dunn County Historical Society Display – Odd Fellows & Caddie Woodlawn: Luisa will move the displays on loan at the Rassbach Museum in Menomonie and continue research on the Caddie Woodlawn household.
 - B. Dan Phillips Art Show – May 25, 2019: Suzanne is continuing to try to contact Dan Phillips. Vicki has rounded up 24 paintings to be displayed in the museum, probably upstairs. Easels will be needed.
 - C. May 25th Pancake Breakfast: Posters were distributed to members to post.
 - a) Lynnette Luisa will request a Thrivent Event Dollars (\$250) to be used.
 - b) Vicki will seek help that day from the National Mutual Benefit members and double-check with Mark & Cory Weber.
 - c) Vicki will contact Spring Brook Meats for sausage donation.
 - d) Vicki has placed ads and will also send one to Moose Country 106.7 radio.
 - e) Jason Wayne's tent is available to rent on May 25th.
10. Museum Volunteer Schedule: Hours will be Saturday 11am-3pm requiring 2 people. Sign-up will be at May meeting.

- 11.** Schedule Museum Cleaning/Work Days: April 27th and May 4th at 9am at the museum.
- 12.** Goals for 2019 Opening: It would be ideal to have the post office moved by the opening but not necessary.
- 13.** Goals for 2019 Year: Post Office moved, shed addition, logging display moved to shed, expand Caddie Woodlawn display, museum insulation, and new front doors on the museum.
- 14.** Set May 13, 2019 Agenda: Rodent Problem update; Storage Shed Extension Bids; Insulation Bids; Pancake breakfast and Phillips art display.

Meeting adjourned at 6:30pm

Vicki Price, Secretary