

TOWN OF DUNN
DOWNSVILLE COMMUNITY MUSEUM COMMITTEE
July 9, 2018

The Downsville Community Museum Committee met at 5:30pm on Monday, July 9, 2018 at the Downsville Community Museum

Members present: President Suzanne Messa, Arlene Cartwright, Forrest Johnson, John Miller, Lynnette Smith, and Vicki Price

The meeting was called to order by Suzanne Messa.

1. Minutes: **It was moved by Miller and seconded by Cartwright to approve the minutes of June 11, 2018. MC**
2. Vouchers: Reviewed
3. Treasurers Report: **It was moved by Price and seconded by Smith to approve the June 2018 Museum Committee treasurer's report. MC**
4. Public Comment: **None**
5. Donations:
 - A. Nate & Jen Sol: Albert Sol's (Nate's great grandfather) level from the 1800's. **It was moved by Price and seconded by Smith to accept the donation of 1800 wood level (original owner Albert Sol who was great-grandfather to Nate) from Nate & Jen Sol. MC.**
 - B. Wally Cutler: Box containing clothes stomper, ration coupons, 1943-44 & 1946-47 directories of school district officers, WWI book published in 1919 entitled "When & Where of the European Conflict", flat irons, door stops, and gas light. **It was moved by Price and seconded by Miller to accept the donations of clothes stomper, ration coupons, 1943-44 & 1946-47 directories of school district officers, WWI book published in 1919 entitled "When & Where of the European Conflict", flat irons, door stops, and gas light from Wally Cutler. MC**
 - C. Elinor Smith via Lynnette Smith: 1931 Kyle's Grocery Store calendar. **It was moved by Price and seconded by Cartwright to accept the donation of a 1931 Kyle's Grocery Store calendar from Elinor Smith. MC**
 - D. Arlene Cartwright: Bible given to Mrs. Downs after her husband died. **It was moved by Price and seconded by Smith to accept the donation of Mrs. Downs' bible from Arlene Cartwright. MC**
6. Bob Wik Mowing: **It was moved by Johnson and seconded by Smith to pay Bob Wik for mowing by giving him gift certificates at Wik's Repair, Cubby's and Timber Inn = \$150. MC**
7. Project Updates:
 - A. Logging display: Steve Greene has the middle section of the display running and needs a ¼ hp motor. Consensus was for him to purchase the motor needed and submit the invoice for reimbursement.
 - B. Display cases at John Russell Museum – Forrest Johnson and Tim Rivard will do the move on Sunday, July 15th.
 - C. Sign on bike trail: Work in progress.
 - D. Lot survey has been completed by Lee Villeneuve.
 - E. Walking tour: Draft of pamphlet was reviewed.
 - F. Shelving/storage for space in Town Hall: Shelving has been erected and items stored at the Messa farm will be moved into this area in the fall.
 - G. Building permits: Vicki met with Bob Colson at Dunn Co. Zoning regarding moving the post office to the west side of the museum and extending the storage shed to the area vacated by the post office move. A setback variance is needed for the post office off Cty C (40 foot requirement) of 22 feet. Colson is checking to see if the \$400 fee can be waived for other municipalities. Consensus was to proceed with the setback variance request whether the fee is waived or not. Due date is July 18th for August 4th Board of Adjustments meeting.
 - H. Review of Donations: Schley logging display table donations = \$2,500 Heit family and \$1,000 from pancake breakfast proceeds. Future donations of Thrivent events -- \$250 Lynnette Smith for 8/25/18 pancake breakfast; \$250 Lynnette Smith for post office move; and \$250 Suzanne Messa for extending shed. Dunn Energy grant of \$1,900 toward electricity/lighting in shed.
8. Saturday Openings Report: June 23 (Craig Thibado) = 20 visitors; June 30 (Vicki Price) = 0 visitors; July 7 (Vicki Price) = 6 visitors.

9. August 25 Pancake Breakfast/Downsville Day: John Miller will contact Jason Wayne about use of his tent for the pancake breakfast and kiddie tractor pull in the afternoon. Vicki Price is working on ads for the pancake breakfast and Downsville Day. Suggestion to check with Mark Weber about running his atv around town and in the parade advertising the museum. Lynnette will check with her husband about having their old tractor in the parade to advertise the museum also.
 10. Rassbach Fall Exhibit Ideas: Suggestion was made to do an Oddfellows display because other museums in the area do not have one. Consensus was to plan on an Oddfellows display.
 11. Volunteer Calendar: Reviewed. July 14 – (Suzanne Messa) Louisville Reunion at the museum and pictures will be taken to be put on facebook page and webpage. July 21 – Lynnette Smith. July 28 – Luisa Fumagalli and Suzanne Messa. September 1 – Vicki Price and John Miller.
 12. Other Ideas/Events:
 - A. It was also suggested to consider giving gift certificates to Jason Wayne for use of his tent.
 - B. Vicki suggested that since church summer vacation bible school was held at the Oddfellows Hall in the past, next year we invite New Hope Church to spend a part of a day or evening at the museum for their vacation bible school. Consensus was this was a good idea.
 13. Set July 9th Agenda
 14. Measurements were taken for the setback variance request.
- Meeting adjourned at 7:00pm

Vicki Price, Secretary