

CALL TO ORDER

The regularly scheduled meeting of the Historical Commission was held on Wednesday, September 3, 2025. Chairperson Flynn called the meeting to order at 9:00 AM.

ATTENDANCE

Chairman Flynn took the roll call. It indicated as follows:

Commission Attendance

PRESENT: Chairman Flynn, Commissioner Baur, Commissioner Frasier, Commissioner Walker, Commissioner Zander, Commissioner Hayes

ABSENT:

Other Attendance

PRESENT: Jeanne Steffens, Tracey Skinner, Eric Guenther

PUBLIC COMMENTARY

Jeanne Steffens:

- The Wauconda sound system is a microphone connected to a bullhorn.
- There is a Countryside Golf poster on display at the Union Railroad Museum in Union, Illinois.
- General discussion on whether it may be available or desirable to acquire. Commissioner Baur will investigate and advise at a future meeting.
- Spoke to MPRD guitarist who has played at the Farmer's Market about playing railroad songs at the museum. He expressed interest in doing so, but is not available on Saturdays.

Tracey Skinner:

- Has submitted an application for the open Commissioner position and is attending to observe.

PARK DISTRICT REPORT

No representative present, no report.

MINUTES APPROVAL

CHAIRMAN'S REPORT AND OTHER COMMUNICATION

Docent Schedule

After discussion, it was agreed to eliminate docents who consistently failed to appear for scheduled shifts without notice.

Ivanhoe Cemetery Walk - September 27, 2025 and October 1, 2025

65 participants have signed up, and a maximum of 70 for each performance, each docent-led group will have twelve participants. Actors have requested that no sound system be used. Will need one table and two chairs from the Museum for the sign-in table. Docent walkthrough Friday, September 19, 2025, at 10:00 AM at the Cemetery.

Summer Newsletter

No Report

Lure of the Local

The Commission will participate with a postcard display consisting of postcards on hand and part of the Terry Schaul postcard collection.

Fremont School Presentation

No report.

Seminary Golf Course History

No report.

Mundelein High School Outreach

No response from the school, no further action will be taken.

MUSEUM OPERATIONS

Archiving

Have received a large collection of information on people of Mundelein, need to review to determine how to archive.

Facility Maintenance / Landscape Installations

No report.

Collections: Accessioning / De-accessioning

Motion to accept recommendations for accessioning and de-accessioning.

Motion to accession the following items:

- Baby Brownie camera on loan from Jeanne Steffens.

- 1960's transistor radio on loan from Jeanne Steffens.
- 1987-88 picture of the teachers at Diamond Lake School.
- a St. Mary Annunciation picture signed by the artist.

RESULT:	[Yes 6, No 0, Abstained 0]
MOVER:	Commissioner Wendy Frasier
SECONDER:	Commissioner Tom Baur
AYES:	Michael Flynn, Tom Baur, Wendy Frasier, Anne Walker, Barb Zander, Jeffry Hayes
NAYS:	None
ABSTAIN:	None

Volunteer Hours

August, 2025 - 96 Hours

Museum Attendance

August, 2025 - Visitors 41

New Artifact Acquisitions

No report.

Other

2026 is the 60th anniversary of the Kirk Players. A commemorative display will replace the Old #1 display for 2026.

Presented for future consideration: replacement of one of the large white display cabinets with multiple smaller display cases.

NEW BUSINESS

Commission Vacancy - Applications

A second application has been received for the open position on the Commission. After discussion, it was decided to set September 30, 2025, as the cutoff for the submission of applications, with a date for meeting with the applicants to be set at the October 1, 2025, regular meeting of the Commission.

Other

Roadway Clean-up is scheduled for September 13, 2025, Commissioner Hayes will notify all Commissioners and docents.

OLD BUSINESS

Digital Site Map

No report.

Story Corps

Story Corps is on hold.

Digital Frame Display

Digital Frame - in process of loading pictures to be displayed.

Caboose

Timeline for completing repairs of Caboose is to be determined by MPRD.

Other

No report.

VILLAGE ADMINISTRATOR REPORT

Freedom will be the Village contact regarding sign-ups.

New business cards will be ordered for each Commissioner, with the only change being the email address.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion to Adjourn the Historical Commission Meeting. The meeting adjourned at 10:27 AM.

RESULT:	Passed [Yes 6, No 0, Abstained 0]
MOVER:	Commissioner Wendy Frasier
SECONDER:	Commissioner Tom Baur
AYES:	Michael Flynn, Tom Baur, Wendy Frasier, Anne Walker, Barb Zander, Jeffry Hayes
NAYS:	None
ABSTAIN:	None

Mike Flynn, Chairman