

CALL TO ORDER

The Mundelein Historical Commission meeting was held on Wednesday, April 3, 2024, at the Mundelein Village Hall. The meeting was called to order by Chairman Flynn at 9:00 AM.

ATTENDANCE

Mike Flynn, Wendy Frasier, Shawn Killackey (9:19 AM arrival), Ann Walker, Barbara Zander; Commission Candidate Tom Baur and Lynne Monroe Staff Liaison.

PUBLIC COMMENTARY

There was no public commentary.

PARK DISTRICT DIRECTOR'S REPORT

There was no report; Ron Salski was not present.

MINUTES APPROVAL

Approval of March Minutes - Exhibit 1

RESULT:	Passed [Yes 4, No 0, Abstained 0]
MOVER:	Historical Commissioner Barb Zander
SECONDER:	Historical Commissioner Wendy Frasier
AYES:	Wendy Frasier, Shawn Killackey, Anne Walker, Barb Zander
NAYS:	None
ABSTAIN:	None

CHAIRMAN'S REPORT AND OTHER COMMUNICATION

MUSEUM OPENING DAY

Chairman Flynn reported a good opening day with 12 visitors; guests commented on the great layout. Chairman Flynn thanked Commissioner Zander and Commissioner Frasier. Commissioner Zander was recognized for her excellent research and organization. Commissioner Zander commented on a guest's knowledge of the proper name and use of the ice plow outside the building that actually cuts ice.

MARCH RADIO SHOW

Commissioner Walker reported a great turn out, with national exposure from SPERDVAC and also interest from the Daily Herald.

HISTORICAL "POP-UP" TIGHTHEAD BREWERY MAY DATE SELECTION

Tighthead Brewery will host a pop-up, date is still TBD. Commissioner Zander suggested May 14th or May 21st. Members agreed socks would be given as prizes for this event.

HISTORICAL ALLIANCE MEETING - APRIL 17, 2024

Twenty to thirty people are expected to attend this event, that starts with a tour at the museum and a meeting at Village Hall, wrapping up with lunch at Tina G's. Coffee and juice will be served at the Village Hall. Commissioner Frasier confirmed she will be in attendance.

COMMISSION VACANCIES STATUS

Tom Baur meets with the mayor today and should be officially sworn at the April 22nd Board meeting. Chairman Flynn encouraged the others to reach out to people to generate interest.

CABOOSE PROJECT

Chairman Flynn reported this is still on the radar and Vern Lappe and Bob Ward are going to Union, IL for to a proposal for a caboose. Details to follow.

SPRING NEWSLETTER

Chairman Flynn has sent to Amy to organize. The newsletter will come out in April. In the future, Chairman Flynn will send content to Dawn Jenich who will put into the new template. Commissioner Frasier suggested they are printed for the counter at the museum, although it was noted the format does not always print well.

OTHER

Chairman Flynn reported that Countryside Golf Course will have an Addison Partridge Tribute at the clubhouse. Chairman Flynn will ask commissioners to approve photos to use at the tribute and also ask to be part of the unveiling.

HISTORICAL COMMISSION OPERATIONS

ARCHIVING - WENDY

No report as museum exhibits have been the focus. Commissioner Zander will focus on the museum library.

FACILITY MAINTENANCE

Commissioner Frasier reported a leak recently and that the Park District came out quickly and found repair needed in attic. Tape has been placed on floor where there are bumps to avoid trip hazards. Commissioner Frasier reported that Park District Director Salski plans to keep the roof and the floor on radar for budget.

Chairman Flynn suggested keeping Gary Gunther involved as he has offered to help (per email sent to all commissioners). Chairman Flynn suggested he perform duties such as wind the clock and check phone messages. He can provide some additional help while serving as a docent. Commissioner Zander recommended he not be involved in purchases and all agreed.

COLLECTIONS: ACCESSIONING / DEACCESSIONING - ANN

Commissioner Walker will accession the Rodeo Poster approved at prior meeting.

Commissioner Walker also had glass bottles previously presented and she will also accession those.

Members discussed the process for the Park District's involvement with approval when accessioning. The process for accessioning and deaccessioning needs to be organized.

Commissioner Zander questioned a Deed of Gift at the museum; Chairman Flynn confirmed a spear; Commissioner Frasier noted the deed had no Park District signature. Commissioner Walker will check for the accession number. Commissioner Frasier recommended that all Deed of Gifts be recorded with an accession number.

COLLECTIONS: COMMITTEE

Chairman Flynn discussed the need to have a full accession committee in order to accession any more items. The Accession Committee consists of two commissioners and one non-commissioner.

RESULT:	Passed [Yes 4, No 0, Abstained 0]
MOVER:	Historical Commissioner Anne Walker
SECONDER:	Historical Commissioner Wendy Frasier
AYES:	Wendy Frasier, Shawn Killackey, Anne Walker, Barb Zander
NAYS:	None
ABSTAIN:	None

COLLECTIONS: ITEM ACCEPTANCE-AREA COFFEE MUG

Commissioner Walker will present a new item: an Area coffee mug.

RESULT:	Passed [Yes 4, No 0, Abstained 0]
MOVER:	Historical Commissioner Wendy Frasier
SECONDER:	Historical Commissioner Barb Zander
AYES:	Wendy Frasier, Shawn Killackey, Anne Walker, Barb Zander
NAYS:	None
ABSTAIN:	None

COLLECTIONS: ITEM ACCEPTANCE-OLD CASSETTE TAPES

Commissioner Walker presented old cassette tapes and suggested they are good for the collection.

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SECONDER:	Historical Commissioner Barb Zander
AYES:	Wendy Frasier, Shawn Killackey, Anne Walker, Barb Zander
NAYS:	None
ABSTAIN:	None

VOLUNTEER HOURS/MUSEUM ATTENDANCE - SHAWN

Commissioner Killackey reported that the total volunteer hours for the month of March were 291. Attendance was 12 on the first day, 13 for Radio Days and a total of 37 for the month.

DOCENT SCHEDULE - SHAWN

Commissioner Killackey reported 14 docents staffing the museum is helpful. The schedule is filled for April except for two days: help is needed on April 10th and April 20th. Commissioner Frasier volunteered on April 10th and Chairman Flynn will open the museum on April 20th.

ROADWAY CLEANUP - SHAWN

The Historical Commission will take part in the Spring roadway clean-up on April 27th. They will meet at 8:00 AM at the Historical Museum. Commissioner Killackey will

supply bags and pickers and suggest wearing boots. The clean-up takes place three times a year (April, August, and October) for stretch of roadway from the museum to Route 45.

OTHER

No other report.

NEW BUSINESS

ILLINOIS STATE HISTORICAL SOCIETY AWARDS (EXHIBIT 2)

Chairman Flynn reported eligibility for this award in the exhibition category. Commissioner Frasier suggested the John Hynes display.

OTHER

Commissioner Frasier suggested a more prominent sign at the museum front door. Chairman Flynn will e-mail Rob with the Park District about options.

Commissioner Walker suggested the Historical Commission take part in the eclipse viewing at Kracklauer Park on April 8th at 12:30 PM.

Discussion regarding photo frames and the on/off mechanisms; frames are turning on randomly; a lock for a timer should be investigated.

Chairman Flynn led a discussion on the future use of a frame to chronicle the moving of the caboose. Commissioner Zander noted the photos would need to be scanned and uploaded via the frames app. Commissioner Zander recommended a new outlet to plug in the future frame display.

Chairman Flynn suggested a Facebook post or mayoral newsletter article to see if anyone in the community has a video of the move.

OLD BUSINESS

CEMETERY WALK - RESEARCH ASSIGNMENTS/DATE

Chairman Flynn reported no date is finalized, but the Kirk Players will be involved.

There will be coordination necessary as writers are secured, but not performers.

Chairman Flynn suggested August 24th or August 31st. Commissioner Killackey offered to fill in the stories with more details for 3-5 minutes total stories per decedent. Notes will be of these families and presented to the Kirk Players by June 1st. Chairman Flynn will contact Gary Shellenberger for researching. Commissioner Zander reminded the group of the need to allow for time on the schedule to move between the plots.

BOOK SIGNING - JUNE 15, 2024

Commissioner Killackey announced five authors for the June 15, 2024 book signing. Commissioner Zander invited John Hynes to attend. Tables will be set up out front for the event, with possible tents.

MCC PLANT EXCHANGE - JUNE 1, 2024

Chairman Flynn reported that MCC will be asking for a plant for a plant exchange and the June 1st Spring into Summer event (Event canceled shortly after this meeting).

WEBSITE MAP PROJECT

There was no update. Chairman Flynn to e-mail the list of chosen locations again.

STORY CORPS

There is no update.

LURE OF THE LOCAL

There is no update.

LANDSCAPE PLAN

Landscapers have the plan and suggestions from the commissioners. Chairman Zander suggests moving the indigo. Chairman Flynn will speak to Park District to get it approved.

OTHER

Nothing to report.

ADJOURNMENT

RESULT:	Passed [Yes 4, No 0, Abstained 0]
MOVER:	Historical Commissioner Shawn Killackey
SECONDER:	Historical Commissioner Anne Walker
AYES:	Wendy Frasier, Shawn Killackey, Anne Walker, Barb Zander
NAYS:	None

ABSTAIN:

Mike Flynn, Chairman