

**Minutes
Siouxland Heritage Museums
Board Meeting
Thursday, May 3, 2012
Old Courthouse Museum**

Present: Virgil Andersen, Marty DeWitt, Sandy Dean, Michelle Erpenbach, Ron Helwig, Mary Dean Janklow, Beth MacDonald, Pat McGreevy, Tim Schendel, Bill Hoskins, Robert Kolbe (President of the Minnehaha County Historical Society)

Absent: Glenda Schmid, Jeff Barth,

Tim Schendel called the meeting to order at 11:30 AM.

The minutes of the April Meeting were adopted as printed.

Public Input:

Copies of Newspaper articles were passed around. A thank you note from Tracy Seiner was also passed around to the Museum Board.

Reports:

Beth delivered the Alliance Report. The Pork Raffle is planned for the Flag Exhibit opening on June 14. Tickets go on sale May 14. Planning for the next Historic Homes Tour on July 19 is moving forward.

Bill Hoskins, Museum Director briefly reviewed the Financial Report for March and April, 2012 which was e-mailed to board members prior to the meeting. Bill also handed out a print out of the County General Fund Balances as of March 31.

Bill Hoskins, Museum Director presented the Director's Report for April including some highlights for the month. Highlights included:

- Overall attendance is up 5.2% over the same period last year.
- Volunteer of the Year Awards Banquet on April 12.
- CHIP Program successful.
- The sign for the Collections Center.

Regular Business

Sanford is planning a press conference on our land about their development on May 16. The sign for the Collections Center will be up prior to that time.

Bill handed out an e-mail from Bob Winkles and several maps. Bob is requesting the removal of soil from the right of way for 54th Street for use by Sanford in their

development. Virgil moved that the museum board endorse the proposal provided that the proposal be prepared on letterhead with appropriate attachments to make it clear what the end grade will be, the approximate volume of soil to be removed, and the condition the ground is to be left in at the conclusion of the project. The motion was seconded by Michelle. Discussion included a request for an approximate value of this in-kind donation by Sanford in the preparation of the Museum site. The motion passed on vote.

Michelle moved that the Director should conduct research on the necessary procedure required to sell a parcel of land, the land's potential value and report back to the Museum Board at the June Board Meeting. The motion was seconded by Marty. The motion passed on vote.

The Siouxland Heritage Museums will be hosting the Chamber Mixer at the Old Courthouse Museum on February 12, 2013. Jeff Hazard, Koch Hazard Architects has agreed to cosponsor the event and pay half.

The meeting Adjourned at 12:34 PM.

Museum Mission: *“The Siouxland Heritage Museums is dedicated to enhancing the experience of learning for our community, its families and visitors through collections, preservation and interpretation of history”*