

BEAVER ISLAND HISTORICAL SOCIETY
BOARD OF DIRECTOR'S REGULAR MEETING
PRINT SHOP MUSEUM

September 17, 2020 at 7:00 PM

- I. Come to Order, Roll-Call, Quorum - Angel Welke, President
 - A. Angel Welke, Tracy Paquin, Craig Turnbull, Bobbi Welke, Jacque LaFreniere, Sheri Timsak, Dick Mulvahill, Maeve Green, Lori Taylor-Blitz, Joe Calian, Mark Engelsman, Alan Vicstein
 - B. The meeting was called to order at 7:00 pm.
- II. Call for agenda additions
 - A. Tracy made a motion to approve the agenda. Maeve seconded. The motion was approved.
- III. President's Report - Angel Welke
 - A. Welcome new board members
 1. At the October meeting, we will review the bylaws and strategic plan.
 2. Tracy and Angel have been working on reviewing our insurance coverage. An update will be given at the October meeting.
 - B. Grand reveal of Print Shop for the community
 1. October 16, 17, 18 will be an opening. We will limit to 10 visitors at a time. Visitors will sign up by appointment, and board members will lead tours. We will have some exhibits set up by that time.
 2. Potentially, we will do a large grand opening next year.
 - C. Maintenance Committee
 1. Joe Calian/ Craig Turnbull will co-chair the maintenance committee.
 - D. Museum Operations
 1. Tracy will continue to lead the museum operations committee.
 2. Dick Mulvihill will join Alan Vicstein with IT work for the society
- IV. Reports of Officers
 - A. Board meeting minutes approval - Maeve Green
 1. 7/16/2020 regular meeting
 - a) Angel made a motion to approve the minutes. Sheri seconded. The motion has been approved.
 - B. Finance Committee - Bobbi Welke
 1. 8/31/20 Financial Report
 2. Bobbi made a motion to move \$10,000 from the Operations Account to the Capital Account. The Small Business Restart Grant of \$10,000 will replace the Operation Account funds. Tracy seconded the motion. The motion was approved.
 - C. Development Committee
 1. Lori is working on an October 1 grant for the Charlevoix County Community Foundation
 - D. Museum Operations - Tracy Paquin

1. In a typical year, we are open 7 days a week during peak. This year we were open 3 days a week, for a shorter season. We had 16 docents. There were over 1,000 visitors at the Marine Museum, and over 700 at the Print Shop. We will be open Fridays and Saturdays in September. The docents did a great job of following Covid procedures.
2. Dick suggested having a column on the museum sign in sheet for island connection.

E. Maintenance Committee

1. Craig has been maintaining Heritage Park. Eventually, it would be nice to have exhibit space in the barn. Lori and Craig have been talking about a grant to get signage for the items at Heritage Park.

F. Construction Update

1. The crew has another couple days worth of work. The kitchen sink will be installed this weekend. Next week, the outdoor drain will be put in. They will also begin the landscaping. The middle display (made of island wood) still needs to be constructed.
2. Everything that we have stored at McDonough Construction needs to be moved by September 28.
3. Phase 3 of the museum project
 - a) Phase 3 of the building project is the old Print Shop. We have had to cut items from this due to funding. To operate the Print Shop next summer we have about 8 projects that will need to be completed. This will amount to about \$33,000.
 - (1) Electric, heat, flooring, and insulation are the big items.
 - (2) The interior foundation will need to be checked, which could potentially add some cost.
 - b) A tree fell on the porch, and it will be fixed in the next few days by the McDonough Construction crew.

G. Marketing Committee

1. Some members of the board took Lois Stipp to the Lodge in recognition of her many years of hosting the art show.

H. Director's Report

1. Matthew finished the Carl D. Bradley exhibit at the Marine Museum.
2. BIHS has a Youtube channel.
3. An anonymous donor offered \$5,000 to fund a women's history exhibit.
 - a) The first 4 women have been chosen.
 - (1) Ruth Ann Bedford
 - (2) First woman to vote
 - (3) Betty Cull Lockton
 - (4) Antje Price
4. Lori has been working on the Helen Collar exhibit. The sketches have all been framed. 6 more have been found.
5. The archipelago and natural history exhibit will be ready in the spring. Wil

Cwikiel is doing the natural history exhibit.

6. The NMU exhibit is just waiting on a couple more pictures. The last piece of that grant is student install of the exhibit. Due to Covid, they are not sure when they will be here.

7. The graveyard talks went well. We averaged at least 60 at each talk.

I. Good for the Society

1. At some point, a dumpster may be brought to the island to clean up the Beaver Head Lighthouse.

2. BIHS was offered the sawmill building from the Marina. Kevin McDonough took a look at the building. The base plate is rotted, and Kevin doesn't believe that it can be moved without falling apart.

3. Museum hours end on September 26th.

4. Sally Fogg donated a painting by Kay Masini.

5. Jacque suggested creating another volume of Beaver Island history.

Jacque, Sheri, and Maeve will work on this.

J. Adjournment - next meeting October 15, 2020

K. Angel made a motion to adjourn. Sheri seconded. The motion was approved. The meeting was adjourned at 8:01.