
Full Board Meeting

July 8, 2024

Attendees: Lori Taylor-Blitz, Angel Welke, Jacque LaFreniere, Sue Screven, Sheri Timsak, Craig Turnbull, Joe Callain, George Broder, Alan Vicstein.

Agenda was approved. Motion/ Jacque Second/Joe

Minutes from the June meeting were approved. Motion/ Alan Second Jacque

Notes

- **President's Report**

- It took 5 weeks to receive the 990 form from our current accounting firm.
- We discussed the outstanding payment of \$3,300 and made a motion to offer \$2,000 because of mistakes that were made in Lori's paychecks. Motion /Jacque Second/Sue
- Angel has spent many hours documenting the problems they created.
- Lori and Lu are going to Petoskey to meet with new accountants this week.
- We will ask for \$500 to reimburse Lori for the short paycheck.
- We will be sure to get a written confirmation of our last payment to McLane Blachford .


- **Operations Report**

- We will move Building Funds to Lighthouse Funds
- \$3,500 to Operations and \$4,000 for payroll.
- The new balance will be \$20,000.
- Peaine Township owes the Society \$13,000 in matching funds.
- All of this will cover upcoming expenses. Motion/Jacque Second/Alan

- **Treasurer's Report**

- Northern Islander subscriptions are increasing.
 - We need to order a new batch of Beaver Island History Volume 1.
 - Income from grants has slowed significantly this year. Many are filing and as a result they are closing early.
 - The MDARD grant went to Peaine Township.
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- Past due memberships will be pursued.
- Report approved. Motion/Alan Second Sue.
- **Maintenance Report**
- HGTV will be coming soon to make plans for the renovations.
- There were concerns about whether the tower should be closed while they work, since there are some liability issues.
- We will need a representative to be at the lighthouse while work is taking place.
- We need to get the key back from Lonnie.
- Craig will research lighthouse standards of safety from the Lighthouse Keepers Association.
- **Marine Museum**
- Painting of the Bob S. will be in August.
- The side deck of the museum has moss growing on it and needs to be sprayed.
- The broken weathervane needs to be disposed of.
- The nets in the Bob S. need to be removed.
- Kevin McDonough will return on 7/15 or 7/23 to finish work.
- **Development**
- Top donors will be invited to the annual meeting for a "Thank You " reception.
- The reference library is open in the upstairs room at the Print Shop.
- Posters for the lighthouse and Protar's house contributions are being printed.
- **Northern Islander**
- The theme of the next edition of the Beaver Beacon will focus on the 100th anniversary of the sinking of the SS Clifton.
- Angel will write the Print Shop Perspective for the August newspaper.
- The August NI will have the first "beat" report about broadband on the island.
- Glen Felix is upset because there is no guarantee he will have an article in every edition of the NI. He is bad-mouthing the BIHS, saying he was banned. This is not true and we may need to meet with him on this issue.
- **Director's Report**
- There will be an Archeology Road Show in August.

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- Brian Carol and Chris Soriano will give talks on The “House of David” on Aug. 23 and 24 at 7:00 pm.
 - Items may be sold to raise additional funds.

At the time of this meeting, the next meeting was scheduled for August 5 at 2:00 and 3:00.

Motion to adjourn by Jacque/seconded by Alan.