



NOVI HISTORICAL COMMISSION

APRIL Minutes
Wednesday, April 19, 2023
Novi Library Local History

CALL TO ORDER: 7:02 pm

ATTENDANCE: Rachel Manela, Kim Nice, Debbie Wrobel, Sharon Larson

ABSENT: Dan Pierce, Kelly Kasper, Kathy Crawford

INTRODUCTION OF GUESTS: Betty Lang (Library Liaison), Sue Grifor (Guest)

APPROVAL OF AGENDA: APPROVED

APPROVAL OF MARCH MINUTES: APPROVED

TREASURER’S REPORT- Kim

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 FINANCIAL SUMMARY REPORT - 2022/2023

	BUDGET	EXPENDITURES Through April 18, 2023	
Display Cabinet Exhibit	\$ 900	\$ (189.70)	
Marketing/Brochures/Engage/Name Badges	\$ 1,100	\$ -	
Equipment/Supplies/Office/Upgrades/Repairs	\$ 1,200	\$ (1,074.00)	
Program/Speaker Fees	\$ 900	\$ (450.00)	
Storage Unit	\$ 2,800	\$ (2,652.00)	
Acquisition (Books/Materials)	\$ 500	\$ -	
Conference/Continuing Education	\$ 2,000	\$ (722.60)	
Legal Fees	\$ 1,000	\$ -	
Special Projects Examples: Villa Barr, Photography, Veterans Sign, Oral Histories, City/Community Events, Motor City Marker)	\$ 3,600	\$ (350.00)	
Total:	\$ 14,000	\$ (5,438.30)	\$ 8,562
Equitable Projects	Expenditures	Revenue Received	
Villa Barr Book Sales YTD		\$0.00 YTD	
Wreaths Across Novi Project	\$ 2,050.96	\$ 2,150.00	\$ 897.38 carryover funds

Treasurer’s Report: ALL APPROVED

LIBRARY LIAISON REPORT:

Archival Supply Request: Betty Lang is requesting \$300 for archival supplies. The supplies include small boxes for photos, tissues, paper, rolls/tubes for blueprints and maps. She will bring an estimate to the next meeting for approval.

Walled Lake Book: Author that visited last year asking for info on Walled Lake Amusement Park has a book coming out next month.

Historical Commission Historical Minutes: Kathy Mutch gave Betty Historical Commission minutes from 1989 – 1992.

Local History Room Table Repairs: The library is still getting back to the Commission on who can perform repairs on the History Room’s tables.

Display Items In Local History Room: Betty has set up a table in the local history room with blueprint designs and preservation renderings. This includes images from the Novi Civic Center in 1986.

Document Donation Days:

Sunday, May 21 (2-4 p.m.): Debbie Wrobel and Sharon Larson

Sunday, Oct. 22 (2-4 p.m.): TBD

History Room Office Hours:

Monday, 5/1 (2 – 4 p.m.): Kim Nice and Debbie Wrobel

DISCUSSION ITEMS:

Michigan in Perspective Conference: All attendees will provide a write up on the sessions they attended and speakers they listened to at the March conference.

Spring-Palooza: The theme is amusement parks. Kim and Debbie will manage. The event takes place on Friday, May 19. The stickers have been delivered. The Commission approved a reimbursement for Rachel Manela (\$309.60).

Novi Historical Sites Brochure Review: Still waiting on the City of Novi design team to provide the updates/revisions to the latest version of the brochure. Dan will follow up with the City again.

Upcoming Historical Programs:

- Wed., May 24 – Female Union Soldier in Disguise
- Sept. program might be Midnight and the Detroit Underground Railroad (was originally February program but needed to be rescheduled)

ONGOING PROJECTS:

Novi Woods Elementary 50th Anniversary: There is a kickoff meeting for the 50th anniversary of Novi Woods on Thursday, May 11 at 4:15 p.m. Kelly Kasper and Kathy Crawford will attend.

USO Show Update: Historical Commission members to help organize the event which was moved to summer. Kim & Sue have been asked to do an additional display case to advertise the event. Kim Nice will speak to the organizers about recognizing the Commission's support.

Display Case: Ken Stevens will use the display case from June 12 – Aug. 14 to display David Barr artifacts.

Miniature Project – Kathy is planning the next meeting.

NEW BUSINESS:

Please bring any new ideas to the Commission first for consideration and implementation.

PUBLIC COMMENT: None

NEXT MEETING: May 17, 2023 at 7 p.m.

ADJOURN: 8:26 p.m.