

Hamilton County Historical Society
September 2023 Board Meeting
Tuesday September 5th, 2023, 6:30PM
Hamilton East Public Library
One Library Square
Noblesville, IN 46060

In Attendance:

Diane Nevitt Museum Director*
David Heighway Hamilton County Historian
Nancy Massey Hamilton County Genealogist

Jessica Layman President
Katherine Murray Vice President
Vernon Young Treasurer
Sandra Lynch Secretary

Dan Dunham Member
Brian Glover Member
Sharon McMahon Member*
Janet Phillips Member *
Stan Renner Member
Dale Unger Member
Dottie Young Member

*Indicates member was absent
Quorum is present

Meeting was called to order at 6:30 PM by President Jessica Layman

Approval of minutes motion made by: Stanton Renner and seconded by David Heighway
Abstain - Bryan Glover

TREASURER'S REPORT

Vernon Young

SEPTEMBER 5, 2023

KEYBANK CHECKING

Our current balance is \$3,547.98. We received several noteworthy deposits in August: 1.) dues payments of \$260, including one life membership, 2.) \$300 from Indy Discover Club of Fishers for a private tour, 3.) \$95.20 from American On-line Giving, and a \$4,000 transfer from our Stifel account, mostly for bicentennial expenses.

Notable expenses last month included: 1) \$45 for sign printing, 2.) \$2,669.91 for the remaining installment toward the Susan B. Anthony speaker, and 3.) \$130.29 for treasurer supplies-reorder of checks and preprinted duplicate deposit slips.

STIFEL INVESTMENTS

Our total balance at the end of August was \$155,816.53. Of that total we hold \$5,341.58 in money market checking. That amount is much lower than shown in the July report, because of the \$4,000 transfer to KeyBank. By comparison, our total value at the end of July was \$164,397.50.

Motion to Approve by Katie Murray and seconded by Dan Dunham.

Museum Director Report Present by Dottie Young for Diane Nevitt

Museum Visitors 135 came through in August 2023.

The AC unit on the 2nd floor had a leak, Beaver Heating and Cooling was called in to fix it.

Alarm system - Dale Unger helped with the Alarm system, they need to make one more trip to get it finished.

Historian Report - David Heighway

Pleasant Street Bridge – The city and county decorated the concrete base of the bridge

Link to Pleasant Street video: <https://fb.watch/nptGZP1gNd/>

Link to Noblesville Trailblazers: <https://fb.watch/nptGZP1gNd/>

Beatrice O'Neil - African American newspaper here in Noblesville She ran a program similar to 4H, but it had to be different, segregated. She published a newspaper in the 1920's , published 4 editions of the paper. She is buried in Riverside Cemetery in Noblesville

Research trip - Carmel Composer – Frederick Hunt

David took a weeklong trip to upstate New York.

Found the grave for Frederick Hunt in New York, his wife outlived him. She is buried in Logansport IN, as a ward of the state. From Carmel, he was a classical composer. He wrote a lot of original music. David has some of these recordings.

Presidents Report – Jessica Layman

Bicentennial merchandise will soon be available in our Gift Shop.

Recap of the Bicentennial Events put on by HCHS members:

Dottie Young - Hamilton County Fabric Arts Show held at the Trustees Community Room.

Diane Nevitt – A History of Farming Present and Past in Wayne County

Both events were very well attended and had a great response from the community.

September 10th 2:00 - Play - Preservation Alliance Building on Logan Street- John Wise wrote a play Dottie Young will be in the play along with other Community Leaders.

Outdoor Exhibit - Abby and David came up with pairs of people for the exhibit.
Looking at local sign companies so that it can be completed.

Old Business

Lease language update - Lee Buckingham responded thanks but did not respond other than that.

September events at the Museum and downtown in partnership with Noblesville Main Street and Noblesville Preservation Alliance.

Upstairs Downtown - Friday evening September 15th, 2023. Museum will be open.

Historic home tour – Saturday September 16th, 2023. Museum will be open

Stanton Renner -

Sheridan Historical Society

Sunday October 15th 2:00

Meet there at 2:00

Newsletter

Give them a donation of \$50.00.

New Business

Santa House Dates

Thursdays- nobody shows up as a rule until 12/14 and 12/21

Starts November 25th, Saturday - is the tree lighting day. Sunday the 26th of November

Unseen Press Ghost hunt this Saturday September 9th at 7:30

December 3rd – Hamilton County Turns 200 Bicentennial end of year event 1- 5 at Ivy Tech

Have a table at the event

Saturday December 2nd - Hamilton County Historical Society Annual Meeting

Sid Davis -lets meet at his barn soon - maybe a spring meeting.

Plat books that we can get from the library. We can give the library a donation for this

Oral histories – Sandy Lynch and Nancy Massey are starting the oral interviews

Discussed parking for a moment. Dale Unger stated how parking is only for two hours if you go to the Museum during the week.

Meeting called to a close at 7:55 PM