

**Dodge County Historical Society Board of Directors Meeting Minutes**  
**7:00 PM at the Museum, Mantorville**  
**March 18, 2010**

**Board Members Present:** Sue Harwood, Bob Peterson, Vicki Peterson, Ron Ballstadt, Dale Morris, John Kvasnicka, Scott French and Museum Director Cheryl Finnegan.

**Board Members Absent:** Tom Gall and Faye Richter

1. **Meeting called to order** by President Sue Harwood at 7:03pm, at the DCHS Museum.
2. **Visitors to Board** – Thelma Givan, and Mary Ann Bucher.
3. **Additions and/or Amendments to Agenda** - none
4. **Approve Minutes – February 18, 2010 Meeting.** John Kvasnicka made the motion to approve the minutes. The motion was second be Dale Morris. The motion passed unanimously.
5. **Treasurer’s Report** – Bob Peterson reviewed the report with the board and announced that the late fee fines for last years’ 9-90 to the IRS was forgiven. Dale Morris asked about getting out of the contract with Tri-state for the copier we don’t use. Bob Peterson said that he was still working on that and also getting bids for the alarm system. Ron Ballstadt made the motion to approve the treasurer’s report. John Kvasnicka second the motion. The motion passed unanimously. John Kvasnicka asked about the 1884 County History books, the Friends of Wasioja wishes to buy some from the DCHS museum. Cheryl Finnegan checked to see how many copies that we have. There was only one copy. President Sue Harwood instructed Cheryl to check with the publisher about reordering more copies.
6. **Museum Monthly Sales & Visitor Report** – Cheryl Finnegan gave report.
7. **Museum Directors Report** – Cheryl Finnegan went over her facilities assessment report with the board. There was discussion about grants that are available for repairs and projects.
8. **Committee Reports**
  - 8.1. Annual Meeting Committee – Sue Harwood reviewed the plans for the upcoming meeting.
  - 8.2. Dodge County Expo Committee – Cheryl Finnegan talked about ideas of what to take for the booth at the expo. There will be a drawing for a free membership to the historical society at the booth.
  - 8.3. Nomination Committee – Sue Harwood said that we have three board members up for re-election.
  - 8.4. Wasioja Restoration Committee- Jan Luehmann nor any member of that committee was there to give a report. Sue Harwood talked about

the playground. Sue also brought up about the lost key for the Wasioja church building. After some discussion, John Kvasnicka made the motion to replace the lock on the church building door. Ron Ballstadt second the motion. The motion past unanimously. John Kvasnicka and Dale Morris said that they would replace the locks.

## **9. Old Business**

- 9.1.** Seminary Report – Tom Gall was absent so there was no report.
- 9.2.** Updated Committees List – Vicki Peterson reported that she had updated the Committees list and planned to have signup sheets at the annual meeting for the membership to be able to volunteer to serve on different committees and be involved with some of the upcoming projects.

## **10. New Business**

- 10.1** Approval of 2010 ZBR Budget – The board members reviewed the budget for this years' rendezvous. John Kvasnicka made the motion to accept the 2010 ZBR budget. Ron Ballstadt second the motion. The motion was passed unanimously.
- 10.2** Emergency Door for Lower Level – Bob Peterson explained the problem with the doors down stairs and what he has done to correct the situation. Bob had replaced the deadbolt lock on the interior door and will put a slid bolt lock on the inside of the outside door.
- 10.3** Front Steps of Museum - Bob Peterson described the problem with the front entrance and steps. After some discussion, the conversation moved on to the parking lot area.
- 10.4** Parking Lot Area – Bob Peterson made recommendations as to what needs to be done. After some discussion, President Sue Harwood directed the Land & Facilities Committee to meet and get quotes for the front entrance, by the next board meeting and have recommendations for what should be done with the parking lot.

- 11. Adjourn** – Ron Ballstadt made the motion to adjourn the meeting. John Kvasnicka second the motion. The motion passed. The meeting was adjourned at 8:10pm.