

**CITY OF SALEM
HISTORICAL COMMISSION
Tuesday, Feb 21, 2023
5:00 P.M.
Salem Area Historical Museum**

CALL TO ORDER

The Historical Commission met on Tuesday, February 21, 2023, at the Salem Area Historical Museum. Frank Brinkerhoff called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m. in the presence of commission members Diane Eller, Mark Larimer, Luke Purcell, Myron Lloyd, Councilman Jim Koehler and recording Secretary Cindy Eller.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Luke Purcell made a motion to approve the minutes. Diane Eller seconded the motion. All members present were in favor and the motion carried.

TREASURER'S REPORT

The Treasurer's report for November 2022, December 2022 and January 2023 were provided by the City of Salem Finance Director, Keli Barrow. Luke Purell made a motion to accept the Treasurer's reports for all three months. Diane Eller seconded the motion. All members present were in favor and the motion carried.

CORRESPONDENCE

Diane Eller told the Commission that she was contacted by SCHS teacher Ivy Balla requesting her class tour the Bryan Home and Museum on March 16. Luke Purcell and Frank Brinkhoff both stated they could be there for this. Diane will notify Ivy Balla to let her know.

BUSINESS

William Jennings Bryan's birthday is March 19 so the Bryan Home and Museum will have an Open House at each from 1:00 – 3:00. After 3:00, Frank Brinkerhoff will give a speech at the Presbyterian Church using the historic podium

COMMISSION MEMBER'S REPORT

Luke Purcell reported that plans were moving forward quickly for the Bi-Centennial celebration to be held Saturday, July 1, at Bryan Memorial Park. Events are planned all day with bands starting at 3:00 pm. Mark Larimer suggested having actors, similar to the Cemetery Tour, "parked" under trees throughout the park with performances every 15 minutes. Mark also suggested contacting groups such as Rotary, Lions Club etc. to have displays of their history set up in a pavilion for people to view.

Diane Eller suggested Suzanne Henry to fill the open seat created by the passing of member Don Mills. It was the consensus of the Commission for Diane to speak to Suzanne to see if she would be willing to serve.

Frank Brinkerhoff asked for a moment of silence for Don Mills.

The next Historical Commission meeting will be Monday, March 13 in order to finalize plans for the March 19th Open House. Election of officers will be held at this meeting.

ADJOURNMENT

Luke Purcell made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 5:50 p.m.

Recording Secretary
Cindy Eller