

**CITY OF SALEM
HISTORICAL COMMISSION
Mon., October 17, 2022
5:00 P.M.
Salem Area Historical Museum**

CALL TO ORDER

The Historical Commission met on Monday, October 17, 2022 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, Megan Holler, Luke Purcell, Councilman Jim Koehler and recording Secretary Cindy Eller.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

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

TREASURER'S REPORT

The Treasurer's report for September 2022 provided by the City of Salem Finance Director, Keli Barrow, was reviewed by members.

CORRESPONDENCE

Frank Brinkerhoff read a letter from Betty Purcell stating that she is thankful for the opportunity to serve with each of the Board member on the Salem Historical Commission. Purcell stated that even though she is moving to a different community, she will always be a "friend" of the museum and the City of Salem.

BUSINESS

Councilman Jim Koehler told the Commission that the Bryan Home will not be painted until next spring because temperatures must be above 50 degrees for the paint.

Diane Eller talked to Mayor Farley about creating a "Friends of Museum" group. Mayor Farley will review the process. Diane also questioned whether the Historical Commission has a budget? Megan Holler stated she would create one and bring to next month's meeting. Diane also said Mayor Farley had talked to Myron Lloyd about the Historical Commission but nothing was final yet.

COMMISSION MEMBER'S REPORT

Diane Eller reported that the Cemetery Tours was a success with only a few headaches. She commended the performers for the time they put into their parts. Eller also stated that the City Cemetery workers were great to work with.

Luke Purcell stated he is working on "thank you" cards from the Cemetery Tour. Purcell is also thinking ahead to next year's tour, possibly using a wagon type to increase the number of people that could attend. Purcell would also like to get together with the actors next year after the final tour to "brain storm" about the event. It was suggested that next year we could get the address and email address for persons attending to use for future mailings.

Frank Brinkerhoff told the commission that he had a box of communications between Otis Davidson, Frank Davidson's father, and the University of Illinois that he planned to donate to U of I.

Luke Purcell stated he was contacted by Tabitha Meador with the City of Salem regarding participation in the upcoming Christmas Program being held December 3. Diane Eller suggested paper stockings for kids to color and hang in the Museum. Luke Purcell said he would "head up" this event with the museum possibly open from 3 pm – 5 pm. There will be more discussion at next month's meeting.

ADJOURNMENT

Luke Purcell made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 5:45 p.m.

Recording Secretary
Cindy Eller

Historical Commission

October

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City of Salem Salem Area Historical Commission

September	Excess Revenue		\$17,398.25
	Revenue		
	Donations		
		Donations at Museum	\$90.00
		Transfer from Tourism	\$2,000.00
	TOTAL REVENUE	October	<u>\$2,090.00</u>
	Expenditures		
		Dennis Clifton (Bryan Home Bldg Maint.)	\$ 40.00
		Little Egypt Golf Cars (East Lawn Cemetery Tour)	\$ 1,350.00
	TOTAL EXPENDITURES	October	<u>\$1,390.00</u>
October	EXCESS REVENUE OVER EXPENDITURES		\$18,098.25
		Reserved - Bryan Home Improvements	\$16,539.93
		Unreserved	\$1,558.32

Please let me know if you have any questions or comments.

Sincerely,

Keli Barrow
Director of Finance