

The Pulaski Area Historical Society Meeting Monday, June 28, 2021

Present: Larry Puzen, Rock Mannigel, Pam Mannigel, Steve Peplinski, Maria Deau, Mike Brzezinski, Norine Heuser, Tammy Brzeczowski, Roger Brzeczowski, Ed Krause, Steve Karcz, Ron Maroszek

Excused: Chris Jaworski

Call Meeting To Order: The PAHS June, 2021 meeting was called to order by President, Larry Puzen. The secretary's minutes from the meeting in May were reviewed. A motion to approve the secretary's report was made by Steve Peplinski. Pam Mannigel seconded it. All in favor. Motion carried.

Treasury's Report: Norine Heuser shared the Treasurer's report. A motion to approve the treasurer's report was made by Rock Mannigel. Ron Maroszek seconded it. All in favor. Motion carried.

Endowment Fund: The organization account is now open and you can now deposit money!

Communications and Comments: Nsight has renewed our yearly free internet. Thank you!

OLD BUSINESS

Scanning Project: We have an average of 52 visitors a day on the archives website and over 1,000 views. Steve P. is still figuring out how to get SSL on the archives website and is also working on getting backups of all the scanned photos, website, and Past Perfect database.

Website: There was a peak on June 14 for activity on the website. There are: 240 users, 233 new users, 278 sessions, 1.79 sessions per user, 497 page views, 1.39 session duration(how much time people spend on the website), and 144 organic searches.

Newsletter: The Summer newsletter has been sent out!

Brick Sales: Pam M. is getting 11 more bricks printed and we will then have 29 new additions to our bricks!

Building Projects: Rock M. found out that since the museum is a commercial building, there are different building permits for it and we have to get a slightly heavier steel to meet regulation. The cost of steel went up 10% after June 27, but the steel was ordered before the price increase! It will be a little more expensive than anticipated but we are still proceeding with the project. The concrete will have to be poured before the siding can be put in place. We also might consider putting double doors in the back of the museum.

Road Rally: The 21st road rally will be happening August 21! The PAHS will be participating in the event and will be at Mountain Bay Bar & Grill. There will be a display and presentations.

Board Member Comments:

- We have a new student from the high school that will be taking over for Lillie from the Pulaski News
- We have 3 volunteers ready to volunteer if we need them.

NEW BUSINESS

Board Vacancy: We will have to look for someone interested in filling the rest of Mr. Jerlings's term(until 2023)

Float for Polka Days: Nathan Newman doesn't want to be on the float this year. We might use Roger's tractor. Chris, Tammy, and Maria will discuss some ideas. We might also use some polish costumes or put Casimir on the float. The museum is going to be open on Saturday from 10-4 and Sunday from 1-3. Pam will call her volunteers.

Museum Renovation: We are continuing to go through and clean out/organize the attic. The actual museum has not been touched yet. We will wait until after Polka Days weekend to start packing up the downstairs and hauling everything upstairs. Once the walls are taken out of the downstairs, the floor will be replaced with tiled carpet.

Curator's Report:

- A family found us through the archives and would like to do some research on their family.
- The 1st Karcz dealership is what the library is today.
- While cleaning out the attic, we found a signature book from the early 1900's
- Found postal orders in a ledger for the Rose Lawn Post. This was a newspaper from Milwaukee that was banned by the priest's of the Pulaski Area. They threatened that the people of the parish that ordered this newspaper would be banned from attending Mass.
- Working on reorganizing the attic
- Working on more research for shrines
- Working on the grant for the Polish-American uniform
- Wrote thank you letters to donors.

Comments/Communications:

- Gosia from the Polish Heritage Society is doing a "Polish Experience" at her house. If you'd like more information, we will have it on our website.

Adjournment: Norine Heuser made a motion to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Ron Maroszek. All in favor. Motion was carried.

Next meeting: July 26, 2021 in the PACE room at Glenbrook!

