Historic House Meeting Minutes February 26, 2024

Members Present: Trustee Mike Light - Chairman

Sue Light

Jeanette Wilson William Wilson John Staffa Beverly Pappas

Jessica Maricich – Staff

The meeting was called to order at 6:37 p.m.

As this was second meeting of the new Historic House Committee all members introduced themselves.

Budget – A discussion took place regarding the updated budget numbers that being proposed. The budget would cover the costs of printing/binding, fire protection, security monitoring, operating supplies/holiday decorations, miscellaneous repairs, membership dues, and civic activities (tours & events). There was a longer discussion regard the piano player and whether or not it was worth getting it fixed. Since the cost was estimated to be a minimum of \$3,000, the committee decided that it was not worth the cost.

Events – Summer Open Houses were discussed. The dates and times have been set: June 22, July 27, and August 24 from 10:00 am to 1:00 pm and on September 28 from 12:00 pm – 4:00 pm (during the Harvest Fest event). There was discussion on adding themes to the Open House to make it more fun and unique. The library is also willing to partner with the Historic House Committee on an event to promote it.

The Historic House Committee decided it would like to be apart of the Harvest Fest event and will likely have a pumpkin patch at the event. The committee also discussed hosting a Halloween event potentially including a scary story, a graveyard outside, and a haunted hay ride. There was further discussion on the Victorian Christmas/ Christkindlmarkt including getting sponsorships from local businesses and passing out themed mini mugs to all attendees.

Upcoming Items – A list of items to be undertaken was discussed including:

- 2020 Wall needs new letters and numbers, an explanation for the shovel, adding the renaming of the Senior Center to the Linda Jackson Center for Senior Citizens
- Building and property repairs need to be undertaken including back porch door lock needs looking at, replacing the TV in museum and having past state of the Villages played, cleaning the upstairs toilet, and updating the QR codes,

Next Meeting – A discussion to set the next meeting took place and the date was decided to be Monday, March 25th at 6:30 pm at the Historic House.

Adjournment - The meeting was adjourned at 7:41 pm.