

Historic House Committee Meeting Minutes August 5, 2024

Members Present: Trustee Mike Light - Chairman
Sue Light
Jeanette Wilson
Bill Wilson
John Staffa
Bev Pappas
Keith Knautz - Staff
Jessica Maricich – Staff

The meeting was called to order at 6:34 p.m. The following are the minutes from the August monthly meeting for the Historic House Committee. At this meeting, the committee discussed the previous Open House, the upcoming Open House events, Harvest Fest (pumpkin Patch) and Victorian Christmas.

Open House (Emergency Services) – The second Historic House Open House happened on Saturday, July 27. The Glendale Heights Police Department and Glenside Fire Protection District partnered with the Committee on this event and provided historical items from their departments. It is estimated that we had 20 people in attendance. For the next Open House, we need to push out more advertising to get a larger crowd. The next Open House is on August, Saturday, 24 and we will be partnering with the Linda Jackson Center for Senior Citizens who will be providing vintage candy as a giveaway item.

Memberships – Recreation Supervisor Jessica Maricich proposed for the Historic House to be a part of the DuPage County Historical Society and the Historic Reservation Division. Jessica is still working on this application. John also presented the “Passport to Adventure” Illinois Kane-DuPage Counties: A Guide to the Museums & Nature Centers in Kane & DuPage Counties. This is something Jessica will look more into and see if the Historic House is able to be a part of the passport booklet.

Uniforms – Luisa from the PR Department is still working on the logo for the shirt.

Events

- **Summer Open Houses:** reviewed the past event and discussed how it can improve.
- **Harvest Fest:** The committee will have a pumpkin patch at Harvest Fest.
- **Victorian Christmas / Christkindl market:**
 - Work with Fire District about tent requirements
 - A police officer will talk to the nearby businesses to see if they will allow us to utilize their parking lot during the event
 - Library booked Carolers for the event
 - Vendors from the Seasonal Market and Harvest Fest are being invited to the event
 - Have a photo area for families (perhaps on the porch) – having them take the photos with their phones

Facilities/Repairs – 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
- Cleaning up the upstairs office
- Organizing the basement
- Adding “Do Not Touch” Signs

Next Meeting – A discussion to set the next meeting took place and the date was decided to be Monday, September 16 at 6:30 pm at the Historic House.

Adjournment - The meeting was adjourned at 7:26 pm.