

Union County Historical Society
“Exploring Union County’s Past to Inform the Present and Future”
Board Meeting Minutes
19 May 2020

Welcome and Roll Call - Bruce Teeple called the meeting to order via Zoom with Mary Kay Harper, Louise Knight, Mike Molesevich, Jeff Reber, Eli Reiff, Darren Rhyne, and Matt Wagner present, thus constituting a quorum to conduct business.

- Bruce welcomed Sarah Mahoney, a junior from Lewisburg High School, as an ex officio Board member.
- Financial and Programming Administrator Dan Bower also participated.
- Phyllis Dyer, Conor Emery, Barb Franck and Kathy Swope were unable to participate.

Annual Audit

- On a motion by Matt and Louise, the Board agreed to pay Brubaker \$6,000 for aligning our financials with the new accounting system. (This was after a \$2,000 discount)
- Matt will contact Brubaker and ask them to investigate and resolve the IRS penalty issue.

Secretary’s Report – Kathy wishes to make the following correction to the draft of the March minutes. *“I raised the issue that we have had greater expenses than revenue according to the last three 990s that were filed. We did not file a 990 the last two years, hence the interest penalty discussed last night. In addition, according to the information provided by Linda in her May report last year, we had spent more than the revenue received for 2017, 2016, and 2015.*

“I find it disturbing that our budget reflects revenue and expenses below the 2014 levels.

2014 (Actual)

Revenue - \$77,626

Expenses - \$67,186

2017 (Last 990 filed) (Actual)

Revenue - \$53,137

Expenses - \$73,959

2020 (Projected)

Revenue - \$59,400

Expenses - \$58,769

Something seems to be missing from our budget. Are the DEW expenses included?”

Dan stated that he was unaware of the 990 reporting during the transition. Bruce added that the discrepancies are most likely the result of artificial inflation of reported income from various events.

On a motion by Louise and Mike, the Board voted to accept the minutes of the previous meeting, including the addendum stating Kathy’s concerns.

Financial and Programming Administrator’s Report

- Dan reported that UCHS will receive the annual PHMC \$4,000 grant.

- He has not yet received a list of 2020 expenses from the county.
- Bruce and Kathy will review and rewrite the rental agreement with Lloyd Zimmerman, the DEW farmer, before the current verbal 5-year agreement expires in 2022.
- Dan and Louise will double check with Meixell-Deihl about full coverage.
- Mike agreed to help Dan set up the automated checking account.

Membership

- Election and Newsletter - Four individuals have agreed to run for the Board: Phyllis Dyer of Winfield; Lonnie Hill of Lewisburg; Susan Rapp of Lewisburg; and Matt Wagner of Mifflinburg. The May newsletter will post their names.
- Darren reported that Mifflinburg's historical groups are planning to post an online video tour.

Other Business

- As part of a Help Us Survive campaign, Mike and Louise will investigate live streaming our 1937 Mifflinburg and Lewisburg videos, the county driving tour video, the Alvira movie, and the WVIA video of Lewisburg through the Campus Theatre and the county's GIS service.
- Mary Kay suggested that we move the UCHS Annual Fund campaign to the Fall so it does not conflict with the membership campaign.

Next Meetings: 14 July, 8 September, and 10 November, 6:30 p.m.

Depending on the circumstances, we may consider meeting at DEW, the Elias Center, or the parks in Lewisburg and Mifflinburg.