



NOVI HISTORICAL COMMISSION

JUNE Minutes

Wednesday, June 21, 2023

Novi Library Local History

CALL TO ORDER: 7:04 pm

ATTENDANCE: Kim Nice, Debbie Wrobel, Sharon Larson, Kelly Kasper, Kathy Crawford

ABSENT: Rae Manela, Dan Pierce

INTRODUCTION OF GUESTS: Betty Lang, Sue Grifor, and Sue Johnson (President of the Friends of the Library)

APPROVAL OF AGENDA: APPROVED w/ amendments

APPROVAL OF MAY MINUTES: APPROVED

TREASURER’S REPORT- Kim

NOVI HISTORICAL COMMISSION FINANCIAL SUMMARY REPORT - 2022/2023

	BUDGET	EXPENDITURES Through June 21, 2023	
Display Cabinet Exhibit	\$ 900	\$ (196.05)	
Marketing/Brochures/Engage/Name Badges	\$ 1,100	\$ -	
Equipment/Supplies/Office/Upgrades/Repairs	\$ 1,200	\$ (1,074.00)	
Program/Speaker Fees	\$ 900	\$ (1,945.00)	
Storage Unit	\$ 2,800	\$ (2,652.00)	
Acquisition (Books/Materials)	\$ 500	\$ -	
Conference/Continuing Education	\$ 2,000	\$ (722.60)	
Legal Fees	\$ 1,000	\$ -	
Special Projects Examples: Villa Barr, Photography, Veterans Sign, Oral Histories, City/Community Events, Motor City Marker)	\$ 3,600	\$ (847.28)	
Total:	\$ 14,000	\$ (7,436.93)	\$ 6,563
Equitable Projects	Expenditures	Revenue Received	
Villa Barr Book Sales YTD		\$0.00 YTD	
Wreaths Across Novi Project	\$ 2,050.96	\$ 2,150.00	\$ 897.38 carryover funds

Treasurer’s Report: ALL APPROVED w/ Kim moving \$500 for USO Event to Special Projects
Kim Nice presented final approved budget for 2023/24 FY.

LIBRARY LIAISON REPORT:

Archival Supply Request: Betty Lang submitted a proposal for archival material for a total of \$277.52. The request was approved.

History Room Office Hours:

Closed for July and August

Monday, 9/18 (6-8 p.m): Kelly Kasper

DISCUSSION ITEMS:

Spring Super Hero Showcase: The program was a great success as it was very busy. The theme was amusement parks. Kim and Sue Grifor managed from the Commission and handed out history stickers.

USO Show: The program was very well received and had more than 150 people attend. As a result of the success, there is consideration to make the program an annual event.

Miniature Project: The group working on the project went to the Witches Hat Museum in South Lyon to view a miniature project of a general store.

Novi Cemetery Signs Update: Kathy reviewed the changes to the signs with Jeff Muck from the City of Novi. He has processed the order for the signs.

ONGOING PROJECTS:

Display Case: Ken Stevens is using the display case from June 12 – Aug. 14 to display David Barr artifacts.

Cemetery Flag Holders: Kelly is working on the project and will email out the information she has collected about the options for consideration with pricing.

NEW BUSINESS:

Novi History Tour Request: A request from a resident at Walton Wood was made for Kathy Crawford to do a bus tour on the history of Novi. Kathy inquired about reserving a bus with Jeff Muck from the City of Novi. The tour date is TBD with a consideration for August.

Speaker Series Recommendation: Kathy Crawford received a request from Fox Run or her to do a program on the “Walled Lake Amusement Park” in October

Karen Collins Request: Karen was at the USO event and wants to meet with Marilyn Combs and members of the Historical Commission. Karen would like to meet at her house with Marilyn and the group. Karen’s house is the old one-room schoolhouse Marilyn attended. Kathy Crawford to arrange the date.

PUBLIC COMMENT: Sue Johnson, president of The Friends of the Library, provided an overview of the group’s projects. Sue also provided some information about her personal miniature collection that will be useful as the Commission works its project.

NEXT MEETING: July 19, 2023, at 7 p.m.

ADJOURN: 8:30 p.m.