



NOVI HISTORICAL COMMISSION

Wednesday, September 15, 7pm

Novi Library

Call to Order in Novi History Room: 7:00pm

Introductions of guests: Betty Lang (Library Liaison), Sue Grifor

Attendance: Kathy Crawford, Kelly Kasper, Kim Nice, Rae Manela, Debbie Wrobel

Approval of Agenda: All Approved

Approval of Minutes- August 2021: ALL APPROVED

Treasurer's report –Kim (Approval of expenses):

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FINANCIAL SUMMARY REPORT - 2021/2022 Fiscal Year

	BUDGET	EXPENDITURES Through September 15, 2021
Display Cabinet Exhibit	\$ 900	\$ -
Marketing/Brochures/Engage/Name Badges	\$ 1,200	\$ -
Equipment/Supplies/Office/Upgrades/Repairs	\$ 1,200	\$ -
Program/Speaker Fees	\$ 900	\$ -
Storage Unit	\$ 2,500	\$ (2,431.00)
Acquisition (Books/Materials)	\$ 500	\$ -
Conference/Continuing Education	\$ 2,200	\$ (50.00)
Legal Fees	\$ 1,000	\$ -
Special Projects	\$ 3,600	\$ -
Examples: (Villa Barr, Photography, Veterans Sign, Oral Histories, City/Community Events, Motor City Marker)		
Total:	\$ 14,000	\$ (2,481.00) \$ 11,519

Equitable Projects	Expenditures	Revenue Received
Villa Barr Book Sales YTD		\$ -
Wreaths Across Novi Project		\$ 798.34 carryover funds

ALL APPROVED

Communications: None

LIBRARY LIAISON REPORT, Betty Lang

Conferencekeeper.org: a place to look for conferences about genealogy and other topics of interest. 1 Email a Week. Some cost money, but many are free.

Oakland County Historical Resources Meeting: A Discussion about Oral histories. Processing, maintaining, and a future possibility of the creation of a hosting site for libraries to add their



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History Room volunteers:

Mon. Sept. 20, (6-8 pm) Debbie & Kim

Monday, Oct. 4 (12-2) Kim & Debbie

Monday, Oct. 18, (6-8) Rae & Kelly

DISCUSSION ITEMS

* **Grand River Ave From Detroit to Lake Michigan (Gail Offen & Jon Milan)**

Kathy attended their talk about their book. The book includes photos from Novi.

Possible talk.

* **Photographer...mapping graves, Dan**

(Abigail Rose PhotographyLLC@gmail.com...\$550)

Will photograph all the tombstones including the

Save them as .jpgs to a USB drive

We found out the City has an interactive map of the Novi Road Cemetery with pictures of the headstones. We will still have these photos taken to have in the Local History Room.

ALL APPROVED

We need to reach out to the City to make an interactive map of the Knapp Cemetery. As well as ask them to tell us when they post things under the "Novi Historical Commission" heading.

* **Skip Tuck meeting, Kim/Debbie**

Kim and Debbie met with Skip Tuck

Collected more photos, 50s Fest T-shirts, Newspapers.

Keeping in touch with her, she has a list of items we're hoping to obtain from her. Met Danny from Novi Auto Parts, will contact to obtain other photos and information.



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* Tributes/gifts for outgoing Commissioners, Debbie

Results of the Vote about what tributes we want

1st: Gold Round Clock

\$35 for the clock

\$10 for 1st word, \$3 per letter after that *Checking price*

“Novi Historical Commission”

First Name, Last Name,

Date-Date

* * Walled Lake Rotary Meeting 8/31,

Kathy went to the virtual meeting on behalf of the commission

Lakeshore Park History (Marilyn Combs)

Kathy is talking with David Malloy about calling Marilyn Combs

New display cabinets have been ordered for the Police Dept.

Marilyn’s Father Russell Woodworth would have been the first police officer hired in Novi in 1955.

* Tollgate Christmas lights December: Dec. 16-20

Set up Sat. Dec. 11

Take down- 12/21

Kim Nice talked with Mike at Tollgate. Guaranteed us the same spot.

We will get our own tree

* Veterans Wreaths

Event: November 13th

Kelly will try to work with and meet the Scouts beforehand and give them a small historical presentation

Reaching out to a Girl Scout Troop as well

* 9/11 interviews...see Novi First Responders

Consider developing with the library a file of how Novi responded



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*** Rules and Procedure booklet updates**

It's coming along.

Need to have information added about

*** Villa Barr Program volunteers, Weds. October 27**

Need to have people there for selling the book

*** December meeting...Weds. Dec. 15 is same night as Library Board**

Moved to Dec. 8th

BACK BURNER PROJECTS

Veterans Memorial

Storage Unit

Walled Lake Amusement Park

Novi Rd. Cemetery Sign- Removal

Memorial sign options

Historical sites brochure

Novi Rd. Cemetery improvements

HISTORICAL COMMISSION PROGRAMS, Rae

If you have any ideas for programs, please get suggestions to Rae

Wed. Sept. 22nd 7pm – Yankee Air Museum

Wed. Oct. 27th 7pm – Villa Barr

Wed. Jan. 26th 7pm – Grubs Up! What Civil War Soldiers Ate

Wed. Feb. 23rd 7pm - Antislavery and the Underground Railroad in Michigan

Wed. March 30th 7pm – Michigan Women who Made a Difference

Wed. April 27th 7pm – The Walled Lake Amusement Park

Wed. May 25th 7pm – The Chautauqua Movement

DISPLAY CABINET DOWNSTAIRS, Kim & Sue

Special thanks to the Livonia Model Club for the planes in the display cabinet



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NEW BUSINESS/Other Business –

Friday, October 15 is City Volunteer Appreciation at Links of Novi- 6:30

Annual election of officers: January 2022

WEBSITE UPDATES : Facebook link/Instagram

PUBLIC COMMENT None

NOTE: Next MEETING: Wednesday, October 13

(this date and the November 10 are two meeting dates that were moved up a week!)

Adjourn: 8:38pm