

**RESPONSE TO PROPOSAL CONCERNING FOUNDING FAMILY PLAQUES
FOR THE WILLIAM R. SMITH PARK**

Paul Thomas Smith researched William R. Smith, and he discovered he was one of the most influential people in early Centerville history for the first 40 years. In his research, he found there were 80 influential people who helped settle Centerville, which could be a time consuming task for Lisa Sommer to do. Mr. Smith distributed a list of the influential individuals who came to Centerville between 1847 and 1869. The Board discussed issues that might surface trying to decide which families to recognize, and felt having one plaque listing all of the names of the individuals who helped settle Centerville would be most appropriate, rather than separate plaques for each settler. If park visitors wanted to know more about a name on the plaque, they could visit the Museum for their history. Stephanie Ivie, City Council Liaison, said the City Council originally suggested the family and the City could share the cost of the plaques, but a final determination has not been made.

**REPORT ON CLG, RAP AND GENERAL FUND BUDGETS FOR MUSEUM
PROJECTS DISCUSSED IN A MEETING WITH STEVE THACKER, CITY MANAGER**

Mel Miles reported he met with Steve Thacker, City Manager, on the Museum budget, and the Museum is within budget for the fiscal year. The Whitaker Museum Board will receive five percent of the RAP Tax, and there is \$19,000 that has been reserved for capital projects. This will allow some renovations to proceed and be completed. Lisa Linn Sommer, Museum Director, reported Steve Thacker told her that the Landmarks Commission did not use all of their money last year. The Board has the opportunity to use the money the Landmarks is not going to use, but it requires the work to be completed by August 31st. Lisa will talk to Don Hartley at the State to confirm if the projects must be completed by August 31st, or if an extension can be given. The Board discussed what could reasonably be done with the extra money with such a short timeframe to work with.

Nancy Smith suggested the carriage doors be considered, and perhaps a purchase order buying the doors would satisfy the deadline requirement. Lisa Sommer will obtain two bids from Guy Carpenter for the carriage house doors, and contact Don Hartley to see if that is acceptable for the grant deadline.

REPORT ON PROGRESS OF WORK PROJECTS AT THE MUSEUM

Chair Spencer Packer reported Guy Carpenter has hung the back door at the Museum, but the hardware needs to be purchased. Lisa Linn Sommer, Museum Director, said the hardware has been ordered. The electrical lines have been relocated on the wall at the foundation line. Guy Carpenter is currently at the Museum tonight insulating the electric lines.

INTRODUCTION OF BRIGHAM YOUNG PORTRAIT

Paul Thomas Smith reported several years ago, discussions were held on furnishing the interior of the Museum, and it was determined a portrait of Brigham Young should be in the Museum. Mr. Smith approached Mary Ellen Elgren, who was the president of the Brigham Young Family Association, and asked that the family fund the portrait, but nothing ever happened. At the 4th of July parade, Mr. Smith was approached by Jerry Cheney, who told him about a portrait of Brigham Young she has in her home. She told Mr. Smith she would like to permanently loan the portrait to the Museum with the provision she be allowed to retain ownership, and to borrow it for family reunions. The Board discussed the Museum policy on acquisitions, and who retains ownership and insurance liability. Mr. Smith displayed the portrait to the Board, and the Board agreed they would like to have it displayed in the Museum, but would need to review the Museum policy. Jerry Cheney will be responsible to have the portrait appraised for insurance purposes.

Mr. Smith reported he is on the final script for the video he is making, and it should be completed within the next few days. He took biographies of Thomas Whitaker to Carr's Printing, and was told it could be accessed online. The first version has 105 megabits, and the second version has 66 megabits, which can be viewed online as it is smaller.

DIRECTOR'S REPORT

a. Review accession of one hundred and fifty year old riding habit from Bountiful family
Richard Hendrickson passed away recently. He was a former Board member. Lisa will prepare a sympathy card for Board members to sign. Lisa displayed a woman's wool riding habit from Harriet Martin Fisher, a family in Bountiful. It was made in Chicago in the late 1800s. They would like to donate it to the Museum. Lisa will complete the history form on the habit before the Board makes a decision on whether to accession the item, or take it as a gift.

b. Review of the past months activities, volunteers and other miscellaneous business
The Eagle Scout project of doing the conduit for the parking area is still being prepared. The garden barbeque was held last Tuesday, and it was a success. There were 36 people who attended, and everyone was happy with the garden. Duff Brown passed away, who was the son of Richard Brown. He used to help people in their gardens. The bees are doing great, and they are ahead of schedule in making honey. The owners of the bees will sell the honey. There is a family who would like to make a donation box for the Museum, and Board members need to view the plans for the box.

Robin Jensen will be speaking on the Lund home at the Storytelling event in October. Clara Goudy Day is September 5th. The Board agreed refreshments will be served at this function. A Parrish Family reunion was held a few months ago, and two Parrish families came. There were 100 people who attended, and Paul Thomas Smith gave a presentation for the reunion. The oldest member was Fannie Parrish who is 100 years old.

The Board discussed the Cemetery Tour that Paul Thomas Smith conducts each year. The comments from the tour in August was that it is too hot, and school is starting soon. The Board agreed the tour will be held in October. This event will be advertised on the City website and on Facebook.

MISCELLANEOUS

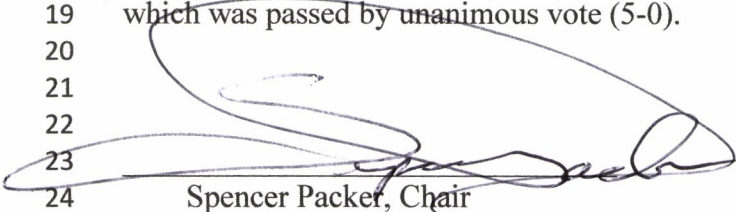
Laura Toney said she will be delivering letters to the schools in Centerville inviting classes to attend tours at the Whitaker Museum.

NEXT MEETING

The next Whitaker Museum Board meeting will be held on Tuesday, September 26th at 6:00 p.m. in the Business Office Conference Room at City Hall.

ADJOURN

At 8:00 p.m., Mel Miles made a **motion** to adjourn. Laura Toney seconded the motion, which was passed by unanimous vote (5-0).


Spencer Packer, Chair

9-26-2017
Date Approved


Connie Larson, Recording Secretary

