Minutes of the Whitaker Museum Board meeting held Tuesday, May 28, 2019 at 5:05 p.m. in the Administrative Conference Room at City Hall, 250 North Main Street, Centerville, Utah.

MEMBERS PRESENT
Diane Chamberlain
Debbie Dahl
Robin Jensen
Jim Morgan
Spencer Packer, Chair
Nancy Smith

MEMBERS ABSENT
Carol Bake

STAFF PRESENT
Connie Larson, Recording Secretary
Stephanie Ivie, City Council Liaison, arrived at 5:55 p.m.

STAFF ABSENT
Lisa Linn Sommer, Museum Director

DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Storytelling Review

The Storytelling event for May was an excellent presentation on the art of Ernest Betchelder, and the picture tiles on the parlor fireplace. The Clipper may be doing an interview with Lisa about the fireplace.

Garden Review

There are two large and two small garden plots that have not been leased. A post has been sent out on the Clipper Calendar, Twitter, Facebook, and Instagram advertising the remaining plots. Nancy Smith, Debbie Dahl, and Diane Chamberlain are on the Landscaping Committee.

School Tour Report

The Centerville school fieldtrips were a big hit. Every Tuesday in May, at Least one school visited the Whitaker for a pioneer field day. Some days, there were schools visiting in the afternoon as well. There were two days where the pioneer field day was taken to the school because of rain. The children played pioneer games, i.e., Drop the Kerchief, Button Button, Red Rover – Red Rover, the Stick Game, Potato Drop, etc. They made theme troupes and hand spun wool, with our in-house spinster, Miss Judy. The students also had a tour of the Whitaker where they were told stories of the Transcontinental Railroad, Train vs. Wagon, and Morse code. The students made their own train whistles and deciphered a mess in Morse code. We had over 500 visitors in the month of May. We have wonderful docents and volunteers that made this a great experience for

June Storytelling

The June Storytelling will be held on June 11th at City Hall. It will be a presentation on The History of the The Literature, Music and Art Club, one of the first Women's Club in Centerville. The Clipper met with Paul Thomas Smith, and they will be doing an article on the Golden Spike Exhibit at the Museum. This will be advertised on the City website and City newsletter.

July Newsletter

The July 9th Storytelling will be Stories from World War I, The Lighter side of The Great War, Armistice Celebration, presented by Kent Powell, Senior Historian USHS, retired. Items to be completed are: Schedule poster, advertise the train and wagon exhibit, and Centerville's DVD.

4th at the Whitaker

The Museum discussed if it will be open outside on July 4th after the parade. Judy Gunn volunteered to do spinning with her guild under the willow tree, between the hours of 11:00 a.m. and 2:00 p.m. Lisa Linn Sommers, Museum Director, will decide if the Museum will be open, which is determined if there are enough people to help.

CLG RAP

The CLG RAP is near completion, and will be submitted to Cory Snyder before August first. The grant cannot be submitted to the State until the Landmarks Commission has submitted their portion of the grant. The deadline is August 30th.

Unexpected HVAC

The HVAC at the Museum malfunctioned, and Lisa's husband, Peter Sommer, repaired it. City Manager, Brant Hanson, approved an amendment to the budget for repair costs. The total came in under $175.

The donation box at the Museum received $22 from the sale of a Centerville DVD.

LANDSCAPE COMMITTEE REPORT

Debbie Dahl distributed a list of what the Landscape Committee has suggested to do for landscaping at the Whitaker Museum. The list details the plants that may be used, and a priority list of items that need to take place on the grounds. An architectural feature, possibly a bench, will be placed in the north flower beds. A young man has been working at the Museum who is a very good worker, and Nancy Smith suggested having this man do more landscaping work at the Museum. The Parks Department will maintain the grounds long term. The stone wall that needs to be restored is the first priority. Nancy will schedule a meeting with the Parks Department to inform them of the landscaping plans. Lisa Sommer and Paul Thomas Smith want the drive to the carriage house completed. Lisa would like a wooden picket fence built to distract from the utility box with a gate for access.

BOARD REPORTS

There was nothing to report.

NEXT MEETING

The next Whitaker Museum Board meeting will be held on Tuesday, July 30, 2019 at 5:00 p.m. at City Hall.

MINUTES REVIEW AND ACCEPTANCE

Minutes of the April 23, 2019 meeting minutes were reviewed. Nancy Smith made a **motion** to approve the minutes as written. Jim Morgan seconded the motion, which was passed by unanimous vote (6-0).

ADJOURN

At 6:00 p.m., Diane Chamberlain made a **motion** to adjourn. Nancy Smith seconded the motion, which was passed by unanimous vote (6-0).

Leah Romero

Leah Romero, City Recorder

July 30, 2019
Date Approved

Connie Larson

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