

Minutes of the Centerville City Whitaker Museum Board meeting held Tuesday, March 28, 2023 at 5:00 p.m. in the Centerville City Hall Conference Room, 250 North Main Street, Centerville, Utah.

MEMBERS PRESENT

Robin Jensen
Jim Morgan, Chair
Spencer Packer
Jana Taylor

MEMBERS ABSENT

Bob Brown
Nancy Smith

STAFF PRESENT

George McEwan, City Council Liaison
Lisa Linn Sommer, Museum Director
Connie Larson, Recording Secretary

VISITORS

Alyson Childs
Madison Warnock

MINUTES REVIEW AND APPROVAL

Minutes of the January 24, 2023 meeting were reviewed. Chair Jim Morgan made a **motion** to approve the minutes as written. Spencer Packer seconded the motion, which was passed by unanimous vote (4-0).

INTRODUCTION OF VISITORS

Lisa Linn Sommer, Museum Director, introduced Madison Warnock who is an intern for Centerville City for the summer. Madison lives in Bountiful, and is attending Southern New Hampshire University working on a graduate degree in Public Management of Archives. Alyson Childs has lived in Centerville for four years, and she is a volunteer at the Museum.

DIRECTOR'S REPORT

DAVIS COUNTY MUSEUMS

Lisa Linn Sommer distributed the list of dates for the Story Telling Events. The Whitaker Museum, with the incentive of Bryce King, has combined with the Bountiful History Museum, Farmington historic Museum, Kaysville/Fruit Heights History Museum, Layton heritage Museum, Antelope Island/Garr Ranch History Museum, and Syracuse heritage Museum to form the Davis County Museums Build. In April, they are focusing on William Allen, who was a prominent architect in Davis County during the 1900's.

The Davis County Museums kick-off combined event is April Architectural Adventure. In April, the activity will be the Itty-Bitty Hunt. Small postage size pictures with the address of an historical building in Davis County will be given for people to visit, and match the itty-bitty architectural picture to the William Allen featured building it came from. Davis County history museums will have exhibits and activities for all who visit during the month of April. Participants will receive a special button featuring a different building at each museum that they can put on a lanyard.

APRIL STORY TELLING EVENT

The next Story Telling Event will be on Tuesday, April 11th at Centerville Elementary. William Allen was the architect for the original Centerville Elementary, and there will be a panel and open forum discussion and stories shared of the school from students who attended the original Centerville Elementary School that was built in 1915, and damaged by the flood in 1930. A fire in 1959 lead to remodel and raised the school in 1984 for the new school.

MAY STORY TELLING EVENT

The May Story Telling event will be held on May ????? at City Hall. John Sillito will be giving a lecture on B. H. Roberts and there will be an exhibit.

JULY FLASH BACK

The July Flash Back will be a Heritage Fair to be held on Thursday, July 13th. Lisa Sommer said she would like to have a petting zoo and a blacksmith, and other exhibits and events celebrating Centerville and Utah's early years. This item will be discussed at the next meeting.

ELIZABETH'S TEA

Elizabeth's Tea will be held this year. Bids for the catering have been received.

UTAH ARTS AND MUSEUMS

Utah Arts and Museums staff visited the Whitaker Museum recently. They have offered their services for continued education of the importance of historic and art museums in Utah.

VOLUNTEERS

Lisa said she will send a letter of thanks to the communications class at Viewmont High School for their willingness to volunteer to label archives boxes at the Museum. These students will be returning to label books in the future. Robin Jensen's daughter was involved in this project.

AWARD FOR BRYCE KING

Board members are asked to attend the City Council meeting on May 2nd at 7:00 p.m., as Bryce King will be given the Flashback Award from the Utah Parks and Recreation Association for his work on the Flashback Activities last summer.

FIELD TRIPS

Letters have been sent to the elementary schools in Centerville inviting them for field trips at the Whitaker Museum. The field trips will be held on May 16th and May 23rd. It is estimated there will be 300 students who will attend the field trips.

LIVE STREAMING OF MEETINGS

Nancy Smith had previously suggested that the Whitaker Museum Lecture Series, and such events be live streamed to make it available to those who cannot attend in person. City Council Liaison member, George McEwan stated the City Council was in favor of this option, and that the release form signed by the lecturer would serve as permission. Lisa Sommer needs to speak with City Recorder, Jennifer Robinson, to figure out the logistics for this service.

AUNT HANNAH'S TRUNK SHOW

Jana Taylor reported the Aunt Hannah's Trunk Show went very well. The activity is for one hour and includes story time and crafts. This activity is for small children, and Jana would like to include more children when it is held again in the fall. March 29th will be the last event for this season. This activity will be offered in the fall when school begins.

BOARD REPORTS

Robin Jensen reported the wire recordings from the Museum that the LDS Church History Library is going to digitize are backlogged, and it will take several months for the project to be completed. The library will have a copy returned to the Whitaker Museum, and the LDS Church History Library will also keep a copy. Blueprints of the Maggie Ford home have been received at the Museum.

Jim Morgan asked what is happening with the garden plots. Lisa Sommer reported work on the garden plots usually begins on April 15, but the soil is too soggy to start gardening. Brian and Erin Redd will report at the next meeting on the garden.

Spencer Packer discussed the snowpack that is in the mountains and what is being done for flood preparations. George McEwan, City Council Liaison, said Governor Cox is working with cities and counties to make sure debris basins are clear. There is better infrastructure now than in 1983 to handle flood water. If the heat comes on fast, the water will runoff the mountains instead of soaking into the soil. George McEwan is working with the CERT people in case of flooding. Currently, there is no stock piling of sandbags taking place in Centerville.

CLG GRANT UPDATE

Lisa Sommer reported the CLG Grant will be completed on August 30, 2023. This grant is on schedule and PO's have been approved for the shingles on the roof and for painting. The bids are being reviewed for the other projects.

RAP CYCLE UPDATE

Lisa Sommer reported that FY2023 RAP projects are on schedule to be completed by June 3rd. This money will be used for the summer kitchen garden hardscape, orchard, and possibly a patio with a pergola for events.

NEXT MEETING

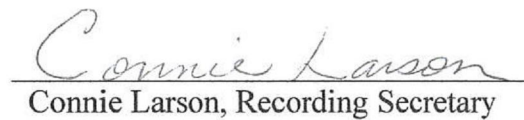
The next Whitaker Museum Board meeting will be on Tuesday, April 25, 2023 at 5:00 p.m. at City Hall.

ADJOURN

At 5:30 p.m., Spencer Packer made a **motion** to adjourn the meeting. Robin Jensen seconded the motion, which was passed by unanimous vote (4-0).


Jennifer Robison, City Recorder

4-25-2023
Date Approved


Connie Larson, Recording Secretary

