

# Sesquicentennial Meeting Minutes

## September 08, 2020 9:30 A.M. Sanford Museum grounds

Present: Chuck Dinsmore, Linda Fisher, John Billingsley, Mark Authier, Linda Stevenson, Carolyn Bigelow, Randy Dyer, Lon Wackerle, Ron and Mary Hughes, Ed Kerns, Mary Jo Brandt, Dianna Richardson, Mary Herkner, Denise Cole, Mike Wood.

- A. Agenda:** A motion was made by John to approve the agenda as presented, it was seconded by Dianna, and approved.
- B. Secretary report:** A motion was made by Diana to approve the August 06, 2020 secretary's report, it was seconded by John and it was approved.
- C. Treasurer report:** No report
- D. Program – Ed Kern**
  - a. Covid – 19 Go/No Go date.** It was determined early during planning stage that we would only be able to have the festival if our region reached Stage-5 in Michigan's Safe Start program and we seem to be going backwards. Ed recommends that if we do not reach the next level we should officially cancel and made a **motion** "to cancel at 5PM today unless there is notice from the Governor that our region is moving to Stage-5", Mark seconded, and all were in favor except one.
  - b. Car show –** Randy will still have a car show downtown.
  - c. Auction -** Cancelled
  - d. Publicity –** Will send out news release informing the public Sanford Street Palooza has been cancelled.
  - e. Marketing -** Cancelled
- E. M-30 Connector Bridge Banners – Dianna –** There are 38 light poles for banners, Meridian schools has offered to pay for 16 banners. If the Sesquicentennial pays for 22 banners the costs would be \$704 (\$32 each x 22 = \$704.00). Tara Mager is open to ideas for pictures to put on banners. Ed ask about life span of banners, based on the students pictures they seem to be stable. When the banner display is finished, they will come to Museum for display then to be stored. The road commission will put the banners up. Dianna made a **motion** "to purchase 22 banners", Lon seconded, and it was approved.
- F. Next Meeting / Remaining Sesquicentennial funds disbursement -** Chuck made a **motion** "to hold on to funds for next year", Linda seconded, and it was approved. There are 39 Sesquicentennial T-shirts left to sell. Chuck Stated that we will need new Sesquicentennial Chairperson for next year. It may be possible to do bands next year in the park as it should be fixed by then. Chuck wondered if the event should not be tied to Founders Day. Ed feels it would be better to do at the same time as Founders Day.
- G. Future Committee meetings:** Ed thinks we should have a meeting mid-winter about March, or April. Mark said we can use the American Legion for meeting in early April of 2021.
- H. Quilts – Carolyn –** A few others have made a quilt wall hanging throw in "Hometown USA" pattern. John made a **motion** "to donate the quilt to the Museum to hang in honor of our Sesquicentennial year", Randy seconded, and it was approved.

Ron reminded everyone who has a Souvenir book to pick it up.

Meeting adjourned at 10:06 AM

Respectfully submitted,

Linda Fisher  
Secretary