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MINUTES OF THE HYRUM CITY MUSEUM BOARD MEETING **SEPTEMBER 20, 2022**AT THE MUSEUM BOARD ROOM 50 WEST MAIN STREET, HYRUM, UTAH

CONVENED: 6:01 pm

ROLL CALL, CALL TO ORDER, and **WELCOME**: Chairman Downs welcomed everyone and called the meeting to order.

THOSE IN ATTENDANCE: Steve Downs, John Petersen, Curtiss Parkinson, Leisha Kunz, Kim Faulkner, Craig Rasmussen, Jami Van Huss, and Courtney Cochley. Kathy Kingsbury and Linda Christiansen were excused.

REVIEW OF MINUTES: Curtiss motioned to approve the minutes of August 9, 2022, John seconded, all voted aye, and the minutes were approved unanimously as written.

BUSINESS:

1. AASLH Conference & Award Report

Courtney and Jami flew to Buffalo, New York to attend the week-long conference and receive the museum's national Award of Excellence. The award, itself, is a paper certificate, so Jami will have it framed to hang in the museum. Both reported that it was a very educational and interesting conference and they attended several sessions and tours that will inform future work at the Hyrum Museum. Ten people from Utah attended, plus there were various additional networking opportunities museum staff took advantage of.

2. Exhibits Update

The new *Heart of Hyrum* exhibit about Hyrum's historic Main Street (looking specifically at the mid-Twentieth Century) opened on September 10th. Jami reported that she is very happy with Megan George's work on the exhibit and it is looking great. She will still be adding some images, objects, and interpretive writing to finish it out and touch on important businesses (with accompanying artifacts/images) outside of the exhibit's timeframe.

In order to install the Main Street exhibit, we de-installed the *Boa Ogoi* exhibit and Courtney is re-designing it to be installed permanently near the entrance of the museum. We are also looking forward to hosting a traveling exhibit about Martha Hughes Cannon from Better Days from mid-November to mid-December.

While the museum was closed during the AASLH conference, the city installed new track lighting in the rear exhibition space. This lighting came out of the capitol funds budget from 2021—2022, but due to supply-chain issues, it is just now getting installed.

3. Upcoming Programming

October's Second Saturday will be a Fall Festival and will be focusing on harvesting native plants. Jami has reached out to a couple of new Shoshone leaders at Darren Parry's request to participate, but hasn't received any response yet. She will utilize the Daigwade Coloring Book at the event, along with offering some fun generic fall art activities.

Jami and Steve spent some time discussing the needs to permanently install the printing press. First, we need to confirm that we can get three-phase power to the press. Jami reached out to Power Superintendent Matt Draper, but has not heard back yet. Craig said he would follow-up with Matt. Second, we need to determine a location to set-up the "print shop". Jami spent time speaking with Courtney and Craig and they determined that we can create an opening in the north wall of the current archive room and relocate the archive room contents to a new, larger secure storage area to be built south of the current archive room. Jami will move forward working with the city to finalize plans for construction.

4. Collections Report

The museum received several artifact donations over the summer, which Courtney is catching up on accessioning and housing. As a member of the state's collection preservation team, Courtney also received a lot of archival and collections cleaning/maintenance supplies, so is also working to clean, rehouse, and better care for current collections. As part of the team, the museum is receiving a \$5000 collections-based project grant. Creating the new larger secure storage area with work space will be partially supported through this grant.

5. Other Reports from Board Members

Craig gave an update on the status of the Elite Hall restoration.

ADJOURNMENT: 6:50 pm

Approved: As Written:

Second Saturday, 10:00 am—3:00 pm, Fall Festival
Board Meeting, 6:00 pm
Back in Time, 1:00—1:30 pm, Trick or Treat
Museum Closed, UMA Conference
Friday Family Movie @ Elite Hall, 7:00 pm, DC League of Super Pets
Board Meeting, 6:00 pm
Second Saturday, 10:00 am—3:00 pm, Legacy of Leadership
Back in Time, 1:00—1:30 pm, Sound the Cannon!
Museum Closed, Thanksgiving/Work Week
Steven Downs
Chairman