

1 Minutes of the Centerville City Whitaker Museum Board meeting held Tuesday, March 26, 2024  
2 at 5:00 p.m. in the Centerville City Hall Conference Room, 250 North Main Street, Centerville,  
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5 **MEMBERS PRESENT**

6 Bob Brown  
7 Alyson Childs  
8 Robin Jensen  
9 Jim Morgan, Chair  
10 Spencer Packer  
11 Nancy Smith  
12 Jana Taylor

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14 **STAFF PRESENT**

15 Cheylynn Hayman, City Council Liaison, was excused at 5:30 p.m.  
16 Bryce King, Administrative Services Director, was excused at 5:23 p.m.  
17 Haley Turner, Community Service Manager  
18 Lisa Linn Sommer, Museum Director  
19 Connie Larson, Recording Secretary

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21 **VISITOR**

22 Erin Redd

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24 **MINUTES REVIEW AND APPROVAL**

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26 Minutes of the March 5, 2024 meeting were reviewed. Bob Brown made a **motion** to  
27 approve the minutes as amended. Nancy Smith seconded the motion, which was passed by  
28 unanimous vote (7-0).

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30 **THANK YOU LETTERS SIGNED**

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32 Lisa Linn Sommer, Museum Director, distributed a thank you letter for the Board to sign  
33 for Debbie West and her husband for the garden presentation they did on March 14<sup>th</sup>. They brought  
34 flowers and plants from Rockin E Country Store in Bountiful that were given away to participants.  
35 The presentation was well received.

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37 **GARDEN REPORT BY CHAIR, ERIN REDD – RECAP 2023/PLANS FOR 2024**

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39 Erin Redd is chair of the Whitaker Museum Garden. She distributed a flyer on the events  
40 of the garden during 2023 and plans for the garden for 2024. In 2023, there were 36 large plots  
41 and eight small plots rented, for a total collection of \$1,120. So far for 2024, there are six large  
42 plots and three small plots left to rent. Plots will not be assigned until they are paid for. The Garden  
43 Orientation meeting will be held at the Whitaker Museum on April 11<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 p.m. The Board  
44 thanked Erin and her family for the wonderful work they have done with the garden for the past  
45 13 years.

1            **DIRECTOR'S REPORT**

2            **YEAR AT A GLANCE/WHITAKER EVENTS**

5            Lisa Linn Sommer, Museum Director, is working with Bryce King and Haley Turner on  
6            the Year-At-Glance Calendar.

7            April 12<sup>th</sup> – Vestil Harris Day is to honor Vestil for his contribution to Centerville. During  
8            World War II, Vestil printed stories on what was happening in Centerville and sent them to the  
9            soldiers who were serving in the war. Lisa Sommer is planning to have a book printed of the letters  
10           Vestil sent, and the books will be sold at the July 4<sup>th</sup> booth.

12           May 7<sup>th</sup>, 14<sup>th</sup>, 16th – School Field Trips. Lisa Linn Sommer distributed a sign-up sheet for  
13           members to help at the Museum for the school field trips.

16           September 3<sup>rd</sup> – Clara Goudy Day. Governor Leavitt declared September 3<sup>rd</sup> as Clara  
17           Goudy Day, as she was the first curator of the Whitaker Museum.

19           April – Indigenous Presence Month in Davis County. Fawn with Kaysville/Fruit Heights  
20           Museum started the interactive map with flags that shows the locations of where indigenous people  
21           lived, and what went on at that location. The Shoshone Nation will also have a display, and if it is  
22           well received, they will allow the display to travel to other museums.

24           April 24<sup>th</sup> - Reservations begin online for Elizabeth's Victorian Tea to be held on June 8<sup>th</sup>.  
25           There will be 100 seats available, and there will be only one seating at 11 a.m. The cost will be  
26           \$20 per person, and the Youth Council will be the servers. A citizen has offered to donate their  
27           time to wash dishes.

29           June 13<sup>th</sup> – Gallery Walk Date Night – will be held in the Gathering Room at the Museum.  
30           There will be an art exhibit from a local artist and a jazz band will provide background music. This  
31           will be a date night to allow participants to draw and paint with an artist.

33           July 9th, 16ty, 30<sup>th</sup> – Pioneer Pee Wee Camp – for three-and four-year-old children. There  
34           will be pioneer period activities for the children. Assignments will be given later for the Museum  
35           Board to help with this activity.

37           **At 5:23 p.m., Bryce King was excused from the meeting.**

39           July 6<sup>th</sup> – Pop-Up Museum – This activity is crafts for children. A mountain man will have  
40           a tee-pee set-up and he will tell stories.

42           July 11<sup>th</sup> – Living Military Timeline – Stories from the Revolutionary War up to World War  
43           II will be told. There will be a triage tent where nurses show children how soldiers were treated  
44           for wounds, and the children can have a bandage put on their arm.

1        August 8<sup>th</sup> – Keeping Our Stories Alive – John Clark will give his First Cars Report, and  
2        vintage cars will be displayed at City Hall.

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4        September 12<sup>th</sup> – Historic District Walking Tour will feature different homes than the tour  
5        last year.

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7        September 21<sup>st</sup> – 5K Family Fun Run on the Bamberger Rail Trail with robbers.

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9        October 14<sup>th</sup> – Fall Pumpkin Festival – Haley Turner is in charge of this event.

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11        October 17<sup>th</sup> – Urban Legends – Will be at the Farmington Conference Center. Each of the  
12        seven cities will have a storyteller talk about interesting stories from their town.

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14        October 24<sup>th</sup> – Escape Room – Groups of five people will be given clues inside the Museum  
15        that they must find and be out of the Museum in 15 minutes. Registration is online.

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17        October 26<sup>th</sup> – Gleaning the Whitaker Community Gardens – All day event.

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19        December 3<sup>rd</sup> – Pioneer Christmas.

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21        KEEPING OUR STORIES ALIVE

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23        May 9<sup>th</sup> – Alan Engen and his wife will give a presentation on his father Alf Engen.

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25        **At 5:30 p.m., Cheylynn Hayman, City Council Liaison, was excused from the meeting.**

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27        RAP FY24 TO BE COMPLETED BY JUNE 30<sup>TH</sup>

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29        The Whitaker Museum did not receive the CLG Grant this year, as it went to the rural  
30        towns. The Board will reapply for the CLG Grant in April, and nothing will be changed.

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32        CLG Grant Projects:

33        • Hardscape for summer kitchen yard.  
34        • Sprinklers on east side. Mike and Tyler from Parks Department is following on this  
35        item.  
36        • Repair sand and seal pavers.  
37        • Bee skep shroud.  
38        • Smokehouse  
39        • Outhouse  
40        • Orchard

1 Lisa Linn Sommer asked the Board about using wire fencing instead of wood fencing in  
2 the garden around the summer kitchen. The Board agreed they want to keep the wood fencing. The  
3 blackberries are on the west side, and the raspberries are on the east side of the fence. Young men  
4 and young women groups will level this area in front so that rocks can be brought in and placed  
5 up to the beehive. Farm implements will also be displayed in this area.  
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7 **BOARD REPORTS**  
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9 Spencer Packer asked about the status of regular custodians cleaning the interior of the  
10 Museum. Lisa Linn Sommer reported there is no custodian, and she and volunteers at the Museum  
11 have been doing the cleaning. The Museum used to be cleaned every Monday, and dusting was  
12 done once a month. The custodians do not have enough hours to finish all the city buildings, so  
13 the Museum does not get cleaned on a regular basis. Jim Morgan will talk to the City Manager or  
14 Cheylynn Hayman about the cleaning of the Museum.  
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16 Spencer Packer reported he visited the Layton Museum last week, and he said it was  
17 interesting. The museum has four volunteer sister missionaries from the Church of Jesus Christ of  
18 Latter-day Saints who work there.  
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20 Lisa Linn Sommer reported the Whitaker Museum has a new docent. Her name is Carol  
21 Wright, and she recently moved from California. She works two days a month in the afternoon at  
22 the Museum.  
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24 **NEXT MEETING**  
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26 The next Whitaker Museum Board meeting will be held on Tuesday, April 23, 2024 at City  
27 Hall at 5:00 p.m.  
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29 **ADJOURN**  
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31 At 5:50 p.m., Spencer Packer made a **motion** to adjourn the meeting. Robin Jensen  
32 seconded the motion, which was passed by unanimous vote (7-0).  
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35 *Jennifer Robison*  
36 Jennifer Robison, City Recorder  
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6-3-2024

Date Approved

39 *Connie Larson*  
40 Connie Larson, Recording Secretary  
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