

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

MEMBERS PRESENT

Bob Brown
Alyson Childs
Robin Jensen
Jim Morgan, Chair
Spencer Packer
Nancy Smith
Jana Taylor

STAFF PRESENT

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

VISITOR

Erin Redd

MINUTES REVIEW AND APPROVAL

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

THANK YOU LETTERS SIGNED

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

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

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

DIRECTOR'S REPORT

YEAR AT A GLANCE/WHITAKER EVENTS

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

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

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

September 3rd – Clara Goudy Day. Governor Leavitt declared September 3rd as Clara Goudy Day, as she was the first curator of the Whitaker Museum.

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

September 12th – Historic District Walking Tour will feature different homes than the tour last year.

September 21st – 5K Family Fun Run on the Bamberger Rail Trail with robbers.

October 14th – Fall Pumpkin Festival – Haley Turner is in charge of this event.

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

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

October 26th – Gleaning the Whitaker Community Gardens – All day event.

December 3rd – Pioneer Christmas.

KEEPING OUR STORIES ALIVE

May 9th – Alan Engen and his wife will give a presentation on his father Alf Engen.

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

RAP FY24 TO BE COMPLETED BY JUNE 30TH

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

CLG Grant Projects:

- Hardscape for summer kitchen yard.
- Sprinklers on east side. Mike and Tyler from Parks Department is following on this item.
- Repair sand and seal pavers.
- Bee skep shroud.
- Smokehouse
- Outhouse
- Orchard

Lisa Linn Sommer asked the Board about using wire fencing instead of wood fencing in the garden around the summer kitchen. The Board agreed they want to keep the wood fencing. The blackberries are on the west side, and the raspberries are on the east side of the fence. Young men and young women groups will level this area in front so that rocks can be brought in and placed up to the beehive. Farm implements will also be displayed in this area.

BOARD REPORTS

Spencer Packer asked about the status of regular custodians cleaning the interior of the Museum. Lisa Linn Sommer reported there is no custodian, and she and volunteers at the Museum have been doing the cleaning. The Museum used to be cleaned every Monday, and dusting was done once a month. The custodians do not have enough hours to finish all the city buildings, so the Museum does not get cleaned on a regular basis. Jim Morgan will talk to the City Manager or Cheylynn Hayman about the cleaning of the Museum.

Spencer Packer reported he visited the Layton Museum last week, and he said it was interesting. The museum has four volunteer sister missionaries from the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints who work there.

Lisa Linn Sommer reported the Whitaker Museum has a new docent. Her name is Carol Wright, and she recently moved from California. She works two days a month in the afternoon at the Museum.

NEXT MEETING

The next Whitaker Museum Board meeting will be held on Tuesday, April 23, 2024 at City Hall at 5:00 p.m.

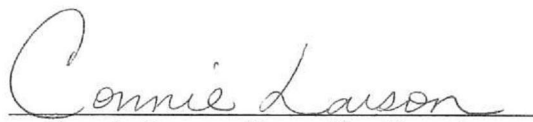
ADJOURN

At 5:50 p.m., Spencer Packer made a **motion** to adjourn the meeting. Robin Jensen seconded the motion, which was passed by unanimous vote (7-0).


Jennifer Robison, City Recorder

6-3-2024

Date Approved


Connie Larson, Recording Secretary

