



MUSEUM BOARD MEETING MINUTES

THURSDAY, October 19, 2017

Board Members attending: Jenny Fernelius, Kelly Robbins, Jake Kester, Ron Petersen,

Others attending: Community Development Director Jason Bond, Museum Director Annette Bott, and Katie Davis.

Board Chair Fernelius called the meeting to order at 4:07 p.m.

Pledge: Board Chair Fernelius led the pledge.

Invocation: Board Member Robbins offered an invocation.

Minutes: Minutes Tabled. Board Chair Fernelius stated that the signature needs to be changed to her instead of Director Bott.

Monument:

Board Member Kester expressed confusion over the monument's purpose and stated that he doesn't believe that it should be replaced. Director Bott stated that it's a marker for Southern Utah County, but she agrees that it's not relevant to Santaquin History. Board Member Robbins asked if a small version of the monument can be included in the Native American Room. Director Bott stated that she would like to portray more positivity in that room. Board Member Robbins suggested adding a history of Squash head to the Native American room or on a monument because it pertains to Santaquin City.

Mr. Bond stated that the plaque language needs to be recorded, but he agrees with not replacing it and focusing on Santaquin history instead. Mr. Bond explained that there are multiple stories about the town's name and including the story in the museum would be a good opportunity to clear up misconceptions. Director Bott stated that there are no repercussions to take the monument down. Board Chair Fernelius asked if the monument will be stored after it is removed. Director Bott stated that taking a picture of the monument before it's removed should be a sufficient way to record it.

Motion: Board Member Robbins motioned to remove the monument and not replace it. Board Member Kester seconded. All in favor in the affirmative.

Maintenance Goals:

Director Bott suggested that the museum board make maintenance goals. Director Bott explained that the entrances and the bottom windows need to be repainted, she stated that outdoor painting won't be able to be done until next spring. She suggested that the patriotic room and the hallway going up the stairs also need to be painted. She stated that she would like to get multiple bids for painting the patriotic room and the stairway. Board Member Robbins clarified that this project can't be done until the spring because there isn't heat in the

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Museum. She also stated that the removal of lead paint may require the County to come in and clean up.

Mr. Bond stated that no professional and technical services were budgeted for the museum this year. He explained that the museum board can request funding for a special project. They will need to come up with a proposal of what it would entail and then communicate with him and Mr. Reeves the City Manager to send the proposal to City Council to review for the next fiscal year. Director Bott asked if there is any money left over from the last fiscal year. Mr. Bond stated that he will clarify the museum budget with Mr. Reeves.

Board Member Kester expressed a desire to help accumulate donations to help preserve the building. Board Member Robbins stated that she and Board Member Goudy spoke with Fairview City who preserved their museum. Board Member Robbins explained that Fairview sent out letters asking for donations to preserve their building. Board Member Robbins also stated that using donations as a tax write off may be an incentive for donors.

Board Member Robbins suggested holding a museum fundraiser. Director Bott stated that the between 3.5-5 million dollars would be needed to preserve the museum. Board Member Robbins stated that Fairview didn't preserve their building up to earthquake standards. Mr. Bond stated that he believes that the City Council would require the building to meet earthquake codes if it was preserved.

Board Member Petersen suggested that an exact cost should be determined before fundraising begins.

Fall/Winter Tours:

Director Bott stated that even though Summer tours are over, they are still holding school and group activity tours.

Inventory:

Director Bott stated that inventory was stopped during the Summer, but will be resuming. Director Bott explained that inventory of the ground floor has been completed. Board Member Petersen suggested that the inventory focus be on the mine room first.

Staff Reports:

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Mr. Bond gave an update on the proposed Cultural Center, he stated that the City has started working with an architectural firm to create a preliminary rendering. The rendering is available on the City website, and mailers will be sent out this week with the rendering. Town hall meetings will be held on October 26th at 7 p.m. and October 28th at 10 a.m. to further educate residents on this project.

Board Member Petersen asked if the whole bond will be used for the senior center/library. Mr. Bond stated that the bond would be used for the new building, consisting of a Senior Center and Library. It is projected to be a 20-year bond. Board Member Robbins asked if a portion of the money needed for the museum could be bonded for after fundraising money is raised. Mr. Bond stated that it would need to be approved by the Council in the future.

Holiday Board meetings:

Director Bott suggested not having a meeting in December. The board agreed to resume their normal meetings in January.

Board Member Robbins Motioned to adjourn. Board Member Kester seconded. All in favor in the affirmative. Adjournment at 5:07 p.m.

Jenny Fernelius, Museum Board Chair

Kira Petersen, Deputy City Recorder