



Board Meeting at Loken's Inn Meeting Room March 13, 2024

Call to Order: The meeting was called to order at 7:03 p.m. Board members Terri Benson, Jack O'Donnell, Nancy Snyder and Sally Ryman were present.

Secretary's Report: Minutes of the February 5 board meeting were posted on the website. Moved by Terri, seconded by Nancy, to approve the January minutes. Motion carried.

Treasurer's Report: Jack reported the following balances as of February 29, 2024:

1. Checking (.25%) – \$2,096.61 – Phone bill, safety deposit box, security system, and MacDonald and Mack bills will be paid in March; \$4,000 will be transferred from the Money Market account to the Checking account to cover these bills.
2. Money Market (4.25%) – \$36,969.57
3. CD (12 month@ 4.95%) - \$53,202.28 (matured January 13 and renewed for 6 months at 4.95%)
4. February Fund Drive Recap & Continuing Fundraising – We exceeded the \$5,000 goal. We received \$7,640.00 in February + \$845.00 in March for a total of \$8,485.00 with many smaller donations as well as a few of \$500 or more. Terri drafted a thank you letter for Rushford State Bank, Merchant's and Rushford Community Foundation. For the next phase of fundraising, board members will contact businesses and organizations either in person or by letter/email through April.

Moved by Nancy, seconded by Terri, to approve the treasurer's report as presented. Motion carried.

Consent Agenda

1. Terri will schedule photo ops with RSB, Merchant's and RCF to present the thank you letters.
2. St. John's School field trip request for May 16 with 16 students, tour buildings Jenny Zenke 507-313-1410 – late morning. Nancy will put it on her calendar and Jack will make sure it's clean. Other helpers welcome!
3. Library Roots & Rhythm – The library received a grant to host the following events Thursday nights: June 6 with Darr Family Band; June 13, The Rutabaga Brother; July 18, TravAce; July 25 is Østerlide, a musical group from Norway. Beth Nelson would like a story board about the old gazebo and RAHS volunteers to come to the events. Jack will talk to Beth about offering popcorn as a RAHS fundraising event.
4. Library Sunset Story Time are scheduled for June 26 and July 31.
5. Rushford Wagon – Kim Sherwood from Texas would like to donate an original Rushford Wagon to RAHS. Demery at Fillmore County Historical Society will ask their board if they could store/display it until we have a permanent place for it. Possibly RAHS could build a simple barn on our site to showcase all our ag items. The board determined there are local places to store it short term and Terri will let Kim know that we want it.

Moved by Sally, seconded by Terri, to accept the consent agenda as presented. Motion carried.

Meeting Topics

Status of depot – We are waiting for SHPO approval of our plans before we can go out for bids. In the meantime, Todd Grove has been working on the CDs for the bids. The board reviewed those plans and approved them with a few minor changes. (Follow up: since the meeting we have received CD approval from John Beaty.)

Adjournment: Moved by Sally, seconded by Terri, to adjourn at 8:34 p.m. Motion carried.

Next meeting – TBD since April 1 is Easter