

Shakopee Heritage Society
General Membership
Meeting Minutes
Jan. 16, 2016

The meeting was called to order by President Joe Collins at 1:04 p.m. at the downstairs meeting room of the library. There were 26 people attending according to the sign in sheet, which was a good crowd for such a cold day in January.

The secretary's report was read by Melissa Whiting. A motion to approve the sec. report was made by Don McNeil, Lois Wendt, seconded. Motion passed. Pat Ploumen read the treasurer's report. We have \$8017.74 in the bank. A motion to approve the treas. Report was made by Jay Whiting, Don Wagner seconded. Motion passed.

On April 21 from 6-8 we will have a booth at the high school for the AVID Fair. It is a chance for high school students to see what jobs and volunteer opportunities are in the community.

Pat P. reported that we have our mural photo framed. It was passed around for all to see. We hope to put it on display in various places such as city hall, and we will have it on display at our booth at various functions. Joe will contact Mark Noble at city hall to see if we can place it there for a time.

The "Remember When" column continues to get good feedback from all who read it. If anyone is interested in getting the column via e-mail, please sign the sheet on the table and Wes Reinke will add you to the list. The e-mail version has more entries than the version that is in the paper.

We have had a display in the case on the 2nd floor of the library for a couple months now. We will be taking it down next Thurs. at our board meeting, so please view it today if you are interested.

The interpretive park committee is working on the photos, sign design and wording for the signs in the park. Jay would like a promotional poster to take to various businesses to secure sponsorship. Jay will donate a Turtles 1890 Social Club hall rental for a fundraiser for the park.

Several people have viewed our photos on the website and inquired about how they can get copies. Several of our board members collected the information from the MHS and SCHS on what they charge for photos and we will use a similar format.

Some ideas for a spring field trip are a tour of Rahr and lunch at O'Brien's Pub, which is to open soon. Also mentioned was a visit to the Sibley house.

The next general membership meeting will be Sat. April 16, at 1:00 at the library downstairs meeting room. Betty Dols is scheduled to be our speaker.

If anyone has newsletter ideas, please contact any board member.

We need to update the by-laws before we hold elections, so the board will have the changes to be voted on at the next meeting and then we can hold elections then. Jay made a motion to nominate Dave Schleper as Research Technician and as such will have a vote on the board. Wes seconded the motion. Motion passed.

A motion to adjourn was made by Wes, second by Jay. Motion passed. We adjourned at 1:40.

We took a break to enjoy some refreshments and listened to Jesse Theis talk about the long and very interesting history of Rahr Malting.

Submitted by Melissa Whiting, Secretary.