

Meeting of Sparta Township Historical Commission
Historical Commission Research Center
72 North Union Street Sparta, MI
Monthly Meeting
September 2,2025

Meeting Called to order at 6:00pm
Pledge of Allegiance

Members of the Commission Present: Jaime Brooks, Doug Pinckney, Robert Cumings, Keith Anderson Roxanne Claxton, Dale Bergman, and Jim Tuinstra,

Members of the Commission Absent: JoAnne VanderWerff

Friends of the Commission Present: Bonnie R

Minutes:

Motion to Approve minutes from July 1,2025 meeting by Keith Anderson, Second by Jim Tuinstra, Motion Approved

Doug P-Yes	Dale B- Yes	Robert C-Yes	Vacant	Joanne VW-N/A
Roxanne C –Yes	Keith A –Yes	Jaime B-Yes	Jim T-Yes	

No meeting for August 2025 due to not enough for a quorum.

Financials:

Donations in Jim Lyals name is at \$1,182.00

General Fund Balance is \$2,918.41

Projects Fund Balance is \$8,447.68

Motion to Approve financials for June, July, and August, by Roxanne Claxton, Second by Jim Tuinstra, Motion Approved.

Doug P-Yes	Dale B- Yes	Robert C-Yes	Vacant	Joanne VW-N/A
Roxanne C –Yes	Keith A –Yes	Jaime B-Yes	Jim T-Yes	

Committee Reports:

Notables- waiting for the booklets to arrive back from printer. Doug Pinckney has some of the frames done for the pictures so far \$60 in cost of supplies for the frames

Flowers- Keith Anderson will be changing out of the flower box soon.

Maintenance- Doug Pinckney will be getting new locks for the Veterans Museum.

Artifacts/Archival- Bob Cumings working on getting pictures and articles on his Uncle Archie's war service.

Jim Tuinstra is working on the next tour book and should be done soon.

Old Business:

Sue Blackall will have an event at the Meyer School Museum showcasing Native American food and culture. 12:30pm – 2:00pm.

New Business:

Doug Pinckney kept the commission informed on changing conditions of the Historical Commissions use of the Sparta Civic Center.

Apple Festival is Saturday September 20, 2025. Veterans museum will be open 2-5pm.

Ridge Consortium meeting will be Tuesday, September 9 at Amore Restaurant 5:00pm.

Next Meeting will be Tuesday, October 7, 2025, at 6:00PM

Motion to Adjourn by Robert Cumings, Second by Jim Tuinstra Motion Approved

Doug P-Yes	Dale B- Yes	Robert C-Yes	Vacant	Joanne VW-N/A
Roxanne C – Yes	Keith A –Yes	Jaime B-Yes	Jim T-Yes.	

Meeting Adjourned at 7:19pm

Submitted by Jaime Brooks