

Sparta Township Historical Commission
Monthly Meeting
April 7, 2018
Meeting called to order at 9:00am

Members of the Commission Present: Larry Carter, Jaime Brooks, Jeff VanSyckle, Adele Jones, Rick Kingsbury, Tim Shangle, Jim Tuinstra, Lisa VanderWerff, JoAnne VanderWerff

Friends of the Commission Present: Karen Barnum, Dave Andrus, Jayne Heath, Dan Salas, Jim Lyals

Minutes of the March 3, 2018 meeting were read by Jaime Brooks, Motion to Approve by Lisa VanderWerff, Second by Jim Tuinstra, Motion Approved

Financial Report

General Fund Balance is \$6,414.08 Project Fund Balance is \$5,427.63 Motion to Approve by Jaime Brooks, Second by Jim Tuinstra, Motion Approved

Motion to ask the Friends for a deposit of \$2,000 into the Commissions account by Tim Shangle, Second by Jim Tuinstra, Motion Approved

Old Business :

The Township gave the approval of a \$13,000 annual stipend

Sparta Today Article of Shorty's Monument and the local history club will be in the June issue

Notables 2018 sub committee will meet on April 24 , 2018

Next Friends meeting is May 14, 2018

Artifacts/Archival:

Lonnie Forman donated postcards, and Bettis Memorial guest book from the service of Jay Croninger

New Business:

New intern Jonathan Strom will start the first week of May

Thank you to Andrew for serving as the current intern

Larry Carter will interview Tom and Mary Bliss for Grand Marshals

Motion to Allow the Sparta Township Historical Commission to let go of artifacts, documents, and non Sparta related items by Jeff VanSyckle, Second by Jaime Brooks, Motion Approved

May 2, 2018 is Local History Night in Grand Rapids with the Ridge Consortium

Next Meeting will be on May 5, 2018 at 9:00am

Motion to Adjourn at 11:30 am

Submitted by Jaime Brooks