

Historical Society Board Meeting Minutes
November 20, 2008

Call to order by President Roger Emmerich

Present: Shirley Pleus, Jim Seidl, Shirley Werner, Louise Paul, Harold and Dee Gowey, Elaine Mravik, Dorothy Falasky, Adrienne Hennlich and Roger Emmerich.

Minutes: The minutes were approved on motion by Dee Gowey and seconded by Dorothy Falasky. Motion Carried.

Financial Report: The report was approved on motion by Shirley Pleus and seconded by Louise Paul. Motion carried.

President's Report: Roger presented the proposed 2009 budget to the board. Motion made to approve budget by Dee Gowey and seconded by Shirley Werner. Motion carried.

Correspondence: Received letter of inquiry regarding lumber and sawmill history of northern Wisconsin. It was suggested he be given names of persons that may be able to help. The info requested was for a book he is writing and very detailed.

Old Business: Chamber of Commerce membership is \$50.00 per year for non-profit organizations. Motion made to join the Chamber was made by Louise Paul and seconded by Shirley Werner. Motion carried.

New Business: Nominating committee for election of board members are Roger Emmerich, Shirley Pleus and Shirley Werner. Motion made to approve Dorothy Falasky and treasurer for 2008 by Jim Seidl and seconded by Louise Paul. Motion carried. It was discovered that we forgot to have the treasurer on the list of officers to be re-elected in January of this year. The treasurer position will be put on the list of officers to be elected January of 2009 for a 2 year term.

Items for sale in the museum: Post cards with historic photos, stationery, etc. Inquire about cost or where available.

Elaine presented a gift card received from County Market. It will be used for the potluck lunch in January at the membership meeting.

Genealogy has a church directory and a 1910 census book. Motion made to purchase both books by Dorothy Falasky and seconded by Louise Paul. Motion carried.

Discussion was held on membership categories. Family \$15.00-2 people, supporting, Friend-individual-\$50.00 and a dinner ticket, Sustaining-\$500.00-2 dinner tickets. This proposal by the President will be looked at for 2010.

The General membership meeting will be held, Sat., Jan 17, 2009 at 11:00 A.M. Pot Luck lunch.

Motion to adjourn made by Harold Gowey and seconded by Shirley Pleus.

Adrienne Hennlich, Secretary

Taylor County Historical Society Meeting Minutes
October 16, 2008

Meeting was called to order by President Roger Emmerich

Present: Andy Brost, Don Brunner, Augusta Freiboth, Dee & Harold Gowey, Bill Baker, Sara Nuernberger, Roger Emmerich, Adrienne Hennlich, Elaine Mravik, Shirley Pleus and Louise Paul.

The minutes were approved on motion by Dee Gowey and seconded by Harold Gowey. Motion carried.

Financial Report: The report was approved on motion by Harold Gowey and seconded by Dee Gowey. Motion carried. Payroll has a balance of \$8,285.72 as of 6-30-08. Wages were \$2,105.60, FICA \$348.84 and Unemployment \$23.29. Motion made by Andy Brost and seconded by Bill Baker to approve payroll report. Motion carried.

Curator's Report: We are working on a large collection of artifacts to be accessioned. There is a Girl Scout tour on November 3, 2008.

President's Report: We sent a news release to the Star News & WKEB announcing winners of the raffle done each year during the fair. The Star News put the news release in the paper as a paid ad and our treasurer paid for it. I recommend we not send this to Star News in the future and just post winners at the office and on the courthouse public notice board. We can continue to send news releases to WKEB as they do respect these notices. We do contact winners immediately following the drawing. Thank you to the committee for the work on the ethnic dinner and to Sara for her help. Discussion was held on next year's dinner. Read letter from Internal Revenue Service, dated 9-20-08, verifying organization as a tax exempt club. Roger thanked Dan Mayer for his assistance in obtaining this letter.

Old Business: Sue Emmerich & Sara Nuernberger attended the training on the Past Perfect program in Eau Claire, last week. Sara explained the program. Will start data entry in the near future

New Business: The president said there won't be any board meetings until January unless necessary. January is membership meeting and election of officers. Plan for a pot luck on a Saturday. Plan a membership drive and establish a committee. A membership committee meeting will be held on Thursday, Nov. 13, 2008 at 9:30. Those meeting will be Bill, Don, Roger, Elaine and Adrienne.

Motion made by Louise and seconded by Augusta to adjourn.

Adrienne Hennlich, Secretary

Taylor County Historical Society
Meeting Minutes
Date: September 18, 2008

Time: 4:00 P.M.

Call to order: By Pres. Roger Emmerich. Thank you to Loretta & Hildegard Kuse for having us at their family Museum for our fall picnic and general membership meeting.

Present: Elaine Mravik, Augusta Freiboth, Sue and Roger Emmerich, Hildegard & Loretta Kuse, Harold & Dee Gowey, Frank & Judy Skibbie, Shirley & Pat Pleus, Adrienne Hennlich, Mr & Mrs Bizer, 4th grade teachers, and many other guests.

Minutes: The Minutes were approved on motion by Dee Gowey and seconded by Augusta Freiboth.

Financial Report: The Finance report was approved on motions by Sue Emmerich and seconded by Augusta Freiboth. Motion carried.

Curator's Report: Accessioning of artifacts, several visitors have been to the museum.

President's Report: Dan Mayer and Assoc. will handle any correspondence from the IRS, he received a letter from the IRS regarding the tax exempt status of our organization. They accepted our E filing as a Tax Exempt Organization.

Correspondence: A group from Russia and Sweden were in Prentice for the Caterpillar Co. and requested to see the museum.

Old Business: The first highway shop bldg constructed in 1927 located north of the current Hwy shop will be removed by the DOT. They will create displays of Taylor County's Hwy Transportation Dept. history, photos, etc. Bob Rusch, Paul Nagel and Hildegard & Loretta Kuse were names suggested to be interviewed by the DOT committee that is doing the display. Sue Emmerich & Sara Nuernberger will be attending a training workshop on the Past Perfect program on Oct 7th, for entering all accessioning items.

New Business: Ethnic dinner is Saturday, Oct 11th at 3:00, dinner at 5:00. The catered meal will consist of a Scandinavian menu. The curators need acid free boxes in various sizes. A motion made by Dee Gowey and seconded by Augusta Freiboth to approve purchase of boxes in the amount of \$300.00. Motion carried.

Museum will be closed from mid November thru December. Will reopen after the 1st of the year.

Meeting adjourned by motion of Dorothy Falasky and seconded by Frank Skibbie. Meeting adjourned.

Adrienne Hennlich
Secretary

Taylor County Historical Society
August 21, 2008
Board Meeting minutes

Call to order: By Pres. Roger Emmerich

Present: Dee & Harold Gowey, Dorothy Falasky, Elaine Mravik, Don Brunner, Andy Brost, Sara Nuernberger, Jim Seidl, Louise Paul, Shirley Pleus, Adrienne Hennlich & Roger Emmerich.

Minutes: The Minutes were approved on motion by Dee and seconded by Jim. Motion carried.

Financial Report: The Finance report was approved on motion by Andy and seconded by Sara. Motion carried.

Curator's Report: We received favorable comments on the new layout of the museum. New items donated are historic display case, photos and model T jacks. Log cabin needs repairs near the chimney, roof needs replacing and interior chinking needs repair. Sign for print shop to identify building. Correct the school sign (date Circa 1870's).

President's Report: Garage: This fall to work arranging items, etc. Interest in print shop, need for a DVD to provide info on the print shop equipment. Suggested to have historic tractors displayed near log cabin for next year's fair.

Correspondence: President presented a letter from the Wis. DOT regarding a \$5,000.00 grant to develop the history of Taylor County's transportation industry. This grant being offered due to the need to remove a 1927 hwy shop building due to reconstruction of Hwy 13 north. Motion by Jim and seconded by Dee to accept option (2) offered by the DOT, to have their staff develop the history and prepare displays for an exhibit for our museum. Motion carried.

Old Business: President informed the board that he had contacted Mayer & Assoc. of Medford to contact the IRS to clear up any questions involved with the society's tax exempt status. Mayer & Assoc. will handle any correspondence from the IRS in the future, regarding tax exempt status.

New Business: Dee suggested to look into the cost of security post and rope for next meeting.

Ethnic dinner: Plan to honor local families of Norwegian descent this year, with the dinner held on Sat. Oct 11th. President asked for volunteers to work on the dinner and program. We will have meeting in Sept for coordination of dinner and program.

Dorothy, treasurer, asked for action from the board regarding 6 month CD. Motion made by Dee and seconded by Sara, to roll over 6 Mo. CD at Time Federal. Motion carried.

Next meeting is Thurs. Sept 18th a general membership meeting, and will be held at Kuse family museum at 4:00 P.M. (annual picnic) pot luck. The historical society will provide the chicken. Meeting adjourned on motion by Dorothy and seconded by Sara.

Adrienne Hennlich
Secretary

Taylor County Historical Society
Meeting Minutes
Date: July 17, 2008 at 9:30 a.m.

Call to order: By Pres. Roger Emmerich

Present: Dorothy Falasky, Harold & Dee Gowe, Don Brunner, Bill Baker, Andy Brost, Louise Paul, Augusta Freiboth, Sara Nuernberger, Elaine Mravik & Adrienne Hennlich.

Minutes: The Minutes were approved on motion by Augusta and seconded by Dee. Motion carried.

Financial Report: The Finance report was approved on motion by Dee and seconded by Louise. Motion carried.

Payroll Account: Motion made to approve payroll acct. by Dorothy and seconded by Dee. Motion carried. Motion made by Dee to authorize payment of telephone & supplies. Louise seconded. Motion carried.

Curator's Report: Fair schedule (sign up), many visitors this summer. Don put the Plexiglas on bookshelves. Dairy breakfast was well attended. Sell tickets in the museum at the fair.

President's Report: Wisconsin DOT letter RE: demolition of old hwy shop, due to highway construction. The project involves research by a professional historian or options of receiving \$5,000.00 grant and develop our own. Review options of correspondence from Elizabeth Miller, Historic Preservation Consultant.

New Business:

Sheri Heier called requesting the Historical Society be open on Saturday the 26th from 2:00 to 4:00 for the Auto club's trivia contest. They wanted the trivia questions to be of the history of Taylor County. Volunteers needed: Cabin (Dorothy), School (Augusta), Museum (Sara and Louise).

Establish a written policy regarding loaning DVD, VHS tapes, photos, etc. We have examples for a policy that needs to be written for our museum. Sara will help to develop the policy. (contact State Historical Society for info).

Fair discussion: Item to guess "what is it?" near the door. Need a tent. Motion made by Sara to authorize Don to purchase a tent, seconded by Dee. Motion carried. We will send a news release to Radio station and Star News with list of winners and prizes from our raffle.

Forest History membership: Discontinue membership. Motion made by Andy, seconded by Louise. Motion carried.

Sara to find plastic sleeves for the WWII military book.

Meeting adjourned on motion by Dee and seconded by Andy. Meeting Adjourned.

Secretary: Adrienne Hennlich

Taylor County Historical Society
Board Minutes of May 15, 2008

Call to order: President Roger Emmerich

Present: Dorothy Falasky, Sara Nuernberger, Shirley Pleus, Jim Seidl, Don Brunner, Bill Baker, Augusta Freiboth, Harold & Dee Gowey, Elaine Mravik and Adrienne Hennlich.

Minutes: The minutes approved on motion by Jim and seconded by Dee. Motion carried.

Financial Report: The financial report was approved on motion by Harold and seconded by Augusta. Motion carried.

Curator's Report: School and log cabin cleaned for school tours May 15th through June 5th.

President's Report: Received a card from new judge, Ann Knox-Bauer, on the story of the fish from Judge Carlson's office, which is now in the museum.

Discussed 4th grade history book being developed by the State Historical Society.

Free breakfast for volunteers at dairy breakfast. Approved on motion by Dee and seconded by Augusta. Motion carried

New dry sink built by Roger for kitchen display. Shirley Pleus donated materials for curtains in display.

Motion to authorize a computer book for Sara. Jim made motion and seconded by Dee. Motion carried.

Raffle tickets: 1st prize \$100.00, 2nd prize \$75.00, 3rd prize \$50.00. Children's prizes: Six \$5.00. Motion to approve prizes by Sara and seconded by Harold. Motion carried.

Donations for prizes: Jim Seidl \$100.00, Augusta Freiboth \$75.00, Louise Paul \$50.00, Dorothy Falasky-Children's prizes.

Authorize two people to attend Chippewa Valley training meeting on October 7-9th. Motion made by Dee, seconded by Dorothy. Motion carried. Cost \$119.00 session for each person.

New Business: Sara reported on open house 6-8-08, posters, electronic sign and channels 7 and 9. Adrienne on advertising in Star News, Roger radio station.

We will look into donating our collection of National Geographic Magazines to the Medford library.

Motion to adjourn by Don, Seconded by Dee. Meeting adjourned.

Next Membership meeting 6-8-08 after open house.

Adrienne Hennlich
Secretary

Taylor County Historical Society
Membership Meeting Minutes
April 12, 2008

President Roger Emmerich called meeting to order.

Present: Sue Emmerich, Shirley Werner, Dorothy Falasky, Jim Seidl, Dee and Harold Gowey, Elaine Mravik, Don Brunner, Marcia & Bob Grissman, Louise Paul, Dorothy Hodge, Corliss Jensen, Adrienne Hennlich.

Minutes: Motion made by Dee Gowey to approve the minutes and seconded by Sue Emmerich. Motion carried.

Financial Report: Motion made by Jim Seidl to approve and seconded by Harold Gowey Motion carried.

Curator's Report: Continue work on museum renovation, court house showcase changed, school tours for the 4th graders are scheduled for the last two weeks in May. Set a cleaning day for school house and cabin. Review tour booklet from State Historical Society.

Correspondence: Wisconsin Council for Local History--\$15.00 donation requested.

Old Business: Raffle license should be sent in after 4-20-08, get contributions from local businesses. Jim Seidl donated \$100.00, as a cash prizes for raffle, print tickets.

Roger gave an explanation of renewing tax exempt status and gave a big Thank You to all volunteers who helped with the renovation.

New Business: Museum open house will be held in conjunction with the dairy breakfast June 8th and June membership meeting. Breakfast served from 7:00 A.M. to 1:00 P.M.

Motion to authorize ad for open house in the amount of \$100.00 total, to Star News and WKEB/WIGM made by Don Brunner and seconded by Louise Paul. Motion carried.

Inquire to see if advertisement could be put on the electronic sign in front of museum.

Curators requested that an effort be made to display the covered wagon outside for the school tours.

Motion to adjourn made by Dorothy and seconded by Sue. Meeting adjourned.

Next Board meeting, Thursday May 15th at 9:30 A.M.

Adrienne Hennlich
Secretary

Taylor County Historical Society
Meeting Minutes
March 20, 2008

Call to order: by Pres. Roger Emmerich

Present: Shirley Pleus, Dorothy Falasky, Andy Brost, Louise Paul, Sara Nuernberger, Elaine Mravik, Adrienne Hennlich & Bob Grissman

Minutes: The minutes were approved on motion by Louise Paul and seconded by Sara Nuernberger. Motion carried.

Financial Report: The finance report was approved on motions by Andy Brost and seconded by Shirley Pleus. Motion carried.

Curator's Report: Sara is deaccessioning artifacts in the records. Work continues to restore the museum. We are arranging new exhibits.

President's Report: Review calendar of events-Fair July 31 to Aug. 3rd. Committee in May or (April) for ethnic dinner.

New Business: Raffle tickets: Apply for license by April 20th. Contact businesses for donations for raffle prizes. Consider an interview at radio station and also Star News ad for open house in June (during dairy breakfast). Consider photos of visitors at fair near the covered wagon, which will be on display outside the museum.

Next meeting will be the general membership on Saturday, April 12th at 11:00 A.M. A potluck lunch will be served.

Motion made by Dorothy Falasky and seconded by Louise Paul to adjourn.

Adrienne Hennlich
Secretary

Taylor County Historical Society
Board Meeting Feb. 21, 2008

President Roger Emmerich called the meeting to order.

Present: Louise Paul, Dorothy Falasky, Don Brunner, Jim Seidl, Bill Baker, Sara Nuernberger, Shirley Pleus, Andy Brost, Elaine Mravik and Adrienne Hennlich.

Minutes: A motion made by Andy to accept the minutes as typed and seconded by Dorothy. Motion carried.

Financial Report: Treasurers report given by Dorothy Falasky. The board authorized the treasurer and the president to invest current surplus funds in CDs at rates most favorable to society. Motion made by Jim and seconded by Andy to accept. Motion carried.

Curator's report: Do to lack of storage space, the town of Rib Lake and Gilman tax records are to be deaccessioned. We will contact the municipal officials to offer the return of these records. A motion made by Dorothy, seconded by Louise. Motion carried.

Old Business: Annual report filed 2-21-08 to State Historical Society. Thank you volunteers for your continued help to restore the museum.

New Business: Discussed an open house and membership meeting during the farmer's breakfast. Will advertise in the Star News and on radio. The board is in agreement for the event. A committee will work to organize the open house.

Sara Nuernberger to attend a workshop at Wisconsin Dells on 5-18-08. The \$30.00 fee and mileage will be reimbursed to Sara.

Wal-Mart has donated \$2,000.00 to the museum, which will be presented on March 5th and the grand opening is March 7th.

The museum is in the process of applying for a new tax exempt number for non-profit organizations. The old number was inadvertently over looked, resulting in a dormant category. The cost for the new 501-3C category re-instatement will be \$700.00. The number to make purchases remains the same. Motion made by Don and seconded by Elaine to contact an accountant to be responsible for all IRS correspondence. Motion carried.

A collection policy will be established for donations to the museum.

A motion to adjourn by Andy, seconded by Dorothy. Meeting adjourned.

Next board meeting is Thursday, March 20th at 9:30 A.M.

Adrienne Hennlich
Secretary

Taylor County Historical Society
Membership Meeting
January 19, 2008

President Roger Emmerich called the meeting to order.
Twenty members and guests were present.

Minutes: A motion to accept the minutes made by Sue Emmerich and seconded by Dorothy Falasky. The motion carried

Financial Report: A motion to accept the report made by Andy Brost and seconded by Louise Paul. Motion carried.

Curator's Report: The wildlife exhibit has been moved. Thank you Roger, Jim Kenney, Andy Brost, Don Brunner, Bob Grissman and Bill Baker. Deaccessioning of books and artifacts that are unacceptable and duplicates are sorted from the store room. The items being removed will be offered to the Museum being developed in Dorchester.

Old Business: Several large pieces of farm machinery have been moved to the village garage. The final cost of the garage is \$4,000.00.

New Business: The 2008 budget was reviewed and a motion to accept was made by Andy Brost and seconded by Shirley Werner. Motion carried.

A request for \$5,000.00 from the general fund for building museum improvements made by Roger. A motion to authorize the funding was made by Corliss Jensen and seconded by Louise Paul. Motion carried.

Election of Officers:

The nominating committee of Don Brunner, Elaine Mravik and Adrienne Hennlich presented the following names for the offices, whose terms have expired. For President: Roger Emmerich. A motion to nominate Roger by Don Brunner and seconded by Corliss Jensen, after the third request for other nominations, Shirley Werner moved that a unanimous ballot be cast and seconded by Andy Brost. Motion Approved.

For Payroll Administrator: Shirley Werner. A motion to nominate Shirley was made by Dorothy Falasky and seconded by Andy Brost, after the third request for other nominations, Hildegard Kuse moved that a unanimous ballot be cast and seconded by Elaine Mravik. Motion approved.

For Board Members: Louise Paul, Jim Seidl, Sara Nuernberger, Dee Gowey, Shirley Pleus and Bill Baker, after the third request for other nominations, Corliss Jensen moved that a unanimous ballot be cast and seconded by Andy Brost. Motion Approved

Board meetings are scheduled for the third Thursday of the month at 9:30 A.M. Sara can setup a non-profit Web site at no charge.

Recommendations to develop a collection policy will be considered at the next board meeting. The next board meeting will be Thursday, February 21 at 9:30 A.M.

A motion to adjourn made by Andy and seconded by Dorothy. Meeting Adjourned.

Adrienne Hennlich
Secretary