

Ortonville Community Historical Society  
Membership Meeting Minutes  
Old Mill Museum  
September 10, 2024, 6:00 pm

**Members Present:** Carol Egbo, June King, Ken Bush, Pat George, Scott Broughton, Alan & Tina Allgaier, Mary Alice & Arnold Seelbinder, Mary Kassuba, Kathy Gauthier, Grace Geisler, Judy Miracle, Koz (Steve Kozlowski)

**Absent with notice:** LuAnn Mann

**Formal Meeting:** Order was called at 6:08 PM by President Judy Miracle.

**Pledge of Allegiance:** All participated.

**Agenda:** Motioned to approve with additions by Mary Alice, supported by Ken.

**Approved Minutes:** Motioned to approve the August 13th Membership meeting minutes as written by Alan, supported by Kathy. Approved.

**Treasurer's Report:** The treasurer reported decreased funds due to training expenses. Motioned to approve TR of August 31, 2024, by Alan, supported by Mary. Approved.

**Old Business:**

- A. 5-year Financial Plan - Committee Report (Alan, Scott, and Mary) See September 4, 2024 Board Meeting Minutes for more information. The plan is contingent on the approval of the Ochs agreement with the village, in which the village manager will review the agreement.
- B. Septemberfest - September 14: Apple Pie Baking Contest and Kids Pie Eating Contest. Additional Volunteers are welcome.
- C. Downstairs Door Repair -The downstairs door has been repaired. The team discussed potential safety concerns related to the door and the fire alarm system. It was decided not to place a panic bar on the door.
- D. Elections are on October 8. Alan was nominated for President, Carol for Secretary, and two trustee positions are open.
- E. Witches Night is October 12 from 3 to 9 p.m. Tina is coordinating this year. Volunteers are needed to help with passports and registration for the Hat and Cackle Contests.
- F. Care Packages for Military (Miracle Boxes Report) - Tina reported they received \$350, allowing 14 boxes to be shipped overseas. Thank you all for your contributions!
- G. Mann School Tours - No updates; waiting on the curriculum director
- H. Furnaces and Water - Report - Hamilton Propane looked at the furnace in the Mann School. They determined that Consumer's needs to turn on the gas with a special tool that Consumer's has. Once on, Hamilton's can run a gas detection test. Hamilton's is also going to give the village manager an estimate for the furnace in the kitchen.

- I. Christmas in the Village - Friday, December 6 and Saturday, December 7. Potential for the Old Mill to have a living nativity scene on Saturday. There was discussion of decorating the Old Mill 100% for the holiday. They will decorate on November 9. Please drop in, if you are available to help! We will also run the Bake Sale and need volunteers to make food and run the table.
- J. Coverage on Saturdays - There is a Sign-up Calendar at the Old Mill. Please consider signing up to help open the Old Mill on a Saturday from now until December 7, 2024.

**New Business:**

- A. Hamilton Room Suggestion—The group discussed the possibility of creating a library in the military room's overflow room. Concerns were raised about accessibility and security. It was decided to obtain estimates for renovating the space and explore options.
- B. Sewing Machine Repair—The team discussed whether the sewing machine needed to be repaired or replaced. It was decided to obtain estimates for repairing the machine and consider purchasing a new one.
- C. Wedding Shower - Shauna is getting Married in November, and the group discussed having a little wedding shower at the end of the October Membership Meeting.

Adjourn - At 7:28 PM, Judy motioned to adjourn. Supported by Mary. Approved.

Respectfully submitted by Shauna Quick, Vice President.