



MONROE COUNTY MUSEUM SYSTEM BOARD OF TRUSTEES

Regular Meeting

Thursday, October 26, 2023 | 7 pm

Monroe County Museum
126 South Monroe Street
Monroe, Michigan 48161

AGENDA

1. Call to Order
2. Roll Call
3. Approval of Agenda
4. Approval of Minutes from Regular Meeting of September 20, 2023
5. Public Comment
6. Awards Committee SOS Recommendations
7. Projects Committee Update
8. Board Comments
9. Adjournment

Next Meeting:

Call of the Chair
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2023 MONROE COUNTY MUSEUM SYSTEM BOARD OF TRUSTEES	2023 COMMITTEES
Chair Brian Egen, District 6 Vice Chair Jeremy Potter, District 1 Secretary Michael Humphries, District 8 Immediate Past Chair Hobby Nels Trustee Emeritus Richard Micka Trustee Thomas Heywood, District 2 Trustee Mary Strevel, District 3 Trustee L William Conner, District 4 Trustee Michelle LaVoy, District 5 Trustee Tony Trujillo, District 7 Trustee Nick Guthrie, District 9	Executive Committee Chair: Brian Egen Members: Jeremy Potter, Michael Humphries, Hobby Nels, Andrew Clark, and JJ Przewozniak Awards Committee Chair: Michelle LaVoy Members: Thomas Heywood, Mary Strevel, Tony Trujillo, and Andrew Clark Markers Committee Chair: Jeremy Potter Members: Brian Egen, Nicholas Guthrie, Michael Humphries, Lynn Reaume, and Andrew Clark Projects Committee Chair: Michael Humphries Members: Bill Conner, Brian Egen, Tony Trujillo, and Andrew Clark

Mission Statement of the Monroe County Museum System

At the Monroe County Museum, we fuel and cultivate our visitors' curiosity through the exploration of Monroe County's rich and varied stories, joining together to unearth meaning and illuminate relevant connections between the past, present, and future.

MONROE COUNTY MUSEUM SYSTEM
BOARD of TRUSTEES
MEETING MINUTES
September 20th, 2023 at 7:00 p.m.
at the Monroe County Museum, 126 South Monroe Street, Monroe

Present: Brian Egen, Chairman	Jeremy Potter, Vice-Chairman	William Conner, Member
Tom Heywood, Member	Michael Humphries, Secretary	Michelle LaVoy Member
Richard Micka, Emeritus	Mary Strevel, Member	

Excused: Nick Guthrie, Member	Hobby Nels, Past Chairman	Tony Trujillo, Member
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Museum Staff: Director Clark	J.J. Przewozniak, Deputy Director	Lynn Reaume, County Historian
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Guests: Sue Donovan, Friends of Potter Cemetery	Anne Kleinow, former President of the Exeter Twp. Historical Society
Fred Monteleone, Exeter Twp. Historical Society President	

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Chairman Egen. Roll was called and there was a quorum.

Motion was made by J. Potter to approve the agenda, seconded by R. Micka; passed.

Approval of Minutes of the August 16th, 2023 Meeting: Motion made by T. Heywood, seconded by W. Conner to approve, and passed.

Public Comment #1: None

Committee Updates: Executive: Chairman Egen said the group has not met.

Spirit of Service Awards Committee: Chairperson M. LaVoy said the deadline was by the end of this month.

Building Committee: Director Clark said there was some positive progress moving forward.

Historical Markers Committee: Chairman J. Potter said 7 markers were taken for refurbishment to Sewah in Ohio. It was asked if photographs have been taken; they had. The city of Monroe is installing the latest refurbished city markers.

Projects Grant Committee: Chairman Humphries said the city of Monroe completed their application with a third bid for the Sawyer Homestead for the \$20,000 amount.

The Exeter township representatives requested a project extension and approval for remainder money to be used for complementary purchases. They were able to save money in different areas and had a reserve ca. \$1,200.80 that will cover more furnishings and use the balance. J. Potter made the motion to extend the Exeter grant to September 30, 2023, supported by T. Heywood; approved unanimously.

New Business: Staff Reports: R. Micka made the motion for the reports be passed as presented, seconded by T. Heywood, and approved.

Old Business: None

Public Comment #2: S. Donovan thanked the Trustees for the approval of Friends of Potter Cemetery grant.

Board Comments: General encouraging comments, especially on the revival this year of the historical marker refurbishments. Having the city of Monroe reinstall the returned markers was a help.

J. Potter said that the Ida Backyard History group is digitizing the High School yearbooks.

The October Night event was announced for October 13-14 at the Territorial Park.

The work session will be Thursday, October 26th at 5:00, with a meeting at 7:00.

With no other businesses, motion was made by J. Potter to adjourn, seconded by T. Heywood and the meeting was completed about 8:20 p.m.

Lynn W. Reaume
Acting recording secretary
9 October 2023