



## NOVI HISTORICAL COMMISSION

February Minutes  
 Wednesday, February 16, 2022  
 Novi Library Local History

**CALL TO ORDER:** 7:01pm

**ATTENDANCE:** Kathy Crawford, Rachel Manela, Kim Nice, Dan Pierce, Sharon Larson, Debbie Wrobel

**ABSENT:** Kelly Kasper (Excused),

**INTRODUCTION OF GUESTS:** Jim Lausch (Northville Genealogical Society) Betty Lang (Library Liaison), Lee Mamola (Novi resident), Sue Grifor (Volunteer)

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA:** ALL APPROVED as amended

**APPROVAL OF JANUARY MINUTES:** ALL APPROVED

**TREASURERS REPORT- Kim**

NOVI HISTORICAL COMMISSION  
 FINANCIAL SUMMARY REPORT - 2021/2022 Fiscal Year

	BUDGET	EXPENDITURES Through February 16, 2022	
Display Cabinet Exhibit	\$ 900	\$ (105.56)	
Marketing/Brochures/Engage/Name Badges	\$ 1,200	\$ (455.35)	
Equipment/Supplies/Office/Upgrades/Repairs	\$ 1,200	\$ -	
Program/Speaker Fees	\$ 900	\$ (200.00)	
Storage Unit	\$ 2,500	\$ (2,431.00)	
Acquisition (Books/Materials)	\$ 500	\$ (27.99)	
Conference/Continuing Education	\$ 2,200	\$ (99.00)	
Legal Fees	\$ 1,000	\$ -	
Special Projects	\$ 3,600	\$ (170.62)	
Examples: (Villa Barr, Photography, Veterans Sign, Oral Histories, City/Community Events, Motor City Marker)			
<b>Total:</b>	\$ 14,000	\$ (3,489.52)	\$ 10,510
<b>Equitable Projects</b>	Expenditures	Revenue Received	
Villa Barr Book Sales YTD		\$40.00 YTD	
Wreaths Across Novi Project	\$ (1,856.84)	\$2,150.00	\$ 798.34 carryover funds

Treasurer's Report: ALL APPROVED

Proposed Budget: ALL APPROVED

### COMMUNICATIONS:

#### Roger's Farm Washtub Donation:

Recommend donation go to a museum like Northville Mill Race or other local museum

#### Michigan In Perspectives Local History Conference: March 25-26<sup>th</sup>:

Commissioners will be reimbursed for attendance. Virtual conference

#### Spring Palooza:

Waiting to hear if anything is happening this year

#### Other Communications:

Annual OCHR Dues/Invoice Received: \$1200 for 2022. Note: Betty believes this was already paid: she and Kim were double checking on that.

Received March/April 2022 Michigan History Magazine

**Tributes/gifts for outgoing Commissioners, Debbie**

Clocks have been obtained.

Motion: To approve reimbursement of \$28.82 to Rachel Manela for shipping the gift

APPROVED

**History Room Office Hours:**

Monday 3/7 (12-2pm) Sharon Larson, Kathy Crawford

Monday, 3/21 (6-8 p.m.) Rachel Manela

**DISCUSSION ITEMS:**

**Omeka (Grave Sites):**

Dan Pierce will pay for 1-year fee for Omeka site (previously approved) and the Commission will reimburse. Dan will create a Novi Historical Commission email as login

**Lee Mamola Presentation (1832 Home at 44700 Nine Mile Road):**

Lee Mamola presented on his 1832 home; house was part of a deed from Pres. Andrew Jackson; Lee was a member of the Novi Planning Board in 1983 for three years; Phillip McElroy purchased home in 1951, The Mamola's moved into the house in 1990

**Historical Sites Brochure:**

Rachel will share a Google document with all the possible locations that can be on the brochure Commissioners need to vote on the locales that should remain on the brochure by next meeting

**Social Media Plan/Update:**

Rachel and Dan to develop social media guidelines and standards

**Upcoming Historical Program:**

Feb: Michigan and the underground Railroad

March: Michigan Women who Make a Difference (Jewish Historical Society)

April: The Walled Lake Amusement Park

**BACKBURNER PROJECTS:**

- Veteran's Memorial for KIA – Kim
- NHC Procedure Manual – Rae will have next month
- Storage Unit – Moved to agenda next month
- Cemetery sign removal/change
- Historic sites sign style
- Cemetery upkeep

**NEW BUSINESS:**

**Proposed Idea:**

Create miniatures of downtown Novi and its buildings to be able to walk people through display. Kathy will write up a formal proposal

**PUBLIC COMMENT: None**

**ADJOURN: 8:38 p.m.**