The Hiawatha History Commission met on October 14, 2019, at Hiawatha City Hall in Conference Room D with Pat Semelroth as Chair calling the meeting to order at 1:30 P.M. Members present: Merry Rooks, Marilyn James, and Carol Johnson.

Business:

Merry Rooks moved the approval of the agenda, seconded by Marilyn James. Motion carried.

Merry Rooks moved the approval of the September 16, 2019 minutes, seconded by Marilyn James. Motion carried.

Hiawatha Insights Articles
The Commission discussed the upcoming Insights Article topics and questioned if they had all of the pictures, they wanted to put in of the park signs. They decided to use pictures of the old signs instead of the current signs.

Book Finances
Semelroth said she is working with someone at Cedar Graphics and checking to see if they want to be a sponsor of the book and questioned the commission if they want a small book or something else. Semelroth commented she would like to publish what they have now.

Rooks commented to make a big book on the 75th anniversary and she thinks they should do something smaller for right now and have the interviews that have been done along with pictures available for the public to look through at the 70th anniversary celebration.

James said she doesn't feel that we would reach as many people if you get them to come in, they may not want to read through all of the interviews and look through pictures. James commented she would rather publish something smaller with what the commission has done now.

Semelroth commented they should look at the pioneers of the community, they are dying off and need something now to pass on to their children and right now they don't have anything. It's a never-ending book and can still continue on with it.

James made a motion to publish a smaller book with what they have already done, seconded by Johnson. AYES: Semelroth, Johnson, James. NAYS: Rooks.

The Commission is in agreement to send another letter out to businesses to ask for sponsorships and will work on stuffing envelopes and addressing them to get the letters ready to mail out.

Hiawatha 70th Birthday Celebration, June 12, 2020
The Commission discussed some general ideas for activities for the 70th celebration and will continue to keep thinking and discussing more ideas.

Other Business Discussion
Rooks commented that her daughter Janis Lyons would like to join the History Commission and will have her attend the next meeting.

Next meeting is November 4, 2019 at 1:30 p.m.

Merry Rooks moved to adjourn the meeting at 2:40 p.m., seconded by Marilyn James. Motion carried.

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Pat Semelroth, Chair