

The Hiawatha History Commission met on August 13, 2018, 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: Chris Ask, Dick Larson and Mary Beth Culbertson. Member absent: Sandy Brewer and Marilyn James. Guests: Merry Rooks

Business:

Mary Beth Culbertson moved the approval of the agenda, seconded by Chris Ask. Motion carried. Mary Beth Culbertson moved the approval of the July 9, 2018 meeting minutes, seconded by Chris Ask. Motion carried.

### **History Book Discussion with Cynthia Petersen**

Cynthia Petersen was not able to attend the meeting today.

### **Hiawatha Fun Fest Parade**

Pat Semelroth said her husband Dick would put his antique truck in the parade if it was nice weather. Semelroth asked if any of the History members were interested in participating in the Fun Fest parade on August 25. Dick Larson and Chris Ask volunteered. Pat Semelroth said she would ask Cynthia Petersen and Merry Rooks to participate in the parade, and encouraged commission members to invite others.

Pat Semelroth will fill out the parade application and put in a request to follow the fire trucks.

### **Hiawatha Insight Articles**

The History Commission will be doing a sneak peak series to provide residents with a look into the history book. Commission members discussed putting a photo in the newsletter asking residents to identify what they see. The answer will be provided in the following month's newsletter.

### **Other Business Discussion**

Chris Ask suggested asking Cynthia Petersen to put a post on Facebook asking the public if they have any information on the businesses in the early years.

Mary Beth Culbertson reported she spoke to Lorena Lawrence about a Halloween party thrown at Guthridge Park when her kids were little. Lorena Lawrence suggested Mary Beth Culbertson should contact Betty Mark and she is working on that.

Pat Semelroth mentioned she has been attempting to make contact with Peggy Hrcirik and Tom Pattersen to try to fill the open seat on the History Commission.

### **Work Session Date**

Pat Semelroth said she would contact Cynthia Petersen to check availability to hold another work session so the group can work on the history book.

History Committee members worked on the history book after the meeting.

Next meeting is September 10, 2018 at 1:30 p.m.