

**Rock Hall Museum Board Meeting**

**Minutes**

**Monday, January 9, 2023**

**In attendance: Steve Atkinson, Cathy Bramble, Andy Glenn, Dawn Jacobs, Robin Kurowski, Neal Metzbower. James Cook attended as a guest. A quorum was not present.**

**The meeting was called to order at 6:30pm.**

**The meetings from the December 21 meeting were presented. No corrections were noted. Due to the lack of a quorum, the minutes were not approved.**

**The Treasurer's report was presented by Dawn. Discussion was had regarding how much money the Town had received from the MHAA for the Interpretative Planning Project.**

**Election of officers was discussed, but no elections held due to lack of quorum. Elections will be held at the February meeting, if a quorum is present. Andy indicated that he would be willing to serve as Chairperson and Steve said that he would be willing to serve as Vice Chairperson. Andy mentioned that Terri had indicated she would be willing to continue as Secretary.**

**Old Business: Dawn provided an update on the status of cataloging the artifact records into CatlogIt. Don McAlonan has told Dawn that he has about half of the artifact list entered into the system. It was mentioned that the paper records that were given to Don don't account for anything past 2009. The Town Council has not yet approved a contract with any of the movers to move the artifacts to Tolchester. That will be discussed at the January 12th Mayor and Council meeting. Discussion was had about delaying that contract until we have clarity about the independent nonprofit situation and the potential for the artifacts to be moved at a lower cost after that organization is formed. Discussion was about the NEH grant application. Discussion was had regarding the Town Council's motion to privatize the museum. Cathy presented materials she had found about nonprofit organizations and shared a letter she had drafted that she intended to send to the Town Council. As no quorum was present to take a vote, it was decided to move this discussion until after the end of the Museum Board meeting.**

**New Business: Steve presented updates from the Museums of Kent and the Museums on Main St project. The Kent Cultural Center is opening on March 25th. The Museum on Main St exhibits will be in Chestertown from April 22nd through May 31st. Discussion was had about a potential exhibit or window display as a companion for this.**

**The meeting was adjourned at 7:10pm.**