

Museum Board Minutes  
Monday, March 13, 2023

The meeting was called to order at 6:30 pm. those in attendance were Andy Glenn, Steve Atkinson, Terri Mullikin, Chrissy Stickland, Neal Metzbower, Cathy Bramble, Robin Kurowski, James Cook. There is NOT a quorum present.

Minutes from The February meeting need corrections. They could not be approved since there was no quorum.

The Treasurer's Report shows \$3939.88

Old Business- Is the Grant transferable? That is unknown. That would be a State decision. Andy will check on training for Catalog It. Cathy will wait on movement of artifacts until questions from town can be addressed.

New Business- Laurie Walters, President of Main Street Rock Hall made a presentation. She would like to apply for a Main Street Improvement Grant for the beatification of the Main Street Corridor. Part of that involves work needed to repair the Old Salt statue on the corner of Main St and Rt. 20. The estimate for the cost of that work is \$10,000. She also presented a proposal to replace the Captain Wickes marker at the same corner. This would be done as part of the creation of a pocket park on that corner.

There is also an MHAA Grant available. The Main Street Rock Hall committee would like to apply for \$36,000. The grant requires a match. The application deadline was 3/6. Laurie was looking for a letter of support from the Museum Board.

After much discussion, The Museum Board decided that at the time, we could not provide that letter. Who was Laurie asking for support? The Museum Board or the 501-C\_3? There was a question of State support, since that corner shows up as state property, and there are maps that show the creation of a round-about there. Laurie did not have a budget to present. We have asked her to present one to show where the matching funds would come from. The Museum Board does not want to be financially responsible for the project if matching funds are not available. We tabled the request for a letter of support.

March 25- Grand opening of the Kent Cultural Alliance Building in Chestertown.

March 31- PBS premiere of Stories of the Chesapeake. It is being held at the Garfield Theater. Tickets are \$50. We are looking for a space in Rock Hall to hold a showing.

this year is the 250th anniversary of the Revolutionary War. There will be a meeting at Galena Firehouse on March 16 to discuss county plans for a celebration.

Chrissy said she would attend the Museums of Kent County Meeting to plan for the Museum of Main Street exhibit provided by the Smithsonian.

Cathy spoke to moving the artifacts. She is not charging for the move, nor is she charging rent on the space. She would like the packing materials to be paid for. She took money out of her own pocket to establish the 501-C-3. There is frustration over the move. We just want to get the artifacts before any more damage is done. Discussion was had as to how to get the artifacts ASAP- once the marina gets busy, it could be fall before the artifacts get moved.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:08 pm.