

MANFRED HISTORY AND PRESERVATION, INC.
ANNUAL MEETING-APRIL 22, 2007
VANG LUTHERAN CHURCH – 1:30 P.M.

Attending meeting:

Board Members:

Pete Anderson
Rose Anderson
Esther Boese
Verna Bowers
Laverne Johnson
Wanda Melchert
Herbert Ongstad
Audrey Solheim
Ruth Widiger

Others:

Wesley Boese
Gwyn Herman
Pamela Norstedt

Call to Order: Audrey called the meeting to order. All nine board members and three visitors answered roll call. Each one in attendance was given a written agenda, secretary and treasury report, contribution, endowment report and a report by each division.

Minutes of preceding meeting: The minutes were approved as printed and filed.

Treasurer's Report: Ruth went through her itemized report and answered questions and it was then filed for audit.

Contribution and Endowment Statements: Verna reported a very generous 2006 with \$15,875.00 in total contributions. Audrey stated the endowment fund has grown from \$4,510.00 to a current value of \$4,811.39

Corporate Division: Laverne reported the committee is continuing to work on the several long range projects started earlier; one of the main emphasis for the near timeframe will be a grant for the water system. A Walk Through Manfred Brochure was given to all in attendance, featuring all the properties and the history of each to facilitate a self guided tour through the village of Manfred.

Education Division: Gwyn will be working and planning a fair booth for the 100th anniversary Wells County Fair.

Building and Grounds: Wanda reported on the progress of the activities taking place since our last meeting in October. Work Day was planned for June 2 at 9 A.M. Potluck noon meal. Pete talked about the possibility of using the lot across from the Museum

for displaying some of the farm equipment of the past. Tentative plan is to place equipment on north site of the lot. No one objected. Possible places for a visitors parking site were discussed to provide a convenient space that would be off street to avoid disruption of farm equipment. It was later brought up after the meeting and decided to try the space on the north edge of Audreys station lot. All workers and visitors will park there with the sign for museum hours visible.

Curator's Report- Pam reported on the improvements and progress during the winter months and her suggestions for possible action. She discussed putting an ad in the Herald-Press the first of every month that we are open (5 mo.) to highlight activities of the Museum. Laverne made the motion to place the ad and Rose seconded. Motion carried. Pam made a motion to donate \$25. for the restoration of the fair grandstand. Gwyn seconded. Motion carried.

Museum Director's Report-Wanda commented on the progress made on the buildings in the community and the plans for ongoing projects. The final grant report will be submitted on time as the Collection and Museum Office Grant is due May 1.

Historian's Report-Audrey gave us a printed copy of the contacts she has made with some very interesting comments on various people with Manfred connections.

Election of Officers- Pam made motion to keep the same officers in place for the coming year. Seconded by Rose. Motion carried.

July 29th at 1:30 – Vang Lutheran Church is our next meeting date and place.

The meeting adjourned and lunch was served by the Building and Grounds Division.

Secretary,

Esther Boese