

**Chesterfield Historical Commission
Minutes
February 11, 2009**

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Bob Landram
Dave Borlin
Shari Borlin
Ted Goedecke
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Henry Pecherski
Stan Dampier

Dan Rothwell
Ann Chrissos
Gene Schenberg
Barbara Whitman
Arland Stemme
Joan Schacht
Steve Domahidy
Jean Speranza

Dave Borlin called the meeting to order at 7:25 p.m.

January minutes were accepted as written.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

- A. Calendars: 11 sold for \$46.50
- B. Book Sales: City Hall sells 1-2 each month, 1 coloring book was sold
- C. Financial Liaison: \$18,382.77 = balance on Jan. 31, increase of \$59.60
- D. Current History: a few articles were given to Joan, interviews are being archived, Gene S. offered DVD of Channel 5 coverage of 1993 flood and it was accepted
- E. Chesterfield History Book: 7-8 more chapters need to be complete, Dan will furnish City Hall with a draft of the finished chapters, next meeting of Book Committee is March 26, 7:30 p.m. at Joan Schacht's house

OLD BUSINESS

- A. Status report on Bettendorf-Sachs house: According to Gene S. an Annie Gunn caterer will look at the house to see if the lay out and kitchen is conducive for events. The City is trying to get information on terms for obtaining house from Louis Sachs. There was a consensus to get the house and then decide how to use it. Barb W. is gathering information on how other communities are using their historical houses to make them profitable.
- B. Bell Tower from Old Bonhomme School: It is in storage. Dan R. suggested that it could be placed in the Sachs pocket park. Gene S. suggested displaying it in Downtown Chesterfield.

NEW BUSINESS

- A. Regional Historical Association Spring Meeting: It will be held Sunday, March 29 at 2:00 p.m. at the Jennings City Hall, 2120 Hord Ave., Jennings, MO 63136. Presentation will be given by Mr. Richard L. Lay on 160th Anniversary of Bellefontaine Cemetery. Attendance is encouraged.

- B. Proposal to convert paper documents to digital format: When completed, this would be accessible on the internet and a virtual museum could be set up. Hard copies would be kept. Permission to put newspaper articles on site may need permission. City would put link to CHC's site on the City's site. City has already purchased a web address. CHC's books could be sold on the site. A proposal to investigate the development of a website was passed.

- C. Artifacts Committee: Steve D., Stan D., and Henry P. donated and displayed 90 artifacts. These will be stored in the basement of City Hall.

Meeting adjourned at 8:25 p.m. The next meeting will be March 11 at 7:30 p.m. at City Hall.

Submitted by Ann Chrissos on February 13, 2009