

Historical Society of Center Line

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"Preserving our Heritage"

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Minutes of the Nov. 3, 2017 Regular Meeting

1. Meeting was called to order at 10:00 am; in attendance: Mike Grobbel, Chris Werner, Marj Murray, Heather Hames, Bernie Helkowski, Kathi Buckner, Tom Tesnow, Sr., Tom Tesnow, Jr., and Vicki Heabeart; Wesley Arnold was not in attendance.
2. Review and Approve Agenda; motion to approve by Tom Tesnow, supported by Marj Murray - motion was approved.
3. Review and Approve Minutes of Oct. 13, 2017 Regular Meetings; motion to approve by Kathi Buckner, supported by Chris Werner - motion was approved.
4. Reports
 - a. Treasurer; now that we have our EIN, can investigate opening a bank account
 - b. Secretary; nothing to report
 - c. Membership Committee – it was proposed that the HSCL create a separate business/corporate membership category with annual dues, motion by Kathi Buckner, supported by Heather Hames, to table further discussion until Membership Committee can make a recommendation and we have a draft Business Plan - motion was approved. Further discussion was held regarding the need for the Membership Committee to develop a Membership Form and Receipt.
5. Old Business
 - a. Status of Incorporation and non-profit applications: per Mike Grobbel, our IRS Form 1023EZ application for 501(c)(3) tax-exempt status was submitted on 11/3/17; when approved our tax-exempt status will be retroactive to 9/13/17. We are applying as a type 1A public charity, meaning that we intend to normally receive 33.33% or more of our total support from government agencies, contributions from the general public, contributions/grants from other public charities, etc.

6. New Business

- a. Macomb Co. Heritage Alliance will be making a video, HSCL will participate

7. Open Issues list

- a. HSCL Logo - motion by Kathi Buckner, supported by Marj Murray to use Tom Tesnow's Logo & Font alternative shown on the upper left of the page for our official logo and to authorize using it for our rubber stamp during the Macomb Co. 200th Anniversary Passport program - motion was approved. Further discussion resulted in a recommendation that the streetcar image portion of the logo be converted into line art for better reproducibility.
- b. Business Plan – Mike Grobbel stated that he will develop a draft Business Plan and share it with the members before the next meeting; an adopted HSCL Business Plan will provide us with more credibility when seeking grants, one-time donations, business memberships, etc.
- c. Macomb County 200th Anniversary
- d. Collections Policy Flowchart (Chris Werner)
- e. CL's Top Ten Historical Buildings (Wes Arnold)
- f. 2018 CL Independence Festival – dates are June 7, 8, and 9th (Thursday through Saturday)

8. Open Discussion - none

9. Set Date and Time for next meeting: Friday, Dec. 1, 2017, 10:00 am at the CL Library

10. Motion to adjourn by Chris Werner, supported by Heather Hames – motion approved, meeting was adjourned at 11:55 am.