Platteville Museum Board Minutes

June 16, 2021

Board Members Present: Garrett Jones, Eileen Nickels, Mike Hahn, Deb Rice, Jennifer Collins, Mark Stead **Others Present**: Museums Director Erik Flesch (Board Liaison)

Call to order at 4:55 by Eileen Nickels

Minutes of May 19, 2021 Museum Board meeting approved on motion by Deb Rice, seconded by Jennifer Collins.

Director's Monthly Report

- Director Flesch provided a museums progress report covering buildings and grounds, planning, programs, education, and operations.
 - Mine electrical circuitry has been improved to ensure exit signs are visible from all directions.
 - The train switch stand is installed and functioning.
 - The CDBG CLOSE grant, providing funding for the Hanmer Robbins Roof repairs, requires a tighter timeline than current material shortages will allow; a clarification provides that the project must be started – not completed – by the deadline.
 - o Director Flesch is working to add gas service for temperature control to the Cora Street storage building.

Collections Monthly Report

• Director Flesch shared that a substantial collection is being made by Loren Ferry. Formal accession recommendations will be shared at a future board meeting.

Friends of the Mining & Rollo Jamison Museums Report

• Director Flesch shared an update on the Friends of the Mining & Rollo Jamison Museums fundraising efforts. The recent brat sale raised \$770, a significant improvement on past year earnings.

Old Business

• Director Flesch updated the board on current CIP planning for the museums. Director Flesch will be meeting with the city manager to discuss future CIP projects.

New Business

The Friends of the Museums are exploring creative ways to increase museum memberships. The idea of
instituting staff commissions paid for membership sales is on hold.

Adjournment at 6:00 p.m. on motion by Mark Stead, second from Jennifer Collins. The next meeting will be held on July 21.

Submitted by Garrett Jones, Board Secretary