

Union County Historical Society

“Exploring Union County’s Past to Inform the Present and Future”

Thursday, November 14, 2024

MINUTES

Welcome and Announcements:

- Bruce Teeple called the meeting to order at 4:06 p.m., on the first floor of the Gallery.
- **Present:** Bruce Teeple, Pres.; Christine Sperling, Vice Pres.; Phyllis Dyer, Treasurer; Matt Wagner; Susan Rapp, Secretary; Darren Rhyne, Mike Molesevich, Bill Brobst
- **Guests:** Peg McCluskey (new Archives volunteer), and Lauren McDonald, John Machak, and Greg Bell from the Wealth Factory in Muncy, PA

Approval of Minutes: (Susan and Matt)

On a motion by Phyllis, and seconded by Christine, the board approved the October minutes.

Treasurer’s Report and Finance: (Phyllis and Matt)

Phyllis provided and reviewed a detailed handout of our finances.

Wealth Factory Presentation on our investments

DEW Lots

The board agreed to schedule a 2025 strategy session to discuss possible sales of DEW lots.

Development: (Matt and Christine)

Christine explained about FCP in Williamsport. She and Matt will rent one-hour from the Portal to look at available resources.

We’re still waiting to hear from the Degenstein Foundation about the status of our application.

Facilities: (Mike, Darren, and Bruce)

Mike reported that UCHS received an award from Preservation PA. He shared the Fall 2024 issue of their magazine, which has an article recognizing our work at the Gallery.

Air Management and Mid-State Mechanical submitted revised bids to repair the Gallery’s and Museum’s joint HVAC system. Mike recommended separating the two buildings and repairing or replacing the current heat pumps we have.

We need to have the roof above the Gallery’s new bathroom repaired as soon as possible. On a motion by Mike, and seconded by Phyllis, the board agreed to accept the bid from Laird Roofing.

Outreach: (Bethany and Bruce)

The board expressed their appreciation to Tony Shively, Marcos Colon, Bethany Slear, and Brett Hosterman for making our new Facebook page accessible through our website.

The board approved all price changes on books for sale in the Gallery gift shop. All prices are now divisible by 5 to create uniform pricing.

The second volume of Tom Rich's railroad series is currently at the printer.

Future Meetings

The board agreed to have a potluck Christmas Gathering on December 18, 2024, from 3-5 p.m.

Next board meeting - Thursday, January 16, 2025, 4:00 pm

Meeting adjourned at 5:45 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Susan Rapp, Secretary