

PENNSYLVANIA HISTORICAL AND MUSEUM COMMISSION
MARCH 1, 2023
MINUTES

The Pennsylvania Historical and Museum Commission met on March 1, 2023, in person and via ZOOM. The following Commissioners were present: Nancy Moses – Chair, Fredrick Powell – Vice Chair, Ophelia Chambliss, Sarah McCullough represented Senator Tim Kearney, William Lewis, Andrew Masich, Robert Savakinas, Philip Zimmerman, Representative Parke Wentling, Representative Robert Matzie, Senator Michele Brooks, and Susan Banks.

The following staff was present: Andrea Lowery, David Bohanick, David Carmicheal, Charles Fox, Andrea MacDonald, Melissa Mann, Howard Pollman, and Lauren Stark. Rodney Akers and Gerard Leone served as legal counsel. David Searles and Steven Falkowski represented JacobsWyper Architects.

Donna Fisher represented the PA Heritage Foundation.

I. INTRODUCTIONS

PHMC Chairwoman Nancy Moses called the meeting to order at 10 am. At this time, she asked the commissioners to introduce themselves.

II. CHAIR REMARKS

Chairwoman Nancy Moses welcomed everyone to the meeting. She asked Melissa Mann to provide a brief synopsis of Bushy Run Battlefield. Melissa reported that Bushy Run Battlefield is in Westmoreland County and became part of the Pennsylvania Historical and Museum Commission in 1929. Bushy Run battlefield is one of 23 sites that PHMC administers. The national registered property consists of over 250 acres with a visitor center, maintenance shop, caretaker's house, reconstructed log cabin pavilion, monuments, and recreational amenities.

On August 5th and 6th of 1763, Bushy Run Battlefield was the site of a decisive encounter between the British military forces under the command of Colonel Henry Bouquet and a confederation of American Indian tribes. This battle proved to be the turning point in the conflict that is known as Pontiac's Uprising. Bushy Run Battlefield's significance as a historic site lies in its authenticity of place, as well as in its ability to interpret the two-day battle. The impact that the battle had on human lives and on its ability to interpret the

broader U.S. history themes of American Indian, European conflict and the expansion of the Western frontier.

PHMC Chair Nancy Moses reported that the commission received a resolution from Penn Township, honoring Bushy Run Battlefield Heritage Society and supporting its reenactment.

Public Comment – The following members of the public addressed the commission regarding their concerns regarding the “No Force-On-Force” reenactment policy and its potential negative impact on Bushy Run Battlefield:

Senator Kim Ward, Senate President Pro Tempore thanked the commission for honoring requests to speak to the commission before the vote on the Living History Safety Policy. “It is important to the volunteers, who really care about Bushy Run Battlefield. The volunteers help keep history alive by educating generations of people about its history.” Senator Ward appreciates the work volunteers do and would appreciate a vote in support of letting Bushy Run Battlefield continue as they have been for the past two years.

Rob Mally serves on the board of Bushy Run Battlefield Heritage Society since 2008. “Last year, three of our volunteers logged in over 2,000 hours on the Bushy Run Battlefield. Hundreds of hours were donated to the site by an all-volunteer force is a testament to the love and dedication of the Bushy Run Battlefield Heritage Society, the only recognized Native American battlefield in the Commonwealth. Today, commissioners will meet several re-enactors, educators, public servants, and students who share their passion of Bushy Run and bring their piece of the puzzle which makes Bushy Run Battlefield a true gem in the Pennsylvania Historical and Museum Commission. The Bushy Run Battlefield Heritage Society has a deep respect for history, and we are dedicated to honoring all of those who fought for what they believe at the site. Those who fought at Bushy Run in 1763 created a legacy of spirited commitment that each person who supports the heritage society carries on today.”

Bonnie Ramus, a volunteer with Bushy Run Battlefield Heritage Society since 2005. “The reenactment attracts hundreds of volunteers, re-enactors, and craftsmen in an effort to preserve the history of

all people and generations to come. The expression of history, known as the Battle of Washington, has been held at the site for the past 40 years, and our effort is to continue for another 40 years. Thank you.”

Emily Liska, currently the Interim Museum Manager at Bushy Run Battlefield has been a volunteer since 2013 with the battlefield. “When you go out into the community and ask them what’s the first thing you think about Bushy Run Battlefield is the reenactment because we have many families that attend. It is possible that the American Revolution may never have happened if things had gone differently. Community outreach is very important.”

Maxine Rubel is a volunteer at Bushy Run Battlefield. She attended her first reenactment 40 years ago and thought it was the French and Indian War site. “There were no natives in sight. They had been completely disenfranchised from the history of the site. Fast forward 25 years, Maxine and her son joined a group of people to study Eastern tribes. We want to be authentic as possible. We study original sources, diaries, Jesuit diaries, and the diaries of the captives to gather all the information we could so that we could portray accurately what the Native Americans would have looked like, and how they lived.” Maxine’s son portrays a Wyandot warrior, so he visited Oklahoma to meet with the Wyandot tribe. The tribe was happy to talk with him and hear about their history. The tribe gave him their blessing to reenact.

Melissa Fligger, Vice President of Bushy Run Battlefield Heritage Society has a Ph.D. in education leadership and spent her entire career working with individuals with disabilities of a variety of ages and ability levels. “There are children and adults who are visual learners, who when given the opportunity to see, hear, smell, and feel increases the likelihood that they will learn the information being presented. The concept of a battle reenactment does just that. You can hear the shot, the directions, see the maneuvers, and smell the black powder. You can even feel the rumbling in the ground. This allows you to really experience it and increases the likelihood that those viewers will learn and understand the history of Bushy Run Battlefield while continuing to pay tribute to those who sacrificed their lives.

The Bushy Run Battlefield Society strives to present our history in a way that allows viewers to see the battle through the eyes of 1763. We are trying to spark the inquisitiveness necessary to learn the history, teach it to others, and dive in on a deeper level, nothing how it impacts us here today. If we can really

capture the interest of one child or adult, prompting them to further study how conflicts are started and resolved, or more importantly to strive to preserve Native American and British culture than we have succeeded in our goal.”

David Mohr is a Safety Officer at Bushy Run Battlefield for over 12 years. “The battlefield always adheres to safety requirements; safety officers attend each event to provide maximum oversight. Demonstrated situations are operated strictly in accordance with the safety manual, all our safety officers are certified. Our battlefield scenarios are mapped out and approved by PHMC. Safety officers are mindful and safe.”

Thomas Kingensmith a board member of the Westmoreland County Historical Society, vice President and Lieutenant of the Westmoreland Ranger Reenactment Group. “The Westmoreland County Historical Society erected a new memorial statue in honor of all those who fought at Bushy Run Battlefield. A large group of the Seneca Nation participated in the battle reenactments that weekend and enjoyed working with our re-enactors.” Mr. Kingensmith appreciated the time to speak today and requests that PHMC reconsider the no force on force policy.

David King the Southwest Pennsylvania chapter leader for the Foundation Against Intolerance and Racism (FAIR) spoke on the requirement that re-enactors portraying Native Americans be ethnically Native American. “Flattening the entire Native American population to one group identify and saying that they must represent themselves based upon that group identify does a serious disservice to the myriad cultures, traditions, and crucially unique individuals who are native today.” He asked that PHMC revise their policy to never exclude anyone on the grounds of race, creed, or color in the face of the complexities and nuances of identify and history.

Toni Harris, a volunteer at Bushy Run Battlefield since 2006, and a tour guide for the last 30 years. “Each re-enactor volunteers their own time and money to learn and develop their characters. Some units hold training camps and have classes on relevant historical content to help educate their organization as well.

Our re-enactors are aware of who and what they are portraying, and they do so with the utmost respect. What they bring to the public is entertaining, educational, and highly appreciated by those who

attend the event. Feedback from the public is constantly positive.” She hopes that this committee will reconsider its no force on force policy.

Brian Harris and his family have volunteered at Bushy Run Battlefield since 2006. He has been a spectator, a volunteer, and a re-enactor for the last 6 years. Brian coordinated two camps designed to battle scenarios and work to ensure the safety of the reenactments.

“Most PHMC sites are about a single moment in time and only have one anniversary. Consequently, comparing the works for the PA Military Museum with what works for other sites is inappropriate. Force on Force events should not be compared with simple historical demonstrations either.

The kind of audience that a demonstration attracts tends to be those who are already historical enthusiasts. A battle reenactment attracts a much more diverse group of people and for larger numbers. It’s not just a historical experience. “It’s a spectacle of a living history force on force demonstration.

It’s because of that spectacle that we reach an audience that otherwise would not be so inclined to attend events. The activities that we provide to Bushy Run are designed to reach out to that kind of an audience, not only to inspire their interest in history but to inspire their interest in volunteerism as well. We work to portray history as it was not how we want it to be.

We hope that this committee will reconsider the no force on force policy and allow Bushy Run Battlefield to continue its past practices of the annual battle reenactment.”

Kevin Horan, President, Friends of Hope Lodge has had an encampment for 41 years. “In the Battle of Germantown on October 4, 1777, the Continental Army slowly moved to what would become winter headquarters in Valley Forge. For six weeks, the Army encamped in White Marsh, a land that now bears the names Militia Hill, Fort Hill, and Camp Hill. From the hills of White Marsh, General Washington was able to protect the supply cities of the west and monitor the British. Occupying Philadelphia in early December, General Howe tried to launch a surprise attack on the American position, but the British plan had been ferreted out. The Americans were well prepared for this. On December 5, 1777, the British began to probe America. A non-decisive skirmish followed, after which the British returned to Philadelphia. It was the last engagement of the Philadelphia Campaign of 1777.”

Reenactments at Hope Lodge are respectful of what occurred in that period. He is afraid that if we cannot continue to have re-enactors, they will not remain respectful. “It is important that we teach our young people this part of history, which is frequently glossed over by the other campaigns that occurred in Philadelphia.” Mr. Moran asked that PHMC continue to allow the force-on-force demonstrations.

Jim Comunale, tour guide and safety officer at Bushy Run Battlefield. He tells the young children on his tour that they are the future. “In the 18th century, this was a much smaller battle than Gettysburg, but it had the same importance. It is hallowed ground where brave men on both sides fought and died for what they believed in.”

Dr. Robert DeHayes, volunteer at Bushy Run Battlefield for 5 years. “The volunteers at the site dedicated hundreds of hours not just for the reenactment but for all the activities to sustain the organization, and battlefield. The reenactment is exciting to see parents walking down the trail with their children on their shoulders to say, “thank you”. That’s how they learn history, not by reading or watching YouTube videos. To make history dynamic, historians must realize the importance of visualization.” He asked the commission to reconsider the decisions that have been handed down and make Bushy Run alive for generations to come.

III. ACTION ITEMS

Approval of Minutes – Chairwoman Nancy Moses called to hear a motion to approve the minutes from the December 7, 2022 meeting. Representative Parke Wentling asked that the minutes be revised to reflect his vote to approve the historical markers at the December meeting.

Chairwoman Nancy Moses called for a motion to approve the minutes from December 7, 2022 meeting with corrections. MOTION: (Lewis/Zimmerman) Motion to accept the minutes from the December 7, 2022 meeting with corrections was approved. 12 in favor/0 opposed/0 abstention.

Reenactments at Historic Sites and Museums – Chairwoman Nancy Moses called to hear the following motion regarding reenactments at Historic Sites and Museums:

“The PA Historical and Museum Commission will undertake a comprehensive study of best practices in historical re-enactments and use the findings to craft a policy to guide re-enactments at Commonwealth historical sites in the future.

For 2023, Bushy Run Battlefield Heritage Society’s annual historical reenactment can take place as it always has. The Bushy Run Battlefield Heritage Society will also carry event insurance and must agree to be fully responsible for any problems that occur.”

Senator Michele Brooks remarked that she supports the resolution and would like to serve on the committee regarding the comprehensive study.

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MOTION: To approve the resolution regarding reenactments at Historic Sites and Museums was approved. 12 in favor/0 opposed/0 abstention.

Volunteer of the Year Resolutions – Melissa Mann reported on the Volunteer of the Year Awards for 2022. The award ceremony is scheduled to take place on Saturday, April 15th at the State Museum of Pennsylvania.

The following individuals will be recognized as Volunteers of the Year for 2022:

Chester Kulesa – Anthracite Heritage Museum/Anthracite Heritage Museum and Iron Furnaces Associates

Mario Lerario – Brandywine Battlefield/Brandywine Battlefield Park Associates

Jim Comunale – Bushy Run Battlefield/Bushy Run Battlefield Heritage Society

Lynn Otto – Conrad Weiser Homestead/Friends of Conrad Weiser Homestead

Dan Snyder – Cornwall Iron Furnace/Cornwall Iron Furnace Associates

No honoree for service in 2022 – Daniel Boone Homestead/Friends of Daniel Boone Homestead

Faith Mealy and Amber Hannold – Drake Well Museum and Park/Friends of Drake Well

Matthew Gaydos – Eckley Miners’ Village/Eckley Miners’ Village Associates

Douglas Gebr – Ephrata Cloister/Ephrata Cloister Associates

Gayle Chojnacki – Erie Maritime Museum and Flagship Niagara/Flagship Niagara League

Kevin Horan – Graeme Park/Friends of Graeme Park

Phil Williams – Hope Lodge/Friends of Hope Lodge

Micheal McWilliams – Joseph Priestley House/Friends of Joseph Priestley House

Linda Schock – Landis Valley Village & Farm Museum/Landis Valley Associates

Joyce Patterson – Old Economy Village/Friends of Old Economy Village

Douglas Lehem – Pennsbury Manor/The Pennsbury Society

Janifer and John Halter – Pennsylvania Lumber Museum/Pennsylvania Lumber Museum Associates

Simon Cressman – Pennsylvania Military Museum/Friends of the Pennsylvania Military Museum

Stephen Jacobs – Railroad Museum of Pennsylvania/friends of the Railroad Museum

Ron Hillegas – Somerset Historical Center/Historical and Genealogical Society of Somerset County

Alice Herncane – The State Museum of Pennsylvania

Outstanding Service Award

Nancy Hetrick (in memoriam) – Pennsylvania Lumber Museum/Pennsylvania Lumber Museum Associates

Chairwoman Nancy Moses called for a motion to approve the Volunteer of the Year Resolutions as presented. MOTION: (Powell/Masich) Motion to approve the Volunteer of the Year Resolutions was approved. 12 in favor/0 opposed/0 abstention

Service Resolution for Michael Showalter – Melissa Mann reported to the commission that Michael Showalter, educator at Ephrata Cloister passed away on January 15, 2023. The following resolution is to honor his 35 years of service with the Pennsylvania Historical and Museum Commission.

WHEREAS, Michael Showalter dutifully served the Pennsylvania Historical and Museum Commission for over 35 years. His tenure with PHMC included positions at Cornwall Iron Furnace, the State Museum of Pennsylvania and Ephrata Cloister; and

WHEREAS, for the majority of his career, Mr. Showalter served as the Museum Educator II at Ephrata Cloister, an historic site that had played a significant role in his life since adolescence when he served as a member of the Ephrata Cloister Student Historians; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Showalter in the course of his duties demonstrated a remarkable ability to thoroughly research any subject, allowing him to gain an almost encyclopedic knowledge of the history of the Ephrata Cloister and the people who lived there; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Showalter in the course of his work used his vast knowledge of Ephrata Cloister's history to develop and implement a variety of educational programs that continue to engage and impact visitors, including but not limited to: Community Days School Program, Candlelight Open House, Monthly Book Club, Winter History Class, Building History/Architecture Day, and Lantern Tours; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Showalter in the course of his work at Ephrata Cloister developed the scripts for and oversaw the production of the site's introductory exhibit, *Prelude to a New World*, and orientation film, *Anticipating Paradise*; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Showalter, in the course of his duties at Ephrata Cloister developed virtual exhibits and programming that are available on the Ephrata Cloister website and YouTube channel and as such provide people from across the nation and world with access to the site and its history: and

WHEREAS, Mr. Showalter in the course of his work at Ephrata Cloister served on the Board of Directors of the Communal Studies Association and assisted this organization in developing its annual conference program; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Showalter managed Ephrata Cloister's Student Historian program, upholding the site's long tradition of teaching high school students the skills of historical interpretation and stoking their passion for history and preservation; and

NOW THEREFORE, be it resolved that the Pennsylvania Historical and Museum Commission recognizes the lifetime of exemplary service rendered to the Commonwealth and its citizens by Michael Showalter and remembers Mr. Showalter with fondness and much gratitude for his dedication and a job very well done.

Chairwoman Nancy Moses called for a motion to approve the Service Resolution for Michael Showalter as presented. MOTION: (Zimmerman/Lewis) Motion to approve the Service Resolution for Michael Showalter was approved. 12 in favor/0 opposed/0 abstention

IV. REPORTS

Executive Director Report – Andrea Lowery updated the commissioners on the reuse study for the existing museum and archives, the architects from JacobsWyper will give a presentation at the end of the commission meeting.

Governor Josh Shapiro and his family plan to be at the State Museum in Harrisburg to celebrate this year's Charter Day on March 12, 2023. The Governor's budget address is scheduled to take place on March 7, 2023. We have submitted a cost to carry budget of \$23.5 million which is a 7.4% increase over the previous year due to contracted increases as well as increases we expect to incur associated with the opening of the new archives building.

State Historic Preservation Office – Andrea MacDonald reported that her office receives an annual allocation of the federal Historic Preservation Fund to administer historic preservation programs in partnership with the National Park Service.

Each year Congress appropriates funds to be distributed to State Historic Preservation Offices and Tribal Historic Preservation Office based on a formula. Each state receives a base award and then the formula is calculated using state population, geographic area, and total number of historic residences as defined by the U.S. Census. Pennsylvania has historically received the 4th highest allocation behind Texas, New York, and California.

This current federal fiscal year, Pennsylvania has been awarded just over \$1.5 million in federal funding. States must match the annual allocation at a rate of 40%. [\$1,514,473 federal share/\$1,009,649 state match]

Every year, the SHPO office submits an End of Year Report to the National Park Service detailing our major accomplishments and specific program outcomes.

Highlights from federal fiscal year 2022 include:

- Recording over 9,000 historic properties. 8,700 of these are above-ground resources and 400 archaeological sites
- Reviewing 4,000 federal projects under Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act
- Reviewing and processing over 200 federal tax credit submissions; Pennsylvania consistently ranks in the top 5 in the nation for use of historic preservation tax credits to promote the rehabilitation and reuse of historic buildings. In the past 5 years, federal historic preservation tax credit projects amounted to over 2.3 billion in qualified expenditures = those are private investment dollars – only New York and Ohio saw greater investment using the credit over the same period.
- 29 properties were listed in the National Register of Historic Places
- We added our 50 Certified Local Government to Pennsylvania's list. Columbia Borough in Lancaster County can now apply for a special pot of funding reserved for CLGs to help support preservation activities in their community.

Historic Sites and Museums – Melissa Mann reported that attendance numbers continue to rebound toward pre-pandemic levels. As of January 31:

- Paid General Admission – 78,419 – up 9.7% over last year and represents 92.4% of FY 18/19 total
- Events – 51,327 – includes 28,256 Tall Ships attendees and represents 230% - excluding Tall Ships and with visitations was 23,071 which is 48.7% increase over last year and an 8.3% increase over the total event numbers for FY 18/19

- Of particular note, Cornwall Iron Furnace saw a 50% increase for Christmas at Cornwall event & the Pennsylvania Lumber Museum saw a 89% increase in attendance at Winter in the Lumber Camp event.
- Schools – 7,401 – up 181.2% over last year and represents 71.3% of FY 18/19 for same period – at the end of FY 21/22 we had only recovered to 56% of FY 18/19 total.

Bureau for Historic Sites and Museum visitation is in line with national attendance projects that have forecasted that exhibit-based cultural entities will rebound to 95% of pre-pandemic levels by the end of the calendar year 2022.

Staff continue to take history on the road to classrooms, historical societies, Kiwanis club meetings, and other venues where people gather. PA Military Museums' recent exhibit at the Farm Show was in partnership with the Secretary of Agriculture's office, the PA Dept. Military & Veterans Affairs and other partners. PA Military Museum presented a 600 sq ft exhibit highlighting the WWII history of the Middletown Air Depot and the Farm Show Arena. Nearly 4,350 visited the booth, experiencing artifacts, historic images, and immersive educational activities highlighting the history of the 2,000 women who services Army Air Corps bombers and fighter planes.

PA Military Museum hosts approximately 10,000 visitors to the museum annually. This type of outreach significantly boosts the site's impact and engagement with the public.

Historic Sites and museums continue to serve their communities in a multitude of ways, working with municipalities and other organizations to meet the needs of the community. Often, our sites provide space, speakers, and consulting but sometimes we can utilize one of our on-site programs not only to meet the agency's mission but to address a community need.

Landis Valley Village & Farm Museum was able to accomplish this over the holiday season by partnering with the Lancaster Food Pantry on the issue of food insecurity in their area. As part of the site's annual holiday bonfire, Landis Valley asked attendees to donate a non-perishable food item instead of an admission fee. Over 800 guests attended the event and the site collected 977 pounds of food for the Lancaster Food Pantry, demonstrating not only the generosity of our visitors but the tremendous impact our sites have on their communities.

State Archives – David Carmicheal reported that the substantial completion of the new State Archives building is scheduled for April 13th. David expects the move to begin on June 5th. It is scheduled to take about three months, with reopening planned for the fall.

The Digital Archives and Digital Records Center contracts are signed and working their way through the final steps of the approval process. All IT approvals are complete, and implementation could begin just as the move into the new State Archives building begins. This project will take 12 to 18 months to implement.

Archives staff continue to hold Community History Dialogs. In the past, the lectures have not had significant conversations and archive staff are looking at ways to encourage the exchange of ideas. In the last dialog, speakers recorded their talks, and participants were asked to view them in advance, then come up with questions and their own stories. This format had excellent responses and sparked discussion.

Staff is beginning to see a lot of questions from municipalities/counties about scanning. Archives staff decided to hold a webinar featuring speakers who have done scanning in their offices. There are two weeks to go before the webinar and have 371 people registered from across the state.

State Museum of PA – Charlie Fox reported that the new Museum Director, Angelica Docog will join the State Museum of PA on March 20th. Angelica joins the commission from Texas and has an extensive history in museum administration and archaeology.

In the last two months, visitation for January and February has been the strongest the Sate Museum had in the last four years.

The *Horse2Auto* exhibit opened to the public in time for the Noon Year's Day festivities. The exhibit is an exploration of changing trends in transportation technology over time.

A recent addition to the State Museum's collection is the 1956 Cowell "Runabout" a wooden pleasure boat from Erie, Pennsylvania. Staff worked to secure the handcrafted boat which was built in Erie

in the late 1950s. The “Runabout” is displayed alongside the State Museum’s J-3 Piper Cub and Scotting camping trailer as an example of Pennsylvania’s recreational vehicle history.

The State Museum welcomed a second mastodon to its collections, dubbed “Salty”, a juvenile mastodon. This second mastodon will allow museum staff to analyze the difference in mastodons originating from different parts of the Commonwealth, providing insight into the historical dietary and environmental conditions influencing their growth.

Legal Report – Rodney Akers thanked David Carmicheal for his assistance with the Digital Archives Contract. The legal office is proposing a minor change to PHMC’s Grants Policy; amendments to PHMC’s Grants Policy will be presented to commissioners for their review in advance of the next meeting.

Rodney announced to the commission that he is retiring from the Commonwealth later this month. He said it has been an honor to serve as chief counsel to PHMC and in service to PHMC’s mission to discover, protect and share Pennsylvania’s past.

PA Heritage Foundation – Donna Fisher, President of the PA Heritage Foundation updated commissioners on PHF strategic planning initiatives. Ms. Fisher thanked the commissioners for their recommendations to PHR board.

PHF held its first Sip and Savor Fundraising event last fall. The board’s goal was to bring awareness of the foundation and to help support the commission. The Special Event Committee is looking into other options or variations of this event to host in the future.

Ms. Fisher thanked Glenn Holliman for his service as President of PHF. PHF will hold a dinner following the PHF board meeting to celebrate his presidency.

V. OLD BUSINESS

Archives Reuse Study – Andrea Lowery introduced David Searles and Steven Falkowski from JacobsWyper Architects. The architects provided a presentation regarding the archives reuse study to

commissioners. The presentation included existing conditions of the archives building, programming, layout options, architectural modifications for new systems, building systems modification, and cost estimates.

V. ADJOURNMENT

PHMC Chairwoman Nancy Moses adjourned the meeting at 12:10pm

SUMMARY OF ACTIONS

20230301_1 MOTION: (Lewis/Zimmerman) Motion to accept the minutes from the December 7, 2022 meeting with corrections was approved. 12 in favor/0 opposed/0 abstention.

20230301_2 MOTION: To approve the resolution regarding reenactments at Historic Sites and Museums was approved. 12 in favor/0 opposed/0 abstention.

20230301_3 MOTION: (Powell/Masich) Motion to approve the Volunteer of the Year Resolutions was approved. 12 in favor/0 opposed/0 abstention.

20230301_4 MOTION: (Zimmerman/Lewis) Motion to approve the Service Resolution for Michael Showalter was approved. 12 in favor/0 opposed /0 abstention.