

Fort Sisseton Commission Meeting
July 30, 2021

The Fort Sisseton Commission met at the Fort on July 21, 2021. The meeting was called to order at 9:00am by Bruce. Commission members present were Bill Hoskins, Eileen Warzeka, Todd Garry, Kirk Jones, Bruce Prins, Chuck Vrchota, Calvin Hove, Rosie Smith, and Casey Weismantel. GFP personnel present were Ali Tonsfeldt, Willy Collignon, Lori Skadsen, Al Nedved, Connie Leschisin and Basil Knebel. Minutes taken by Dalaine Pleinis.

Bill described the planned events for the reenactment that is taking place this weekend.

AGENDA ITEMS

REVIEW OF THE MINUTES

MOTION BY BILL SECOND BY CASEY TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING AS TYPED. PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

FOUNDATION REPORT Bruce presented the most recent foundation report.

MOTION BY TODD SECOND BY CALVIN TO ACCEPT THE FOUNDATION REPORT AS PRESENTED.

OLD BUSINESS:

Basil gave an update on upcoming special events for 2021.

Basil gave a review of the Historical Festival including the chuckwagon. He went through the survey results.

Discussion was held. It was asked to prepare a comparison of past years if possible. Ali will send it out in the next newsletter.

Willy gave a review of visitation comparing 2020 to 2021.

Project Status Update:

Basil gave an update on current project status including Magazine Work- tuckpointing and roof, Adjutant's Building- Deadwood Grant, Geothermal Updates, and Covering for the A/C Units.

PUBLIC COMMENT None

NEW BUSINESS

Harvest Festival is being planned and will once again include Arts Crafts, Activities and Vendors.

Master Plan: Ali will be applying for a grant from the SD Humanities that could be up to \$24,000 that if awarded could help towards the Master Plan. Willy addressed the subject of contracting someone to help the commission with a master plan that would incorporate the goals of the strategic plan. Statements of interest and RFP for a feasibility study have been requested.

Commission Members Terms Expiring in 2021: Willy will be contacting commissioners whose terms will be expiring to see if they are interested in continuing to serve on the commission. He is open to suggestions for members to replace Eileen, as she is leaving.

Commission Chairs and Executive Committee will be voted on in September.

**MOTION BY CASEY SECOND BY EILEEN TO APPOINT CHUCK, CALVIN AND TODD AS NOMINATING COMMITTEE.
PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.**

Next meeting to be held in September. Ali will send out a notice to coordinate the date.

MOTION BY BILL TO ADJOURN SECOND BY EILEEN. PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.