

City of Grosse Pointe Woods  
Historical Commission Minutes  
March 9, 2023

**I. Call to Order**

The regular meeting of the Grosse Pointe Woods Historical Commission was called to order at 7:34 p.m. by Chair Sean Murphy.

**II. Roll Call**

*Present:* Suzanne Kent, Stephanie Listman, Lynne Millies, Jim Motschall, Sean Murphy, Frank Romano, Giles Wilborn.

*Excused:* Shirley Hartert, Becky Veitengruber.

*Also Present:* Council Representative Kenneth Gafa and Del Harkenrider.

**III. Approval of Agenda**

Motion by Motschall, seconded by Romano, to approve the agenda for March 9, 2023. Ayes: all. Motion carried.

**IV. Approval of Minutes**

Motion by Millies, seconded by Romano, to approve the February 9, 2023 minutes as corrected. Ayes: all. Motion carried.

**V. Items**

A. Treasurer's Report

Motschall reported that the Historical Commission balance is \$2,101.00. The Cook Schoolhouse balance is \$30,563.05.

**VI. Old Business**

A. Memorial Day Checklist

- a. Chairperson: Listman.
- b. Kent will provide a rough draft of the program at the April meeting.
- c. Motschall suggested that audience members should be encouraged to bring their own portable chairs to the ceremony.

B. Cook Schoolhouse

- a. Kent reported that she will meet with members of the Grosse Pointe Historical Society within a few weeks to discuss the possibility of obtaining some of the items from the Society's one-room schoolhouse experience.
- b. Open House: Saturday, May 13, 12-2 p.m./Kent, Millies, and Veitengruber will host.

**VII. New Business**

- A. Chronology: Kent reported that she hopes to have photos posted on the city's website before the next meeting, and she would also like to list the names of the authors of the Chronology: former Commission members John Hammel, Bruce Bockstanz, and Juliette Zaranek.
- B. Challenge Coin: Motschall reported that he and Murphy are in the process of pricing a wooden coin to be distributed at the school's open houses.
- C. New Members: the Commission discussed various ways to attract new members.

**VIII. Call to Audience**

- A. Council Representative Gafa briefed the Commission on various activities, meetings, and improvements taking place in the city.

**IX. Adjournment:** The meeting adjourned at 8:42 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Suzanne Kent, Acting Secretary

**The next meeting of the Grosse Pointe Woods Historical Commission will take place at the Cook Schoolhouse, 20025 Mack Ave., Grosse Pointe Woods, MI on April 13, 2023 at 7:30 p.m.**