

Present were Sandra Leininger, Nancy Carmichael, Jon Brokaw, Marti Gebbie, Joan Haley, Jim Reynolds, and Beth Waddle. Absent were Dick Blazek and Linda Sargent.

Reynolds moved and Carmichael seconded the approval of the agenda. All Ayes.

Waddle moved and Carmichael seconded the approval of the September minutes. All Ayes.

Jon thought the Iowa 175th Pop-Up Display did not merit a stand-alone public meeting event. Sandra suggested contacting Leo Landis (Curator of the Iowa State Historical Society and Museum) to consider presenting a program. Sandra also suggested a collaborative event with De Heaton at the Opera House. Beth recommended inviting the 4th & 5th grade classes to an afternoon program and use the BINGO card idea to engage the students. Jim provided a handout with a list of ideas for promotion and sharing the pop-up display with SWV School as well as hosting a public reception at the Corning library.

Pop-up Display Follow-up: De Heaton is interested in doing an afternoon program and suggested a mid-January date. Leo Landis responded and is available and willing to do a program in the afternoon for the kids and another one for adults in the evening.

There was also a discussion about the availability of the Iowa People and Places Mobile Museum Exhibit. According to Leo Landis, scheduling is open beginning in March 2022.

Joan reported the corn was harvested where the Mauderly grave site is located. Sandra will contact Ken & Mary Booth to set a date for repairs and cleaning. Beth suggested making a video of the project to make available on our website.

The school committee meeting will be discussed after the Iowa 175th program has been completed.

Sandra reviewed the 2021 work plan and asked commissioners to evaluate further to provide direction and discussion at the November meeting. Nancy suggested having a 5-year plan.

There was a suggestion to add a line item to the meeting agenda for volunteer hours by the commissioners collectively.

Commissioners also briefly discussed adding a new commissioner from Prescott.