Museum Committee Meeting Minutes 9/19/23

Location: City Hall Conference Room 3

Present: Maddi McGraw (Curator), Steve Moe (council liaison), Chair Stacy Roth, Patty Sage, Adam Howard, Tara Puyat, Jenna Fribley, Kira Lesley, Vice Chair Megan England, Emily David (Library and Museum Director), Meghan Schiedel (guest), Mahala Ruddell (guest)

Absent: Mindy Linder (Community/Outreach), David Schmunk, Zak Gosa-Lewis

Meeting called to order at 5:32 pm.

Business from the Audience: Meghan Schiedel and Mahala Ruddell, who both turned in applications to join the Museum Committee during the last recruitment cycle and were invited by Maddi to attend the meeting, introduced themselves to the Committee.

Approval of agenda and minutes: Agenda and minutes from the August 22, 2023 meeting approved.

Curator Report: Maddi provided a written report.

Community Engagement & Outreach Specialist Report: none.

Atlas Subcommittee Report: Megan and Jenna stated that the goal was still to have the completed book ready to sell by December 2023, and that work on it was going well.

Historic Commission/Museum Committee Awards Subcommittee Report: Stacy and Jenna stated that the winners were announced at the September 5, 2023 City Council meeting. There was also e a celebration of the winners at the Museum during the Second Friday Downtown Art Walk on September 8, 2023, and it was well attended.

Haunted Museum Subcommittee Report: Maddi stated that the next planning meeting would be September 22, 2023 at 4pm and that anyone could attend.

Welcome Packet Subcommittee Report: Adam stated that perhaps the group should create mockups of what they would like to see in the welcome packet before meeting.

Reports from Museum/Library Liaisons: none.

Unfinished Business: none.

New Business:

A. Upcoming Museum Closure: Maddi stated that Museum would be closed to the public for six months starting at the end of December, 2023, to allow for work on the backlog of

collections care projects. She provided her written proposal for the closure, and welcomed Committee members to volunteer to help with the projects.

B. Info Sharing: Kira stated that due to unforeseen circumstances, she was going to have to resign from the Committee, and was sorry that she hadn't been able to spend more time working with the group. Emily stated that the Committee might consider sending members to speak at Council meetings to let the community know what was going on at the Museum.

Meeting adjourned at 6:41 pm.