

The Hiawatha History Commission met on January 13, 2020, at Hiawatha City Hall in Conference Room D with Pat Semelroth as Chair calling the meeting to order at 1:30 P.M. Members present: Merry Rooks, Marilyn James, and Janis Lyons. Carol Johnson was absent.

Business:

Merry Rooks moved the approval of the agenda, seconded by Janis Lyons. Motion carried.

Merry Rooks moved the approval of the December 16, 2019 minutes, seconded by Marilyn James. Motion carried.

### **Hiawatha Insights Articles**

The Commission discussed the upcoming Insights Article topics and decided on the following topics for the corresponding months of the newsletter:

February – Preorder for books, Clark Park and Save the Date for the 70<sup>th</sup> birthday celebration.

March – Preorder for books, group photo to invite people to the birthday celebration.

April – Details of birthday celebration.

May – Details of birthday celebration.

June – Birthday celebration (history of Hiawatha and when it was incorporated).

July – Thank you for celebration and pictures (and if any books are leftover there are some still available for purchase while supplies last).

### **Book Finances**

The Commission discussed the bids they have received for the book and Janis Lyons made a motion to proceed with the bid from SPS, seconded by Merry Rooks.

The Commission also discussed what price they should charge for the books and discussed two different prices, one for pre-orders and one for non-pre-orders, Merry Rooks made a motion to have the pre-ordered books priced at \$15.00 per book and \$20.00 per book for non pre-ordered books, seconded by Janis Lyons.

### **Hiawatha 70<sup>th</sup> Birthday Celebration, June 12, 2020**

The Commission asked City Clerk Kari Graber to check in and confirm the rentals of the community center and park pavilions for the 70<sup>th</sup> Birthday Celebration and also to invite Police Chief Dennis Marks and Fire Chief Mike Nesslage to their next meeting to discuss ideas for the birthday celebration.

The Commission discussed different ideas for the celebration including to brainstorm at the next meeting about which businesses they would like to call and see who would like to participate in the celebration and having an official declaration of the birthday invite from the Mayor and City Council. The Commission has not decided on any specific ideas for the celebration. Will discuss more ideas at the next meeting.

Next meeting is February 10, 2020 at 1:30 p.m.

Merry Rooks moved to adjourn the meeting at 2:55 p.m., seconded by Janis Lyons. Motion carried.