

The Hiawatha History Commission met on July 9, 2018, 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: Chris Ask, Sandy Brewer and Mary Beth Culbertson. Member absent: Dick Larson. Guests: Cynthia Petersen and Merry Rooks

Business:

Mary Beth Culbertson moved the approval of the agenda, seconded by Sandy Brewer. Motion carried. Mary Beth Culbertson moved the approval of the March 12, 2018 meeting minutes, seconded by Sandy Brewer. Motion carried.

History Book Discussion with Cynthia Petersen

Cynthia Petersen updated History Committee members on the progress of the book and other information. Cynthia reminded the group that she met with Mark Stoffer Hunter from the History Center and he suggested releasing the history book on the 70th anniversary in 2020.

Petersen said she has been reading Fay Clark's books and learning a lot of information. Petersen is writing an article for Hiawatha Today to celebrate Fay Clark with his upcoming birthday on July 12.

Petersen and commission members discussed creating a time capsule for the 70th anniversary and having an old fashioned ice cream social.

Other Business Discussion

Pat Semelroth asked for input on releasing the history book on the 70th anniversary of Hiawatha in 2020. Commission members agreed this made sense to tie the book with the anniversary of the city.

Pat Semelroth inquired if commission members would like to participate in the Hiawatha Fun Fest parade on August 25 as they have done in previous years.

Pat Semelroth asked commission members to help find someone to fill one open seat on the History Commission.

Hiawatha Insight Articles

- August – Recognizing Fay Clark's birthday on July 12.

Work Session Date

Commission members, Cynthia Petersen and Mary Rooks will have a work session to work on the history book on July 23 at 1:00 p.m. at city hall.

History Committee members worked on the history book after the meeting.

Next meeting is August 13, 2018 at 1:30 p.m.