

Germania Historical Society, Inc.

- Minutes from April 3, 2022 meeting recorded by George Weiss.**
- The meeting was called to order by President, John Serio with 17 members present.**
- The Secretary's report from the March 6, 2022 meeting was read by George Weiss. A motion was made by Marian Heller and seconded by Doug Bethke to accept the secretary's report as read and approved.**
- Treasurer's report was read by Missy Heller. A motion was made by Kim Ross and seconded by Jon Severson to accept the treasurer's report as read and approved.**
- Membership Director's report was given by John Serio. One new lifetime membership was collected.**
- Technology/Social Media/QR Initiative Update report was given by John Weckwerth. Receipt forms and inventory donation receipts were updated. Question was asked if contractors need to have proof of insurance and who is responsible if the contractor is hurt on the job. John will be adding QR codes on cemetery west of Germania in Crystal Township.**
- Raffle and Promotional Programs Update was given by Don Heller. There will be no gun raffle until after the parade. The new gun will be a high power air rifle. We will continue with the plate and picture raffles at the bar.**
- Old Business:**

-An update of the purchase of the school was read by George. He said it is on the agenda at the public town meeting of Shields on April 7th.

-Creamery Update: Missy Heller reported the extra wood was torn down and removed.

-Picture and plate update: Don Heller said they are covered under the raffle.

-Painting Update: Doug Bethke said Steve's Painting has not returned his phone call and Travis Hopp has not turned in his quote.

-Pizza Sale: Pizza forms need to be turned in by today and we will make pizzas on April 11th.

New Business:

-John Weckwerth talked about the John Muir Park. Tom Gaulke made a motion to update 3 more years of website and it was seconded by Jon Severson. Motion approved.

-Burial Grounds: Chris Debish gave Missy a map of an Indian Village near Germania. There was a discussion on the location of the burial grounds.

-Newspaper Article: Missy reported a Weekend Regional Newspaper article on Germania Settlers. The article hangs on the wall in the dining room at Longbranch at this time and will be moved to the church or school in the future.

-Banquet: John Serio had an idea to have a banquet, serve food, raffle off guns, etc. Jerry Ross said spring is the best time to hold

one. Also thinking October and we'd sell tickets 2 months early. We could possibly have catering by Moose Inn or Crossroads. We will discuss this at the Officers meeting and report at the next meeting.

-Our next meeting will be June 5, 2022 at the church.

- A motion was made by George Weiss and seconded by Kim Ross to close the meeting. Motion approved.