Grant County Historical Society

June 20, 2018

Robbie Blue opened the meeting at 6.30. Minutes were read, Kay Dougherty moved to approve and PJ Culley 2nd. Treasurer Margaret Wilson read her report. There was a discussion of the Society's CD. Some questions were possibly splitting the current cd into a \$5000 and a smaller short term cd. Is there a time we cannot use the money. Is there a possibility of a donation to IOOF and what would be involved. Margaret will investigate and report more information. The treasurer's report was approved.

Ruthann makes a correction that she was to ask Joni Riddle if she would continue as webmaster. Joni does not wish to continue.

We need to pursue contacting other county societies concerning the brochure of markers in the county. It would be good to have a good relationship with the other societies. A suggestion was made that we visit Jonesboro Settlers cabin, Gas City Museum and possible a trip to Ivanhoes. Robbie will contact other societies.

There were several suggestions of designs for the ornament to be on the 30-foot tree at the Indiana State Museum. It doesn't have to be 3 dimensional, but should be a minimum of 4 inches and a maximum of 12. Some suggestions were a log cabin to represent the Octogenarian Cabin that used to be in Matter Park, possibly ask Debbi Shepler to design a segmented globe with each section representing a different aspect of the county, Hostess House, oil, bank building cabin, James Dean, etc. It must be completed by September 1st. An IWU graphic arts class might be interested. Someone called Debbi Shepler and she is not interested. Kathy Humbert knows a company that can make such things quickly. Another question is how much are we willing to spend? It will take time to research the different aspects, so it is suggested the project be completed in time for the 2019 tree.

Suggestions for upcoming programs are a tour of the VA and cemetery, Ann Vermillion is willing to do a history of Marion General, a tour of IOOF and a program on Atlas Foundry.

We honor Sue Israel and Juanita Rapp for all they have done to support the Society.

Might we have a booth at the Senior Expo in May, a food booth at 1812 and a float in the Christmas Parade?

The meeting adjourned at 7.50.

Present were: Ruthann, John Bradley, Sally Bancroft, PJ Culley, Stan Steiner, Kathy Humbert, Joe Blue, Robbie Blue, Kay Dougherty and Margaret Wilson.