

Minutes of Grant County Historical Society Meeting

Wednesday, November 15, 2023

Monthly Meeting- Marion Library

The November 2023 Historical Society meeting was held at the Marion Library. President Travis LeMaster convened at 6:15 pm. There were 12 members present. All four officers were present. Pledge of Allegiance was offered. The October Society meeting minutes were distributed. After review, the minutes were approved. The financial report was distributed with motion to pass. Club has total assets as of 11-15 of \$8,156. 69.

New Committee reports were presented:

- **Membership:**
 - No new activity
 - Annual dinner will be April 17, 2024. Dinner will be open to the public. Bob Sander, co-founder of Storytelling Arts of Indiana will be the featured speaker.
- **Programming**
Field trip is scheduled to visit the Wells Co. Historical society on December 3rd.
- **Publications**
Next newsletter will be out in January, 2024. It will feature the Harden murder case.
- **Outreach:** No activity. Members discussed the dam removal. Years ago, the Marion Boating Club used the area for power boat activity. There were even water ski activity on the river.
- **Executive:** No activity

Unfinished Business: the GAR Civil War Veterans Monument in Swayzee was reviewed. Cost is estimated to be about \$12,000. No new activity.


New Business:

- Society re-nominated Bill Munn as county historian.
- On Nov 30, Gas City Brewing will host a Trivia Nite at 7pm. Society is invited.
- A list of possible historical markers in Grant Co. as been submitted. GJ Kilgren will chair, but no further activity at present. The Society will go dark in December and January. Next meeting will be in February, 2024.

Our speaker, Jim Brunner, was not able to attend the meeting, and may reschedule. Future speakers include Jim Gartlan, who will discuss the Atlas Foundry.

- Closing:
 - Travis gaveled the meeting to close at 7:05 pm.

Respectfully,



Robert Miller

Secretary