**Traverse Area Historical Society Board of Directors Meeting**

**October 3rd, 2023, 6:30**

**Traverse Area District Library, Woodmere Branch, Nelson Room**

Present: S. Siciliano, P. Siciliano, L. Hains, J. Offenhauser, J. Loup, S. Jennings, J. Warner, E. Modrall, M. MacLeod, B. McCall

Absent: J. Anderson

Called to order 6:31

**Revisions to the Agenda:** none

**Public Comment:** none

**Secretary’s Report:** Board members approved the minutes from the September 5th meeting via email.

**Treasurer’s Report:** J. Offenhauser circulated the report to board members via email.

CD General: $15,000.00

CD Petertyl: $5,000.00

4Front Credit Union: $20.00

TBA Petertyl: $1,048.81

TBA Checking Account: $11,251.86

Emily's Project: $64,144.56

Paypal: $265.11

Restricted: $70,193.37

Unrestricted: $3,545.33

**President’s Report:**

President Siciliano discussed TAHS annual meeting preparation and distributed proxy ballots to board members. J. Warner and J. Loup up for re-election to the board.

Richard Fidler attended the September program and donated 4 copies of his newest book to TAHS.

E. Modrall discussed the proposal to sponsor the new marker by the Merchie Bridge. Groundworks Center is interested as a co-sponsor. The city would like a two sided sign - bi-lingual, English and Anishinaabemowin. J. Loup moved that we add $1,100.00 to E. Modrell’s project. B. McCall seconded. All others approved with L. Hains opposed.

Grand Traverse Bay as subject for the sign. Board members can offer suggestions on content.

Ideas (with cited sources) to Emily by October 15th. She will have information to the City for the application.

Gathering Growth foundation email - S. Siciliano will respond to request further information as to the request.

**Membership Report:** S. Jennings circulated the report to board members via email.

Current Membership - 141

S. Jennings will draft the letter that will be sent to gift membership recipients. Letters will be mailed.

**Program/Events:**

12 in person for attendance at the September program.

**Adjourned 7:55**