

JOHNSON COUNTY JIM GATCHELL MEMORIAL MUSEUM
Board of Trustees Meeting
April 11, 2019

Present were President Bob Kessler, Vice President Mel Keffer, Secretary Lynn Young, Treasurer Bill Payne, Board Member Brock Hansen, Director Sylvia Bruner, Museum Educator Jennifer Romanoski, Bookkeeper Chanda Rule and guests Sharon Miller and Brucie Connell.

The meeting was called to order at 3:00 PM by President Bob Kessler

Old Business:

March meeting minutes were reviewed and approved. Keffer moved, Payne seconded.

The financial report for January was reviewed and discussed. Report was approved. Young moved, Mel seconded.

There was a lengthy discussion of the shortfall in county tax income, causing the county to be unable to fully fund the Gatchell budget. Shortfall was about \$40,000 last year and about \$86,000 this year. The Museum is anticipating a shortage of about \$45,000 in the next two months. Discussed questions about how to address the County Commissioners about how to deal with this current shortfall.

New Business:

Reviewed the proposed 2019 – 2020 (July 1 – June 30) budget.

Discussion of current shortfall and strategies to deal with possible 2019 – 2020 shortfall.

Directors report:

Director submitted *The Sentry* for an award and, as part of the process, got some very useful feedback on regarding format and editorial content.

The 2018 1% grant funds have resulted in needed purchases. The new signs have arrived and installation is underway. Two computers have been installed and other marketing items have arrived.

The 2019 1% request for \$43,491 new heating and air system was approved by County Commissioners. Funds will be available after August 1.

Information is being gathered for needed Carnegie roof replacement.

In addition to conducting several educational programs in Feb and March, the Museum is booking lots of upcoming school tours and programs.

Meeting adjourned at 4:00.

Next Board meeting is May 9, 2019.

Respectfully submitted,