

BOONE COUNTY HISTORICAL MUSEUM DISTRICT
Board of Trustees Meeting Minutes - March 18, 2026
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The District Board of Trustees met on March 18, 2026 at 4:00 PM. All trustees were present except Ed Branom. Other people in attendance were Executive Director Natali Monaghan, Sonia Dobberful and Jeff Ernest.

The secretary's minutes of previous two meetings were approved on motion of Teri Keegan and second of Cheryl Sturges.

The treasurer's report and bills were reviewed and treasurer's report was approved on motion of Teri Keegan and second of Lois Ramon. There is an ongoing dispute with Cintas as to whether or not we are current with their invoices. Cheryl will investigate further. It was also reported that the Historical Society is now current with their reimbursements owed to the District.

John Wolf reported having discussed with First Mid the ATM rental. First Mid took the position that they are already paying a high rental rate. We have not had an increase in the rent for a long time and the bank would like to retain the ATM in its present position.

A discussion ensued on the bid for HVAC upgrade to the Museum campus. We received one bid from Ceroni of \$103,950. An addendum is recommended by Ollman and Ernest Architects. At some point the District will need to borrow funds to complete payment but we do have funds available to apply towards this project. After discussion, it was moved by Cheryl Sturges and a second of Teri Keegan that we accept the bid as presented with addendum work to begin as soon as materials are available.

Natali reported that 6 outdoor lights have been replaced and Lois Ramon moved and Teri Keegan seconded to replace additional LED bulbs at a cost not to exceed \$600 plus installation.

Natali also reported that the Belvidere Area Chamber had offered a large TV screen to the Museum but it does not appear to be any larger than the TV we already have.

Natali also reported that soon the Hispanic language tour guide will be available.

The Easter event will be held on March 22.

We also reaffirmed our approval of the cooperative agreement and collection policy that we have with the Historical Society.

The Meeting was adjourned on motion of Cheryl Sturges and second of Teri Keegan at 5:05 PM

Respectfully submitted



Lois Cannell Ramon