

Minutes of the **November 18, 2008**, regular meeting  
of the **Owosso Historical Commission**  
held at the Gould House, 7:00 p.m.

Members present: Chairperson Piper Brewer, City Treasurer Ron Tobey, and members JoEllen Hartley, Gary Martenis, Scott Newman (arrived 7:07), Crystal Smith, Charles Wascher, Dick Waters and Gary Wilson.

Members absent: Josh Cannon

The meeting was called to order at 7:03 p.m. by Chairperson Brewer.

Motion by Martenis to accept and place on file minutes of October 21, 2008; supported by Hartley and carried.

Motion by Martenis to approve October Treasurer's report with support given by Wascher.  
Motion carried.

Newman arrived.

The Curwood Castle brochure was reviewed for corrections and overall impressions. Motion by Newman to send Stephanie Motschenbacher a thank you note for her work, to hire a graphic artist to mainly rearrange pictures and make corrections in text with a cap of \$200.00. Motion died for lack of support. Motion by Martenis to accept the brochure as is with corrections made as identified tonight. Motion supported by Waters. Martenis called for a roll call vote. Martenis voted yes, Waters, Newman, Smith, Hartley & Wascher voted no, Wilson abstaining. Motion made by Newman to continue to work on brochure refining pictures and text. Support given by Wascher and carried.

Brewer to contact the city manager to inquire concerning the status of letting of bids for the Gould House garage/carriage house proposals.

It was reported that the Program & Marketing director concept was under consideration by the city manager.

Motion by Newman to purchase ten copies each of three volumes of Curwood paperback books with a maximum cost of \$120.00. Support by Martenis and carried.

It was noted that the election of officers would be postponed until the next meeting. Motion by Newman to not meet in December. Second by Wascher. Motion carried with Smith opposed.

Motion by Wascher to keep rental rates for the castle and Gould House the same for 2009.  
Supported by Newman and carried.

Members expressed concern for the absence of Cannon, but noted his attendance at the September meeting when a lack of quorum prevented a business meeting.

Motion to adjourn, supported by Newman and approved at 8:50 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,  
Ronald J. Tobey, Secretary/ Treasurer