



OWOSSO HISTORICAL COMMISSION
THE CURWOOD COLLECTION

Regular Meeting of the Owosso Historical Commission

Minutes of April 14, 2025 – 6:00 P.M. at Owosso City Hall

PRESIDING OFFICER: Chairman Lance Little

MEMBERS PRESENT: Vice Chair Debra Adams, Commissioners Elaine Greenway, Christopher Owens, Steve Teich, Robert Hooper, and Bill Moull

MEMBERS ABSENT: None

CHAIRMAN LITTLE CALLED THE MEETING TO ORDER AT 6:00 P.M.

APPROVE MINUTES – MARCH 10, 2025

Motion by Commissioner Adams to approve the minutes as presented, supported by Commissioner Moull.

Approved by voice vote

APPROVE AGENDA – APRIL 14, 2025

Motion by Commissioner Owens to approve the agenda with the addition of the Home Tour as an item of business, supported by Commissioner Teich.

Approved by voice vote

ITEMS OF BUSINESS

Nonprofit Rental Rates for Curwood Castle: The Commission discussed offering special rates for nonprofits renting the Castle. Motion by Commissioner Teich to charge \$50/hr. for nonprofits, supported by Commissioner Owens. Approved by voice vote.

Building and Grounds Committee: The Commission discussed priorities for the Building and Grounds Committee. Commissioner Teich and Hooper volunteered to serve on the committee with Commissioner Owens as chair. Priorities were roof repairs, wall/plaster repair, exterior lights (color changing/LED), air conditioning, and a railing for the entry steps. Commissioner Owens reported that the Masons were planning a spring cleanup at the Castle.

Shiawassee Community Foundation Funds: There was discussion regarding adding additional funding to the Commissioner's endowment fund with the Shiawassee Community Foundation. Motion by Commissioner Teich

to put \$25,000 in the endowed funds and \$100,000 in the commission's spendable account, for a total of \$125,000. Supported by Commissioner Owens. Passed by voice vote.

Commission Bylaws: Chairman Little reviewed the Commission's bylaws and made suggestions for amendments to better align with the Commission's goals. Motion by Commissioner Owens to approve the bylaws as amended, supported by Commissioner Moull. Passed by voice vote.

Home Tour: Commissioner Greenway asked Commissioners Little and Teich to stay after the meeting to discuss the Home Tour

FINANCIAL REPORTS:

Amy Fuller reported on budget conversations with the City Manager and Finance Director and also reviewed the most recent revenue and expenditure report.

PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD: Mayor Rob Teich congratulated the Commission on a great meeting and thanked Commissioners Chris Owens and Steve Teich for recently joining.

COMMISSIONER COMMENTS

Commissioner Greenway thanked everyone for a great meeting.

Commissioner Adams thanked Chairman Little for his work on the bylaws.

Chairman Little expressed his thanks for the Commission going through the strategic planning process.

NEXT MEETING: Monday, May 12, 2025, at 6:00 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT

Chairman Little adjourned the meeting at 7:12 P.M.

Respectfully submitted by:
Amy Fuller, Assistant City Manager