Browns Valley Historical Society Meeting Minutes January 9, 2024

Members present: Arlene Reinart, Melody Gruby, Janice Tuff, Jan Biewer, Nathanael Biberdorf, Matt Goodhart, Edith Foren, Richard Johnson, Kirk Adams, Clyde Thrift, Shelly Rosco, Mark Appel

President Jan Biewer called the meeting to order at 7:01 PM.

Richard made a motion to approve the agenda and Arlene seconded. Motion passed.

The minutes from the last meeting in November were read by Secretary Nathanael Biberdorf and approved as read by Edith, seconded by Arlene. Motion passed.

Treasurer's Report:

Edith gave us the updated amounts in both our PowWow account and general account

Old business:

- Arlene reported on our recently awarded grants for both construction on the Carnegie Library and Sam Brown's Cabin.
- Clyde is going to look into helping us digitize our Valley Newspapers.
- The outlet for the outside of the Library has been tabled until after construction has been started.
- We set a date for our Trivia Night event. It will be Saturday, March 2 at the Legion. A meal will be served at 6 and then afterwards, we will have a Trivia competition with teams answering questions about the history of our area.

New business:

- Our 501 c3 tax exempt status has been reapplied for. Arlene made a motion that we have Johnson & Roggenbuck in Ortonville do the reapplication for us every time. Shelly seconded. Motion passed.
- Jan would like to have an updated membership list put together soon.
- Gloria Bartz has a file cabinet that she is going to donate for us to use in the Carnegie Library.

Edith made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Mark. Meeting was adjourned at 8:08 PM. The next meeting will be Tuesday, February 13 at 7 PM at the Legion.

Respectfully submitted, Nathanael Biberdorf, secretary