

Fridley Historical Society (FHS) Board Meeting Minutes

September 4, 2025

Topic	Minutes		
Members Present	In attendance: Rob Zelenak, Rachel Westhoff, Mark Bonesteel, Mary Ann Hoffman, Mary Sue Meyers, Dave Linton, Al Taylor, Dorothy Gargaro		
Calendar of Events	October 4 (Saturday)	Pasta Dinner Fundraiser	
	Oct 13 (Monday)	Annual meeting	
Secretary's Report	Motion to approve by Dave, seconded by Al		
Membership Report	The current total membership is still at 172, with no new renewals		
Financial Summary Report	Motion to approve by Rob, seconded by Mary Ann		
Early Fridley History Grant Update	Mary Ann reported that she received 4 pages of feedback from the MN Historical Society about the revised draft she submitted. The next deadline for the final proposal submission is Sept 12. She stated that the museum will not hear results until Dec 2025.		
Fall Fundraising Update for our Annual Pasta Dinner	The duties list was passed was reviewed by the Board and posters were passed out. The deadline for prize collection is Sept 18, 2025. Lori and Al will compose the prizes list. Fundraising games at the pasta dinner will be covered by the raffle license.		
Archives, Exhibits, and Communications Update	Rob shared that old newspapers were donated. Mark and Rob purchased an AVS video editor and a 4K video downloader.		
Newsletter Update	The Sept newsletter issue is currently being folded and sealed. Expired membership notices were put into select newsletters. The next newsletter content deadline will be Nov 14, 2025. It will feature the recap of the pasta dinner and annual meeting, along with a small advertisement for the Kindergarten Art Fair.		

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Maintenance Update	Al reported that the radon tester is in place. Merv 11s are the museum's new furnace filters. The flag outside will be replaced soon due to tattered ends..
Open Forum	There was a discussion about the upcoming board terms that would need to be renewed at the upcoming annual meeting.

The meeting was adjourned at 6:51 p.m. Submitted by Rachel Westhoff, Newsletter Chair