



OWOSSO HISTORICAL COMMISSION  
THE CURWOOD COLLECTION

**Regular Meeting of the Owosso Historical Commission**

**Minutes of July 12, 2021 – 6:00 P.M.**

PRESIDING OFFICER: Dave Acton – Chair  
MEMBERS PRESENT: Chair Dave Acton, Vice Chair Mark Erickson, Commissioner Gary Wilson, Commissioner Deb Adams, Mayor Pro Tem Osika,  
MEMBERS ABSENT: Commissioner Albert Martenis  
VICE CHAIR ACTON CALLED THE MEETING TO ORDER AT 6:00 P.M.

**APPROVE MINUTES – May 10, 2021**

Motion by Osika to approve

Supported by Adams

Passed by voice vote

**APPROVE AGENDA**

Motion by Wilson to approve the agenda with the addition of an item to set a commission workshop to discuss use of the Gould House and structure of standing committees.

Supported by Erickson

Passed by voice vote

**ITEMS OF BUSINESS**

1. **Schedule Commission Workshop**
  - a. Motion by Erickson to hold commission workshop on July 26 at 6:00 PM at city hall to discuss future Gould House use and standing committee structure
  - b. Supported by Wilson
  - c. Passed by voice vote
2. **Curwood Castle Exterior Lighting Replacement:** Henne explained that one quote was received from Ludington Electric for \$8800 to replace the exterior flood lights at the Castle with modern LED lights. Commissioners discussed this and decided to wait until the Gould House project was

completed and the MCACA grant result was concluded before committing to the project. The Castle lighting project is on the city's 6-year CIP for 2025 in the amount of \$15,000.

- a. Motion by Erickson to wait for the MCACA grant to be awarded or not and to wait for the Gould House project to be completed.
- b. Supported by Adams
- c. Passed by voice vote.

#### **FINANCIAL REVIEW AND DISCUSSION**

Henne updated the Commission on the monthly financial reports and provided details on specific monthly expenses related to Gould House maintenance.

Ms. Grace updated the Commission on the latest Castle and gift shop revenue since reopening. Ms. Grace also outlined a partnership with Heather Brooks to create signage for Castle exhibits. Acton suggested an agenda item for this signage at the next meeting.

#### **PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD**

None

#### **COMMISSIONER COMMENTS**

Henne explained that American Rescue Plan Act funds will be available soon and that he was going to give city council the option to fund revenue loss at the Castle due to COVID closures. He invited commissioners to the August 2, 2021 council meeting.

Henne explained that the Castle cleaning quote is \$1680.

Henne explained that the MCACA application will be reviewed by the state on Aug 4.

#### **ADJOURNMENT**

Osika moved to adjourn the meeting. Adams supported. Voice vote was unanimous to adjourn the meeting at 6:45 P.M.