

GROVE CITY HISTORICAL AND CULTURAL ARTS COMMISSION

MEETING MINUTES

April 9, 2026

Agenda Item A: Call to Order/Roll Call

Chair Shailer called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m.

Proper public notice has been given.

Members in Attendance: Janet Shailer, Chair; Linda Hall, Member; John Maxson, Member, and Chloe Dickson, Member

Members Absent: Jeff Warner, Vice Chair and Lisa Napier-Garcia

Ms. Hall made a motion to excuse the absence; seconded by Mr. Maxson. Vote Taken – Motion Approved.

Others in Attendance: Frances Morrow (Daughters of the American Revolution – John Hoover Chapter,) Bryana Ross, Leann Watkins, and Steve Jackson

Agenda Item B: Moment of Silence and Pledge of Allegiance

Agenda Item C: Approval of Minutes

Reviewed minutes from the March 12, 2026 regular meeting. Correction made under “Open Discussion,” changing “March 12, 2026” to “April 9, 2026.” Ms. Hall made a motion to approve the minutes as corrected; seconded by Mr. Maxson. Vote Taken - Motion Approved.

Agenda Item D: New Items

1. **Finance Report** – Reviewed Finance Report provided by Ms. Ross. Briefly discussed Bob Evans Barn structural issues. Ms. Dickson made a motion to approve the Finance Report as presented; seconded by Mr. Maxson. Vote Taken – Motion Approved.
2. **Proposed Expenditures** – None at this time. Brief discussion on Jim Hale’s book regarding printing, corrections, updates, etc., Ms. Hall noted that the Commission has allocated \$1,000 to Wright Graphics for this project. Chair Shailer will reach out to Mr. Hale for an update.
3. **Museum Update** – Ms. Watkins reported that the Deimer dress is near completion and the program for unveiling the dress has been finalized. The mannequin dress, complete with undergarments (including corset) will be on display at the museum, along with two aprons. A bonnet will be needed for the docent, but not the mannequin (no head.)
4. **2026 Commission Goals** –
 - a. **Markers/Plaques** - The Park Street Bell sign has been verified, so this item is removed from the list. The train depot sign – Chair Shailer has the verbiage. Ms. Uhrin to find the correct vendor. Chair Shailer will discuss the St. John’s plaque with Mayor Stage.
 - b. **Partnerships** - Removing National History Day event from the goals, but the Commission is open to helping, should SWCS choose to participate.

- c. Events – Visit Grove City has created at least one video. Mr. Haskell created a video for the first floor of the Grant Sawyer Home and will be recording the Deimer dress reveal.
- d. Education and Parking Lot – Remove all items from goals list in these areas.
- e. Ongoing Activities – the museum inventory is almost complete, will branch out to other locations i.e., Grant barn, carriage house, etc.

Ms. Hall made a motion to accept the goals discussed; seconded by Ms. Dickson. Vote Taken – Motion Approved.

- 5. **Historical Plaque – 3980 Broadway** – This sign was previously approved by the Commission for production. Ms. Uhrin to request quote.

Agenda Item E. Open Discussion – Mr. Jackson requested an updated photo of the Grant Sawyer Home on line.

Next meeting is May 14, 2026 at 9:00 a.m.

The meeting adjourned by unanimous consent at 10:03 a.m.

Jennifer Uhrin, Secretary

Janet Shailer, Chair