



City of Independence

Museum Advisory Board
Wednesday, January 14, 2026 @ 5:30 PM
Museum Meeting Room

(see agenda footer for meeting attendance information)

1. **Call to Order**
2. **Roll Call**
3. **Minutes**
 - 3.1. Regular Meeting 12/10/2025
4. **Visitors/Public Comment**
5. **Staff Reports/Presentations**
6. **Unfinished Business**
 - 6.1. Update on the Task Force and Advocacy Committee
 - 6.2. Discussion on the Museum's 50th Community Campaign
 - 6.3. Update on The Community Services & Parks Committee meetings
7. **New Business**
 - 7.1. Resignation of Heath Lawson, Joe Martinez and Vickie McCubbin have reapplied for the renewal of their terms, and a new potential member has applied
8. **Other Discussion/Information Items**
9. **Adjournment**

Meeting Attendance Information:

The Museum Advisory Board will hold this meeting in-person at the Heritage Museum, via video conference (Zoom) or by phone.

- To attend in person, the Museum address is 281 2nd Street, Independence, OR 97351.
- For Zoom login
visit:<https://us06web.zoom.us/j/84495240270?pwd=lgxvdokbNtz1VRgwk58cChmzbHp1sY.1>
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Minutes for Heritage Museum Advisory Board 12.10.2025 – Museum

Call to order @ 5:40 – delayed start, waiting for arrival of some members

Roll Call Vickie, Billy, Jasper, Kathleen, Marilyn, Council Liaison, Amy, Museum Director
– excused absent: Joe Martinez, Victor Ochoa - Heath was absent, still have a quorum.

Jasper will be out for January meeting.

Minutes from August and November 2025 approved. Moved to approve by Billy W.
second by Kathleen Visitors Public comment- none

Staff Report/Presentations – past and upcoming speakers, sponsored by Museum
Society – Upcoming – Santa Train, Railroad Exhibit for Library, upcoming activities for
50 year anniversary of the museum, task force, Isis Theater Collection donation, and
donation from Kathy Pomeroy, who recently passed.

Unfinished Business

6.1 Update on the Task Force and Advocacy Committee

Community Services & Parks Sustainability Committee will meet for the first time on
Tuesday, Dec. 16, 2025 @ 10:00 AM

Members: Erin Seiler, Chair (budget committee) Jasper Smith, (Museum Board, and
Parks Board) Vickie McCubbin, (Museum Board and Library Parks Board) Nathan
Christiansen, (budget Committee and Library Board) and Bradley Karkanen. (Budget
Committee and Library board) – Following are notes from the agenda:

Action Goal: Develop and forward a recommendation to the City Council regarding
short-term and/or long-term, sustainable funding and operational models for the Library,
Museum, and Parks.

To Consider

Short-Term Revenue Options, projections and timeline potential levy for voter
consideration

Overview of potential Council-adopted fee. Possible fee structures and cost estimates.
Comparison to peer and regional city fees and levies

New Business:

7.1 Discussion – formation of a Collection Committee, a subcommittee, to
decide/discuss the disposition of some items in the museum and archives as the the
move to the library and storage takes place. Vickie is interested, but a few people aren't
here, will continue the discussion in future meetings, when more members are present.

Other Discussion Items

8.1 Acknowledging the contributions of our dear friend, Ken Fetters. Ken made many
contributions as a Board member, a volunteer, and an advocate for the museum. Even
during his illness, he constructed display containers that will be placed in the
community. He will be missed. There will be a memorial service at his home in the
future.

Adjourn @ 6:26. Submitted by Vickie McCubbin