



City of Independence

Museum Advisory Board
Wednesday, September 9, 2026 @ 5:30 PM
City Hall, Council Chambers

(see agenda footer for meeting attendance information)

1. **Call to Order**
2. **Roll Call**
3. **Minutes**
 - 3.1. Regular Meeting 08/12/2026
4. **Visitors/Public Comment**
5. **Staff Report**
6. **Unfinished Business**
7. **New Business**
 - 7.1. Update on concerned citizens for the community services
 - 7.2. Update on the museum building and current status
8. **Other Discussion/Information Items**
9. **Adjournment**

Meeting Attendance Information:

The Museum Advisory Board will hold this meeting in-person in the Council Chambers at City Hall, 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/85176681458?pwd=uGyzSW1eHoZalqzh0Lk2xz55s3a7Z5.1>
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Heritage Museum Advisory Board Meeting – Wednesday 8.12.2026 5:30 pm

Call to Order –5:28

1. Roll Call – Kathleen excused absence, all others present.
2. Tribute to Marilyn Morton – Proclamation from City Council honoring her, sharing of memories – her time as Council Liaison – individual stories
3. Approval of Minutes – June 10, 2026. Motion by. Linda Second by Chris approved
4. Visitors/Public Comments - none
5. Staff Report – So much happening, but so much we don't know – strengthening our connection with the volunteers, will be closing within the next week or two, depending upon what the county does. Black Pioneers will be at the library, if we are closed. Museum is doing Ghost Walk – Joy, Marilyn's daughter, will be helping, still looking for ghost hosts. Preston More and Imbibing Spirits – fund raiser for the HMS. Try to keep it the same as much as possible at Marilyn's request. Contingency plan for the future of the museum – location, possibly move to the old library location. OK with the President of the Friends of the Library. If the fee does not pass in November, the HMS will pay small amount of rent for building and managed by volunteers. Possibility – meetings are happening to find out what legal responsibilities are for the space. Amy has looked at a grant for refurbishing the space, there may be grant money from the City to match. Women's Club might be a location to host events. New Newspaper – Amy is doing a history column for them. Logan is working on an exhibit, potentially in the Monmouth Library. History on Tap with Logan and Amy – also a project with Logan and Shawn, Econ Dev. Monthly crawl with corresponding podcast. Wyatt has been coming 3 times a week, WOU student, he is engrossed in the history. Mervie and Sadie continue to volunteer. It is a safe and welcoming space for them.
6. HMS Update – They did agree to rent space if necessary, in November.
7. Old Business -
8. New Business
 - a. Discussion on Referendum Process – waiting for signatures at the county. The verifiers are out of town. When accomplished. We will close immediately and the parks will begin process. Concerned Community Group. -
 - b. Board Responsibilities Discussion – The space we may need to make sure we are doing appropriately. Follow current deaccessioning policy – go through item by item. Make sure if something is valid to mission, if loaned, who do we return it to – gifting? Sell if office supplies, When we deaccession will bring the list to the board for approval.
9. Other

10. Adjourn @ 6:03

Submitted by Vickie McCubbin