SIDNEY HISTORICAL ASSOCIATION

October 17, 2026 SHA Monthly Meeting Attendance: Tina Utter, Dale Utter, Andrew Kantor, Steve Arrandale, Joe Singlar, Denise Singlar, Dennis Porter, Mike Mason, Brenda Flowers, Eydie Pickford, Tim Cnaan, Mike Wood, Bill Morton, Bill Meyer; Jim Goulette, Jim Omahen,

Larry Halbert, President: Larry Halbert. (2029) Vice President: Bill Morton (2029) Treasurer: Denise Singlar (2027) Secretary: Alana Grays-Bailey (2029), Curator: Mike Wood(2029) Board of Trustees: Chris Smith (2029), Bill Meyer (2028), Mike Mason (2026), Dennis Porter (2026), Steve Arrandale (2027), Brenda Flowers (2027), Jim Gale (2028), Jim Omahen (2029)

Meeting called to order by President Larry Halbert at 10:05.

Larry extended a welcome to the members and a thank you for their attendance.

The September 2026 monthly meeting minutes were reviewed, Tina Utter motioned to approve these minutes, the motion was seconded by Dennis Porter.

September financial report was presented by Treasurer Denise Singlar. Jim Goulette motioned to approve this report, the motion was seconded by Joe Singlar.

Mike Wood, Curator, reported that Patrick McElligot gifted a donation of railroad information.

Mike inquired if members were interested in participating in the annual Christmas luncheon? The plan would be to reserve a space at Club 55, in Sidney, on an available date on a Tuesday. Each member would be responsible for the cost of their meal. Will discuss at

a time closer to the date if the SHA will add a stipend to defer any increase in cost from the previous year. Mike received a positive response from membership.

The American Legion, Post 183, in Sidney, has requested a tour of the Museum. The American Legion Detachment of Delaware County will visit on October 27 at 10:30. Mike is requesting volunteers to assist with the tour and answer questions during their visit.

Larry Halbert, President, thanked Andrew Kantor for the recent SHA website updates and his expertise in correcting and preventing "email scams"

REMINDERS: Terry McMaster presentation, Oct 24 at 11:00. "Rev. William Johnston and his gang of Villains: A Loyalist Perspective" at the Sidney Memorial Public Library.

Scott Payne, Saturday November 21, 2pm. Sidney Memorial Public Library

Presentation and Cost Analysis of building purchase, VFW, 44Grand, Renting. This presentation was presented by a committee consisting of Denise Singlar, Bill Meyer, and Larry Halbert.

The information presented was a current cost analysis comparing the purchase of the VFW building to the property at 44 Grand Street and the current renting option.

The goal of this group : To determine available options thru sharing information and financial clarity.

Please see: Spreadsheet Larry read feedback from members who were unable to attend today's meeting. Floor opened to questions. - Square footage of each space? - In reviewing donations to the SHA, "What can be counted on yearly" - A fourth possible location was presented, East Guilford Presbyterian Church; upon future review, current bylaws state that this organization is to be located in the Village of Sidney. –

Discussion regarding partnership with other organizations in the Village with like needs.– Publicize that the SHA is actively looking to secure a permanent location in the Village.– Determine timelines of current building rental.– Have a clearer picture as to what is being offered from "The Hospital"– Invite members from VFW and Eric Wilson from the Town of Sidney to better understand each party's concept of what is being offered.

A motion to adjourn the meeting was made at 11:45. Temporary Acting Secretary: Brenda Flowers