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**NEBRASKA TRACTOR TEST MUSEUM  
COMMITTEE MINUTES**

July 21, 1998  
224 - 225 L.W. Chase Hall

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The meeting was called to order by Chair Bill Splinter at 1:35 p.m.

Members present: Hermann, Leviticus, Kleis, Splinter, Hoffman.

Bill introduced Mark Nickolaus, a new volunteer that is now serving as a tour guide in the museum.

There was not enough members to have a quorum.

Approval of the treasurer's report and minutes of our last meeting were postponed until the next meeting.

Museum took two tractors to the Camp Creek Thresher's fair.

The committee reviewed the architect's list of needed repairs along with cost estimates. Total project costs for this renovation is \$103,150 (see attached list).

One missing item needed is a concrete sidewalk from south entrance door to the sidewalk between BSE buildings for handicap access.

The two urgent needs are: steam line repaired and electrical connections

Some of the renovation items are not required and others can be done by volunteers.

Planning for the State Fair:

Roger Welsch will announce raffle of his tractor on the first Monday (August 31) of the fair. An article will appear in Ageless Iron in August.

Mark Nickolaus has already given four tours and has three more planned. He will be there 9-12 on Monday, Wednesday, and Saturdays, or as arranged. Splinter and Kleis will give afternoon tours.

Our first newsletter was distributed, July 1998. Lou was thanked for his article attached to the Newsletter on the beginnings of the Nebraska Tractor Test Law.

Lori Bragg did not work in the museum this summer as hoped.

Les Larsen has located a two row horse-drawn cultivator built by L.W. Chase. Splinter will check on it's availability.

ASAE Landmark:

Gordon Kruse is interested in information on conservation tillage. He mailed forms to Splinter to complete so we could apply for ASAE Landmark. This tillage made mold board plows obsolete.

Next meeting will be: **OCTOBER 20, 1998 at 1:30 p.m. in 225 L.W. CHASE HALL**

Adjourned at 2:35 p.m.

Table 1.  
Estimated Project Budget  
Former Tractor Test Laboratory

A. CONSTRUCTION COSTS

Interior construction

1. Electrical (phase 1 cost)	\$3000	
2. Mechanical (phase 1 cost)	\$7500	
3. Interior painting	\$3500	
4. Door repair, refurbishing	\$1500	
5. Provide 2 handicapped restrooms	\$15000	
6. New gyp. bd. ceilings	\$8000	
subtotal		\$38,500

Exterior construction

1. Window repair, reglazing, painting	\$4000	
2. Replace west garage door on north side	\$800	
3. Replace east garage door w/ wall, walk door	\$1200	
4. Remove existing north sliding doors	\$300	
5. Repair and replace stucco	\$15000	
6. Repair and repoint CMU walls	\$10000	
7. Paint exterior	\$4500	
8. Landscaping, grading, sidewalks	\$5000	
9. Provide railing, repair loading dock	\$2000	
10. Pave area south of building	\$5000	
11. Parking lot striping, signage	\$750	
subtotal		\$48,550

Total construction cost - \$87,050

B. FEES

1. Contractor overhead @ 7%	\$6100	
2. Contractor profit @ 5%	\$4500	
3. Architectural fees	\$5500	
subtotal		\$16,100

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Total Project costs \$103,150