

University of Nebraska - Lincoln

DigitalCommons@University of Nebraska - Lincoln

---

Museum Planning and Development  
Documents

Tractor Test and Power Museum, The Lester F.  
Larsen

---

December 1996

## Tractor Test Museum Committee Minutes December 11, 1996

Tractor Museum

University of Nebraska-Lincoln, TractorMuseumArchives@unl.edu

Follow this and additional works at: <https://digitalcommons.unl.edu/tractorplanning>



Part of the [Applied Mechanics Commons](#)

---

Museum, Tractor, "Tractor Test Museum Committee Minutes December 11, 1996" (1996). *Museum Planning and Development Documents*. 22.

<https://digitalcommons.unl.edu/tractorplanning/22>

This Article is brought to you for free and open access by the Tractor Test and Power Museum, The Lester F. Larsen at DigitalCommons@University of Nebraska - Lincoln. It has been accepted for inclusion in Museum Planning and Development Documents by an authorized administrator of DigitalCommons@University of Nebraska - Lincoln.

# Tractor Test Museum Committee Minutes 12/11/96

---

Present: Charles Fenster (phone), Lou Leviticus, Bill Splinter, Shirley Trauger, Steve Melvin, Lester Larsen, Franklin Walters, Bob Kleis, Al Brhel, Richard Maresh, Glenn Hoffman

Meeting called to order by Chair Splinter at 1:45 p.m. in 225 Chase Hall.

Motion to make Dr. Estes a committee member as the new UNL Museum Director was passed to replace Genoways.

West half of the roof has been repaired. Many more roof joists were replaced than anticipated. Cost was \$20,000 over the original bid. About 50 alumni have responded to our fund drive for supporting the roof repair.

Dr. Splinter is contacting tractor manufacturers to locate support. John Deere is sending a representative to check out the museum before they commit. We are hoping tractor manufacturers will provide \$50,000.

Franklin Walters suggested that Dr. Splinter contact Iowa-Nebraska Tractor Dealers Association. Lou Leviticus will provide contact.

Discussed inviting donors to become members of the Friends of the Tractor Museum.

Franklin Walters is preparing scale models of how the inside of the museum might look. Sheila Smith will prepare sketches for use in soliciting funds and laying out the museum.

James Estes arrived and was introduced.

Contributions continue to come in from the solicitation.

Treasurer's Report (Shirley Trauger): \$440 currently in treasury. Bill Splinter will submit papers for tax exempt purposes.

Lou Leviticus suggested we contact farm magazine publishers to gain their support.

Richard Maresh suggested we invite Roger Welsh to join us since he likes Alis Chambers tractors.

Bob Kleis suggested we make up an organization with a known board, officers, and friends group.

Franklin Walters asked about the policy for volunteering for or in the museum.

Meeting adjourned at 2:40 p.m.

**MEMBERS**  
**FRIENDS OF THE TRACTOR TEST AND POWER MUSEUM COMMITTEE**

William E. Splinter, President  
202 BSEL Bldg  
E. Campus 0832  
402-472-5511

Glenn Hoffman, Secretary  
223 LWC  
E. Campus 0726  
402-472-1413

Fred Chase  
2171 Gulf Shore Blvd N.  
Naples, FL 33940  
813-262-6554

Charles Fenster  
1545 Beverly Blvd  
Gering, NE 69341  
308-436-4254

Jim Jonas  
RR2, Box 86  
Wahoo, NE 68066  
402-443-4858

Lou Leviticus  
207 LWC  
EC 0726  
402-472-2442

Richard Maresh  
220 N. 16th St.  
Geneva, NE 68361  
402-759-3645

John Smith  
2018 Cheyenne Dr.  
Scottsbluff, NE 68361  
308-632-1247

Dale Vanderholm  
207 Ag Hall  
EC 0704  
402-472-2046

Robert W. Kleis, Vice President  
6520 Sumner  
Lincoln, NE 68506  
402-489-3902

Shirley Traugher, Treasurer  
Exeter, NE 68351  
402-266-4801

Earl Ellington  
7420 Briarhurst Circle  
Lincoln, NE 681506  
402-489-4338

Hugh Genoways  
307 Morrill Hall  
C. Campus 0338  
402-472-3779

Howard Lamb  
HC 71, Box 20  
Anselmo, NE 68813  
308-643-2535

Lester Larsen  
1205 N. 42nd Street  
Lincoln, NE 68503  
402-472-2219/466-1128

Steve Melvin  
Box 386  
Nelson, NE 68961  
402-225-2381

Norm Tooker  
7745 Park Lane  
Ralston, NE 68127  
402-331-4612/367-6115

Frank Walters  
P.O. Box 0157  
Hardy, NE 68943  
402-279-3935