

BY-LAWS
GUNTERSVILLE HISTORICAL SOCIETY

The following constitutes the By-Laws of The Guntersville Historical Society hereinafter referred to as “the Society”; a publicly owned corporation organized pursuant to the provisions and for the purposes set forth in the Articles of Incorporation dated May 23, 1978.

Article I
Role and Purpose

The Society is organized for the role and purposes as contained in the Articles of Incorporation and shall have all powers and authority specified therein and in any amendment thereof heretofore or hereafter made.

Article II
Board of Directors

Section 1. The governing body of the Society shall be the Board of Directors composed of the elected officers.

Section 2. The officers shall be a President, a Vice President, a Secretary, a Treasurer, and a Historian, who shall be elected to a one-year term.

Article III

Section 1. The officers of the Society shall be elected by a plurality of votes cast at the February meeting.

Section 2. A committee on nominations, appointed by the President of the association, shall submit prior to the Annual Meeting a list of nominees for the constitutional officers.

Section 3. Nominations may also be made by any member of the Society at the Annual Meeting.

Section 4. Officers shall be installed at the close of the Annual Meeting at which they are elected, and shall serve until their successors have

been duly elected and installed. In the event of resignations or incapacity of any officer except the President, the vacancy may be filled by a vote of the Board of Directors for the unexpired term.

Section 5. The President of the Society shall preside at all meetings of the Society. The President shall appoint all committees in accordance with these bylaws. The President shall have such other duties and responsibilities as shall be delegated to him by these bylaws and by the Society from time to time.

Section 6. The Vice-President in the absence of the President or in the event of his inability to act shall perform the duties of the President and in so acting, shall have all the powers and authority of the President. The Vice-President shall perform other such duties as from time to time shall be assigned by the President.

Section 7. Secretary-The Secretary of the Society shall attend all sessions of the Society and record minutes of all proceedings thereof in a book, to be kept for that purpose. The Secretary shall give, or cause to be given, notice of all meetings of the Society for which notice is required. The Secretary shall perform other duties as may be prescribed by the Society.

Section 8. Treasurer-The Treasurer shall ensure that a true and accurate accounting of the financial transactions of the Society is made and that such accounting is presented to and made available to the Society. The Treasurer shall perform other duties as may be prescribed by the Society.

Article IV Committees

Section 1. The selection of both standing and ad hoc committees will be the choice of each administration.

Section 2. These committees will be appointed by the President.

Article V Amendments

The articles of incorporation and the by-laws may be amended at any regular or adjourned meeting by a two-thirds vote of those in attendance,

provided notice was given at the previous meeting. Or, it may be amended at a special meeting called for that purpose, with previous notice and two-thirds vote of those in attendance. All proposed amendments shall be submitted in writing.

Article VI Membership and Dues

Section 1. Any person interested in the history of Guntersville and surrounding area who applies for membership and tenders the necessary dues shall thereby become a member.

Section 2. Annual dues for individual active members shall be ten dollars (\$10.00). Family membership is eighteen dollars (\$18.00).

Section 3. Members in arrears more than six months after payment is due shall be dropped from membership.

Article VII Schedule and Quorum for Meeting

Section 1. Meetings will take place six times per year to be on the second Sunday of the month in February, April, June, August, October, and December.

Section 2. Special meetings may be called by the president.

Section 3. The Board of Directors shall meet as requested by the President or when any of its members call for such a meeting.

Section 4. Those present at the annual, regular, and called meetings of the Society shall constitute a quorum for carrying out the business of the Society. A simple majority vote of members present is required for decision.

These are the By-Laws adopted by the Guntersville Historical Society at the meeting of December 9, 2001.

Warren Jones, Jr.
President