

**Minutes**  
**Wellesley Twp. Heritage/Historical Society Meeting**  
**Monday, June 14, 2010, 7:30 p.m.**

Present: Carol Gregory, Ron Hackett (chair), Bob Hammer, Ross Kelterborn, Nancy Maitland, Sarah Peck, Diane Peters, Garry Peters. Marg Rowell (guest),

**1. Call to order – Ron Hackett**

1. Delegations:

- Nancy Maitland – the new curator/archivist for the historical collection was introduced and reported that she had begun work in mid-May. So far she has reorganized the Historical Room, begun work on organizing and assessing the S.S. #16 school records, begun dealing with new acquisitions, familiarized herself with the computer system, and looked at the Tweedsmuir histories. Her plans are to write a procedures manual, tidy up the computer files, and check the cupboards to see where to put new material. Ron thanked Nancy and welcomed her aboard.
- Marg Rowell from the Heritage Resources Centre at the University of Waterloo went over her draft presentation for the residents of Hawkesville regarding the possibility of setting up of a Heritage Conservation District. This included historical background on the settlement and on architectural styles. Discussion followed. Marg, Ron, and Sarah will go through the presentation and make necessary revisions. It was suggested that material be added describing how the idea of setting up a HCD came about, what it means, and how it would impact homeowners. The presentation will be held later in the fall.

2. Minutes of the meeting of May 10, 2010

- moved by Ross/Garry that the minutes be accepted as distributed. Carried.

3. Business arising from the minutes

- Jack Koehler recognition plaque – this has been mounted on a stone which will be placed and will be placed between the benches at the front of the library.
- WTHHS outdoor sign – this has been set up in front of the library. Ron will write a letter of thanks to the township public works staff for their work.
- reproduction of the Maple Leaf Journal – a decision was deferred on how to proceed.
- Region of Waterloo Archives partnership – Ron went to see the set up at the Regional archives. We could borrow back material for displays, etc., but regional staff would have to retrieve it for public use. It was decided that for the time being we should look into improving the storage conditions in the historical room. The library and township are looking into the possibility of getting air conditioning installed. Nancy will check to see what material might potentially go to the Regional archives.
- Tweedsmuir books – Ron was contacted by the Waterloo Historical Society regarding the numbers of books available (6 for Wellesley, 4 for Linwood, 1 for Macton). They will be working with the Ontario Genealogical Society on its

- digitization project. Nancy is trying to organize the material and it was decided not to pass the books on to anyone at the present time.
- Heritage Register – Ron and Sarah have been looking into compiling this and have identified approximately 200 buildings so far.
  - Bob Hammer video – this was viewed at the last meeting. It was agreed that we could make a copy available on the computer in the Historical Room.
4. Treasurer's report
    - no change from the previous meeting in the Historical Society account. Ron will update the bank book to reflect costs for the plaque.
    - Carol reported that there is approximately \$1500 in the Heritage Society chequing account and \$6300 in a GIC.
  5. Secretary's report and correspondence
    - Ron received a copy of the Waterloo Historical Society April newsletter.
    - a letter was received from Wellesley District Board of Trade re: sponsoring an activity at the Fam Jam fundraiser for the Wellesley splash park to be held on June 25. No action was taken.
  6. Old business
    - microfilming of Maple Leaf newspapers – Ron will follow up with Cameron Nicksler from HOV Services. He would like to see the microfilm at the Grace Schmidt room. Ron and Nancy, along with Marion Roes from the Historical Society if possible, will meet him at Kitchener Public Library to see the microfilm in the Grace Schmidt Room.
  7. New business
    - Ross passed on photographs of the Christian Berger home formerly at the corner of Maple Leaf and Molesworth streets showing the construction method.
    - Ross asked about the possibility of having a display of fire department material at the Apple Butter and Cheese Festival.
    - Ron reported that Susan Duke had been sent an invitation to the unveiling of a plaque honouring Tom Patterson to be held in Stratford on July 13.
    - Ron attended the unveiling of a heritage plaque in Bridgeport on July 11.
    - minutes of the May/June meeting of the Regional Heritage Advisory Committee were passed around.
  9. Next meeting – **Monday, August 9, 2010. 7:30 p.m.**
  10. **Adjournment** – 9:15 p.m.