

Minutes
WELLESLEY TOWNSHIP HERITAGE/HISTORICAL SOCIETY
MEETING
Monday, March 12, 2012 7:30 p.m.

Present: Brenda Armstrong, Carol Gregory, Ron Hackett (chair), Ross Kelterborn, Nancy Maitland, Sarah Peck, Diane Peters, Garry Peters

1. Call to order - Ron Hackett

2. Minutes of the meeting of January 23, 2012

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

3. Business arising

- Hawkesville Heritage District – it was agreed to postpone further discussion for the time being.

- *Maple Leaf Journal* DVD – Nancy reported that this has now been completed and is available for sale. She distributed a report with further details. Around 45 copies must be sold to break even on costs. Nancy has prepared a report on the project which went to Council and a press release.

- purchase of Powerpoint projector – this has been done. It was bought and paid for by the Township, but Ron reimbursed the money from the Historical Society account.

- website for WTHHS – Nancy presented a proposal for setting this up. Motion (Ross/Brenda) that we proceed with the project and that money to cover cost be taken from the Historical Society account. Carried.

5. Treasurer's Report

- Ron reported that there is currently around \$1000 (bankbook not updated since reimbursement to Twp. Koehler Fund) in the Historical Society account.

- Carol reported that there is \$1499.59 in the Heritage account, plus a GIC for \$6456.43.

5. Curator's Report

- Nancy and Sarah attended a "Building Stories" session at the UW Heritage Resource Centre which was designed to train people to enter information about buildings into a database. The website will be going live on March 31. If we want to participate we would have to decide what buildings we would want to describe and who would serve as a moderator for information posted. It was decided to wait for the time being until project funding is sorted out before making a decision.

- Nancy opened the Historical Room on Heritage Day (February 20) and eleven visitors came. Most were people who had moved to the area recently.

- Nancy and Ron attended a Waterloo Historical Society meeting in Hawkesville on March 10.

- Ron has volunteered to staff the Historical Room on March 31, when Nancy will be away. Nancy has prepared a procedures manual for volunteers.

- Wellesley Township will be involved in the 2012 Doors Open. Suggested locations to open would be the Historical Room, St. Paul's Church, Council Chambers. Other suggestions should be sent to Nancy.
- Wi-fi will be available in the library soon so we will be able to hook up the computer in the Historical Room to the internet.

6. Communications

- An email message was received from Rik Louwagie asking for a contribution to replace the roof on the Wellesley Township Council Chambers. Ron responded and suggested that funding might be available through the Waterloo Regional Heritage Foundation. Sarah will check with Rik to see how far along an application is being put together.
- Information was received from the Waterloo Historical Society regarding their conference "A Year in History" to be held at the Waterloo Region Museum June 8-9.
- A letter was received from the organizers of the Waterloo Region International Plowing Match, to be held September 18-22, 2012 near Roseville. We were invited to mount a display. It was decided to wait to decide if we should participate.
- A letter of permission for Society members to research free at the land registry office was received. Ron will forward an email copy.

7. Old Business

- Shelves – Ron reported that work is proceeding on these.
- Diane talked to Julie Schnurr regarding the possibility of doing a presentation on behalf of the Society. She is considering this, but it is unlikely that it would be ready for April/May.

8. New Business

- Ron will send information regarding the availability of funding from the Waterloo Regional Heritage Foundation to owners of designated properties in the township.

9. Next Meeting - **Monday, May 14, 2012 at 7:30 p.m**

The meeting adjourned at 9:20 p.m.