

Minutes
WELLESLEY TOWNSHIP HERITAGE and HISTORICAL SOCIETY
MEETING
Monday, April 9, 2018, 7:30 p.m.

Present: Carol Gregory, Dave Holzschuh, Ross Kelterborn, Beth Lealess, Nancy Maitland,
Diane Peters, Garry Peters, Peter van der Maas

Regrets: Joanna Kipfer, Larry Park

1. Call to order - 7:30 p.m. (Nancy)
2. Delegations - none
3. Minutes of the meeting of March 12, 2018 and of the AGM, March 12, 2018
- moved by Ross/Dave that the minutes be accepted as distributed. Carried.
4. Business arising
 - Pond designation – Nancy attended the meeting of the pond committee and consultants on March 14th at the township office; we will move forward with designation of the pond under Part IV of the Ontario Heritage Act. While the GRCA is the owner of the pond, it is a Council decision whether or not to move forward with designation. Of course we would want to work with the GRCA to come to an agreement; Nancy has contacted Geoff van der Baaren for further discussion
 - membership form redesign – in progress
 - the April email newsletter has been sent out
 - Heritage Register – work is progressing; Garry and Diane have gone through the St. Clements section and Ross has reviewed the town of Wellesley town section
 - the write-up regarding the fair prize has been updated and submitted to the fair board; it was agreed that this should be promoted on Facebook and on our website
5. Communications
 - Nancy passed around a letter from the Ministry of Government and Community Services – members of the Society are exempt from charges when using land registry offices; land information is also available online through the Onland database
6. Curator's Report / Petty Cash Report
 - Nancy has been working on the processing backlog – we will need to order some supplies for oversize items
 - cataloguing and processing of Dave Holschuh's family history collection has been completed (230 items)
 - new Inmagic databases include the LACAC files and images and research files from the writing of the *Maple Leaf Journal*
 - summer projects – (1) rehouse photographs by size to free up space and save money on folders; (2) catalogue and process *Waterloo Chronicle* articles on Wellesley township
 - a Discover Heritage information day will be held at the Waterloo Region Museum will be held on Saturday, May 12th
 - Nancy obtained a copy of an index to names on the 1843 Walker survey map of the township from Kitchener Public Library

- Dave is working on a project which will bring together information from township maps, directories and gazetteers from 1842, 1861, 1864, 1877, and 1884
- new acquisitions include a write-up from 1982 celebration in Linwood donated by Levea Schnurr and some manuals on farming donated by Ken Musselman
- Nancy, Diane, and Garry attended the open house for the 175th anniversary of Philipsburg Lutheran Church on March 24th
- web statistics – monthly averages for 2018: 261 user/month; 345 sessions/month; 1310 page views/month
- petty cash – balance at end of 2017 \$93.21; 2017 expenses reimbursed by Theresa Bisch \$104.97; total available April 9, 2018 \$198.18

7. New Business

- there was discussion on maintenance of the Facebook page – Nancy and Beth will look at it
- Nancy has met with Dave to discuss computer back up

8. Other Business

- a Genealogy Fair will be held at Kitchener Public Library on April 21 from 9:00-2:00

9. Next meeting – Monday, May 14th, 7:30 p.m.

The meeting adjourned at 8:30 p.m.