

## Minutes

### WELLESLEY TOWNSHIP HERITAGE AND HISTORICAL SOCIETY MEETING

Monday March 18, 2019 – 2:00 pm

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

Regrets: Joanna Kipfer, Ross Kelterborn, Jean Herrgott

1. Call to order – 2:04 pm - Nancy

2. Delegations - None

3. Minutes from last meeting February 11 – correction to AGM minutes – there were no additional nominees. Motion to approve amended AGM minutes accepted (Carole/Peter) was carried.

Motion to accept regular minutes (Dave/Diane) was carried.

4. Business Arising

Heritage day in New Dundee was a success. Garry, Diane, Carol and Andrew assisted. Heritage Day on February 23<sup>rd</sup> saw 12 people visit the Historical Room. We are out of membership forms and almost out of walking tours. Nancy will print more and add Ottman building to the walking tour. Motion to accept (Dave/Andrew) was carried.

Fall Fair 2019 theme – “Bee-autiful”

WTHHS agreed to carry on with current prizes/publicity for at least one more year.

5. New Business

Nancy and Beth attended the council meeting on February 11<sup>th</sup> and Nancy’s contract was renewed and our request for funds from the Koehler Fund for our annual operating budget was approved.

Andrew and Nancy drove around Wellesley village to look at proposed houses to add to the Heritage Register. WTHHS will move forward with the register as it is needed for the pond to be recognized and a Regionally Significant Cultural Heritage Resource (RSCHR). It was noted that the old hotel building in Bamberg had been torn down. The butcher shop building on Nafziger Road is being fixed up inside. Dave suggested getting pictures of older properties before they are demolished and Nancy agreed to give Dave a list of properties created earlier.

Nancy wrote a press release about the Women’s Institute Minutes which appeared in the *Woolwich Observer*.

Nancy is meeting with Carey McClement of Lucy Pearlles Shoppe in Wellesley Village in 2 weeks to discuss working together. The possibility of running a PD day program was discussed.

Nancy had an email from Gary Weppler of Linwood about the Eldon Leis paintings. He was disappointed that we were not able to take both paintings or give him a charitable donation tax receipt. He will try to sell the painting elsewhere.

The Kelterborn trade token was purchased at a cost of \$45.

## 6. Curators Report

WTHHS annual budget of \$1000 - Theresa from the township advised that additional money could be taken from the Koehler Estate fund if required. Accumulated interest is available for purchases.

Nancy added the Women's Institute Minutes from 1919 – 2008 on our website. The Spetz book was scanned for OCR (optical character recognition) and added to our website.

Photos from the Wellesley Council Chamber are to be scanned as part of a council history Nancy is preparing. Nancy will contact Elizabeth Bloomfield who wrote "Waterloo County Councillors: a collective biography" for permission to use her profiles of Wellesley councilors.

The Waterloo Hall of Fame ceremony is April 28<sup>th</sup>. Nancy provided the Museum with photos and artifacts for display.

Web stats: YTD 225 users per month and 1051 page views.

## 7. Other business

Dave will look into wording used by historical/heritage groups re: research donations.

Nancy wrote an article for Embracing Change magazine about the first telephone system in Wellesley village which was set up by Dr. Glaister and later purchased by the township in 1919.

Andrew has been updating the photo database.

Historical room needs to be re-keyed.

Some supplies will need to be purchase – TBD.

Ottman descendants will be attending the Historical room on April 27<sup>th</sup>.

A photograph of Bridge Number 6 is on loan to be displayed. Carol suggested it be displayed at the township officer with WTHHS photos.

Petty cash at \$93.38

Dave discussed organizing a group for genealogy within the township.

Nancy and Beth to work on increasing Facebook page activity.

## 8. Next meeting

Date of next meeting will be Monday April 8

9. Meeting adjourned at 3:02 p.m.