

Minutes

WELLESLEY TOWNSHIP HERITAGE AND HISTORICAL SOCIETY MEETING

Monday, January 13, 2020 – 2:00 pm

Present: Karolyn Fournier, Andrew Jacobson, Nancy Maitland, Diane Peters, Garry Peters, Peter van der Maas

Regrets: Ross Kelterborn, Beth Lealess, Judy Mendicino, Carol Gregory, Jean Herrgott, Dave Holzschuh

1. **Call to order** – 2:02 pm

2. **Delegations**– none

3. **Annual General Meeting**

- Chair, Curator, Secretary, and Financial reports were read. After the addition of volunteer hours to the Chair’s report, all reports were accepted.
- Election of Officers – As there were no other nominations for Chair and Vice-Chair, Nancy Maitland and Andrew Jacobson were acclaimed to those roles. Nominations for the role of Secretary were accepted from the floor. Karolyn Fournier was acclaimed in the role.
- Nancy expressed her thanks to Andrew and Karolyn for agreeing to serve.
- The AGM adjourned at 2:20.

4. **Minutes from last meeting** – November 25, 2019 - Motion to accept - Peter/Garry. Carried.

5. **Communications** - none

6. **New Business**

- **2020 Budget** - Nancy presented a draft budget for 2020. Peter said that council is considering some public projects in which we might participate and \$50 was added to the public meeting line item. There was some question of our continuing to pay for a subscription to “Canada’s History.” Karolyn said she would check with the library staff about the actual cost of the subscription and whether or not they could put a label on it indicating that we had paid for it. She said she would poll everyone by email with the results. After a short discussion the budget was approved. Andrew/Karolyn. Carried.

Category	2020 budget
office/admin	\$125.00
display	\$175.00
membership (WHS)	\$30.00
subscription (Canada's History)	\$60.00
acquisition	\$150.00
acid free supplies	\$400.00
public meeting/events/workshop	\$150.00
Total	\$1090.00

Nancy asked for permission to purchase a postcard of Queen Street, Wellesley, looking west. \$34 US. Postmark is dated 1909. Motion to purchase - Garry/Andrew.

Nancy said she would create a display about “Places of Worship” for Wilmot’s Heritage Day displays in New Dundee February 22, 2020. Diane, Garry, and Andrew volunteered to look after the display

table. Nancy said she would see if anyone else could help in the afternoon and confirm by email closer to the day.

Nancy said she would check with Grace Kosch about attending a council meeting to present her report for 2019, ask for our budget from the Koehler Estate Fund and ask for her contract to be renewed. A volunteer will be required to attend for that last item.

There were no takers for our old laser printer. Nancy will ask around and we will see if Carol knows anyone who could use it.

5. Old Business

Nancy said she had contacted Grace Kosch about the progress of the tax assessment rolls initiative. No progress.

Two people attended the RWL visit/meeting in November .

6. Curator/Chair's Report

- Newsletter
- "Embracing Change" articles – Elmer Hohl (December), Rural Schools (February)
- New Hamburg Independent – added our 2020 open days in "Things To Do" / Events
- Web stats – monthly averages for 2019: 238 users/month; 316 sessions; 998 page views

7. Financial Report – as noted in the AGM year end report:

Heritage Committee	6860.00
Historical Society	1124.88
Koehler Fund	48,790.25
Koehler GIC	300,000.00
Petty cash	115.19
Total	\$356,890.32

Karolyn noted an anomaly in the financial reports, in that numbers above a double line should add up to the amount below the double line. Nancy said the reports were produced for us by the Treasurer for the Township.

8. Other Business - none

9. **Next Meeting:** Monday, March 9, 2020

10. Meeting adjourned at 3:05 pm.