

WELLESLEY TOWNSHIP HISTORICAL AND HERITAGE SOCIETY MINUTES

Wednesday, January 13, 2025

NOTE: The names and addresses of homeowners and researchers will be omitted from published minutes to maintain their privacy.

Present by Zoom:

Andrew Jacobson, Chair; Peter van der Maas, Vice Chair; Nancy Maitland, Interim Curator; Carol Gregory, Debbie Kroetsch

1. **Call to Order:** 10:09 AM

2. **Disclosure of Pecuniary Interest**

3. **Adoption of Minutes** – November 13, 2024

Moved by Andrew Jacobson

Seconded by Peter van der Maas

That the Wellesley Township Heritage and Historical Society committee approve the minutes of the November 13, 2024, meeting as amended.

Carried

4. **Presentations / Delegations/ Communications**

5. **Chair's Report: Curator search continues.**

6. **Unfinished Business:**

- The search for a new curator continues There were four applicants.
- Council approved the increase in number of paid hours for the curator to 20 hours/month at the meeting on January 12.

7. **New Business:**

- **Wilmot Heritage Day, Saturday February 15**, we will have a table display at event in New Dundee, from 10 am to 2 pm. Debbie Kroetsch and Nancy Maitland will attend
- **Family Day, February 17**, Historical Room will be open from 10 am to 2 pm. Peter van der Maas and Nancy Maitland will attend
- **Annual General Meeting, Wednesday March 12** – Nancy Maitland nominated Andrew Jacobson as Chair; Theresa Bisch as Secretary; Peter van der Maas agreed to continue as vice-chair in 2025. All were acclaimed.

8. **Heritage Committee:**

- Carol Gregory, Debbie Kroetsch and Nancy Maitland had lunch with Marg Rowell (Architectural Conservancy of Ontario consultant), after which Carol, Debbie and Marg met with Andrew Jacobson at the site of two possible designations: 1149 Queen's Bush Road (log house) and 1153 Queen's Bush Road (Zoeger House). Marg Rowell suggested that the log house needed too much repair to be considered, but to go ahead with the Zoeger House. The owners of both houses need to be contacted with his information.

9. Curator's Report (see attached)

- Nancy's expenses totalling \$79.91 were approved.

10. Social Media Report:

11. Financial Reports (Will be the same reports for the March meeting.)

- Theresa said she would reach out to Jeff Dyck, Director of Corporate Services to provide financial reports when required.

12. Other Business:

13. Next Meeting

- Wednesday, March 12, 2025, 10 a.m.

14. Adjournment:

Moved by: Andrew Jacobson

Seconded by: Peter van der Mass

That the Wellesley Township Heritage and Historical Society meeting does now adjourn at 10:34 AM

Carried

Appendix A

Interim Curator's Report – January 8, 2025

- Borrowed burial records from Franklin-Further funeral home and scanned them 1925-1926; 1932-1935; 1935-1945; 1946-1956; will add information to our digital collection on our website, but not the actual records for privacy
- Assisted with curator job posting; after discussion with Grace, we extended the deadline and had several more applicants
- Created specific interview questions for each applicant
- Catalogued donation of coverlet referred to in last report
- Wrote an article for January edition of [Embracing Change](#) about businesses in Wellesley around turn of the (last) century
- Purchased 1918 postcard on e-bay; \$58.75



- Ordered supplies as per request at November meeting; ca \$251.03 [plus shipping]
- Responded to request for a display table at Wilmot Heritage Day:
 - “175 Years: Celebrating Wilmot’s Families.”
 - Saturday February 15, 2015, 10 am to 2 pm;
 - New Dundee Community Centre
- General update of website
- December newsletter in progress

Expenses For Approval

Date	Expense	Total
2024-11-30	Google Workspace. November	\$10.58
2024-12-31	Google Workspace. December	\$10.58
2025-01-03	Postcard – ebay	\$58.75
Total		\$79.91