

Minutes
WELLESLEY TOWNSHIP HERITAGE/HISTORICAL SOCIETY
MEETING
Monday, JUNE 20, 2016, 7:30 p.m.

Present: Carol Gregory, Dave Holzschuh, Ross Kelterborn, Nancy Maitland, Diane Peters, Garry Peters

Regrets: Beth Lealess, Peter Van der Maas

1. Call to order - 7:35 p.m. (Nancy)

2. Delegations - none

3. Minutes of the meeting of May 9, 2016

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

4. Business arising

- Municipal Heritage Register – Nancy passed around a list of potential properties in the town of Wellesley prepared in 2009. It was agreed that we should start with the town of Wellesley when preparing the heritage register, then work on other areas of the township later.

- Heritage account signing authority – Carol, Nancy and Beth still need to complete the signing of the forms at the bank.

- Public meeting May 31st – Nancy’s presentation on township family history resources in our collection was attended by around 14 people. Although attendance was sparse the meeting went well and there were many questions. Two copies of the *Maple Leaf Journal* and 1 Steckley DVD were sold. Nancy thanked Dave and Beth for their help.

- Facebook page for the Society – Beth and Nancy have set this up and some photos have been added

- Ross suggested that displays might be put up in local restaurants or in the library as an additional form of advertising the collection

- Oral history – Nancy mentioned a project in Waterloo called “If Streets Could Talk” which discussed the local built heritage; something similar might be possible here

5. Treasurers’ Reports

- Carol reported there is \$1500.59 in the Heritage Society chequing account, with an additional \$6745.64 in a GIC

- In Beth’s absence, Nancy reported that the current balance in the bank account is \$2098.65

- Motion by Ross/Dave that Nancy be reimbursed \$64.56 from the petty cash fund for expenses incurred (Wellesley-Philipsburg highway ribbon, posters, postage, projector supplies, framing). Carried. The balance in petty cash is now \$91.36.

6. Communications

- none

7. Curator's Report

- Nancy was contacted by someone from the Woolwich Heritage office regarding information on Heritage plaques
- an article about the St. Clements Church paintings was published in the *Waterloo Region Record* in May; Nancy spoke to someone about a possible donation of the church drawings mentioned in the article, but we don't have adequate display or storage space for them so it was suggested that the Waterloo Region Museum or Regional of Waterloo Archives be contacted
- two articles about the cryptic gravestone in Rushes Cemetery near Wellesley were published in the *Record* in May/June; Nancy has spoken with the Cemetery Board re: replacing the sign beside the gravestone
- Nancy brought in a piece of the corduroy road discovered in Waterloo recently
- a souvenir glass from Wellesley was donated by the Tavistock and District Historical Society
- Nancy is still looking for Ottmann photographs; someone from Guelph lent her a box of photos to scan
- two 1927 copies of the Wellesley *Maple Leaf* were donated

8. New Business

- Nancy is planning exhibits for the ABC Festival in September; she will be adding more Ottmann photos and putting together a new display of "Family Treasures" which will consist of materials related to specific families
- Nancy recommended the purchase of DB/Textworks as our new collection management software
- Nancy has prepared a 2016 budget as part of an application for a Heritage Organization Development Grant; moved by Ross/Carol that the proposed budget prepared for the HODG application be accepted. Carried.
Subsequent to the meeting Nancy noticed an error in the proposed budget and circulated an amended version; Carol moved and Dave seconded the motion to approve the amended budget via email
- Nancy's M.P Empey article was published in the Waterloo Historical Society annual report volume 103 (2015)

9. Next Meeting - Monday, September 19th, 7:30 p.m

The meeting adjourned at 8:15 p.m. (moved by Dave/Garry).