

**MINUTES**  
**McKELLAR HISTORICAL COMMITTEE MEETING**  
**April 3, 2013.**

**MEMBERS:**

PRESENT - Ted Stroud, Tamara Black, Vivian Moore, Irva Stewart, Jean Kingston, John Moffat, Joyce Hopkins

REGRETS - Kelsey Ward

I.) Moved by Joyce Hopkins, Seconded by Irva Stewart, that the Minutes of the March 6, 2013 meeting, be accepted. (13-08) Carried.

II.) No declarations of pecuniary interest were made.

III.) Visitors - Stephen Webb

IV.) **CORRESPONDENCE:** Email from Becky Smalldon.

V.) **REPORTS OF MEMBERS:**

Stephen Webb reported that he purchased the digital recorder.

Stephen spoke with the Principal of McDougall School. The only concern is the cost of the bus. The solution may be to combine 2 classes into one trip.

The Principal will get a price on the bus, which will likely be covered with a nominal charge to each student. Stephen is considering mid to late May for the event. Volunteers will be needed to help out from about 9:00 - 1:00.

Stephen consulted with Kelsey about the previous website for the Heritage Room. [www.ewmheritageroom.com](http://www.ewmheritageroom.com)

Stephen has been working on another website for news.

[www.mckellaracollectdhistory.com](http://www.mckellaracollectdhistory.com)

When Kelsey returns to McKellar, Stephen will meet with her to consult on the digitizing and cataloguing of records, as well as the plaque project.

Stephen expressed a willingness to teach a seminar on a historical topic such as 'Folklore' through the Pioneer College. The seminars would ultimately work to tie McKellar history into the topic.

Joyce Hopkins reported that she received an email from Becky Smalldon regarding the Barn Project. Becky has interviewed 4 people in the Hurdville area and obtained photographs. She has 3 more interviews lined up in Broadbent this month. Joyce and Becky will begin mapping the barn locations later this month.

Joyce reported that Karen Birch is retrieving most of her artifacts from the Heritage Room. The Committee will need to replace some of these items, as some of them are large and necessary in the Heritage Room. Particularly we will need to replace the clothing rack, the table, and the blanket box.

Joyce reported that Stephen has measured for storage shelves in the Heritage Room. The Committee will have to authorize the purchase of shelving units if the Committee cannot find any to be donated.

Joyce reported that the display board needs to have the legs of it replaced.

Joyce reported that the Fun In the Sun deadline is coming up, and we should have a write up added for the Heritage Room.

Joyce would like to get 2 portable dvd players which can be mounted on the wall in the Heritage Room for visual displays. One would be used for the dvd from the United Church, and one for the River Drivers Waltz dvd.

Joyce has put together a self guided tour of the Heritage Room. She gave a copy to each committee member to review and offer feedback.

John Moffat reported that he is continuing to work on the road names. He is currently trying to determine if 'Gun Powder Hill' is located in McKellar Township.

#### VI) **MOTION and NOTICE OF MOTION:**

Moved by Irva Stewart, Seconded by John Moffat, that the McKellar Historical Committee authorize the expenditure of up to \$75.00 for the purchase of a portable DVD player with earphones. (13-09) Carried.

#### VII) **UNFINISHED BUSINESS:**

The McKellar Historical Committee will keep the following items in mind as ongoing or future projects;

\*website - Ted continues to work on the website. Stephen is working on creating a cohesive website which will display the relevant material of the committee and will be linked to Ted's historical website.

\*digitize photos/records - Has commenced, needs to be ongoing.

\*plaques - Kelsey is going to move forward and order the plaque, at which time the application for the grant can be submitted.

\*road names/landmarks history and origins - John Moffat is documenting these on the map he has been provided.

\*McKellar Elders Book - Joyce continues to work on this, she now has approximately 20 residents ready to be interviewed. The formatting of the book has been completed.

\*Walking Tour Booklet - We have the file on cd to create more Walking Tour

Booklets. Stephen will obtain information on printing options and costs.

\*Doors Open Ontario - September 28, 2013 - 10:00 - 4:00 in the Heritage Room.

\*Barn binder - Joyce is working on this with community volunteers.

\*Lumberjack Memorial - the committee to investigate options for a Memorial for St. Stephen's cemetery for the unknown lumberjacks who are buried there. Joyce is investigating the price of a small stone monument.

\*Active Living Fair - June 22 - Volunteers are needed to open the Evelyn Watkins Moore Heritage Room during this event.

VIII) **NEW BUSINESS:**

IX) **TASKS TO BE COMPLETED:**

X) Moved by Irva Stewart, seconded by Jean Kingston, that the McKellar Historical Committee adjourn. (13-10)

Next meeting to be at 6:00p.m. on Wednesday, May 1, 2013 in the Council Chambers.