

MINUTES
McKELLAR HISTORICAL COMMITTEE MEETING
DECEMBER 5, 2012.

MEMBERS:

PRESENT - Joyce Hopkins, Ted Stroud, Tamara Black, Vivian Moore, Irva Stewart

REGRETS - Jean Kingston, Kelsey Ward, John Moffat

I.) Moved by Joyce Hopkins, seconded by Irva Stewart, that the Minutes of the November 7, 2012 meeting, be accepted. (12-29) Carried.

II.) No declarations of pecuniary interest were made.

III.) Visitors - n/a

IV.)CORRESPONDENCE:

A letter of resignation was received by David Turner. David has moved out of the Township.

Ted reported on an email that he had received inquiring about some local families. Ted is following up.

V.) REPORTS OF MEMBERS:

Vivian reported that she has picked up the quilt from the WPSDM. It had a small amount of damage on the tabs, which Vivian pointed out to the WPSDM. The WPSDM gave Vivian permission to have the quilt repaired. Members of the Broadbent Victory Club are currently repairing the quilt.

Kelsey provided a written report in her absence. Joyce read the report to the committee. The report is on file.

Joyce reported that John Macfie has donated the white oak plank from the Hurdville Mill. It is currently at the McKellar Roads Department yard. Joyce will determine the measurements required and see if the Roads staff can cut the plank. John also donated a photograph of the William and Clarence Harvey signatures on the wall of the cave at Vimy Ridge.

Joyce reported that Bert Weir donated a framed print of the McKellar

Wildcats cleaning the rink. He painted it in 1954.

Joyce reported that she continues to photograph and document Adele Campbell's donations.

Joyce reported that the Smalldon's are documenting the barns in Hurdville and Broadbent over the Winter and Spring. Joyce will be working on the rest of the Township and could use an assistant. It was suggested that an ad requesting photos be placed in the McKellar News. Joyce will place this ad.

Joyce reported on the "Visions of Sugar Plums" event for December 15th. Tickets are \$15 each, or 2 for \$25. The day includes a private home tour of 6 McKellar homes (this portion of the event is not being hosted by the Township), followed by a 'celebration of Christmas past' hosted by the Historical Committee at the Heritage Room and Community Centre. Each attendee will receive a recipe book made by Joy Allen. (Complete report is on file)

Tamara reported that there were no applicants for the Intern position. The Township Office has re-posted the position.

Tamara reported that the Clerk reviewed the loan agreement document from the WPSDM and he did not have concerns with it.

Tamara reported that she has tried unsuccessfully to determine the status of the plaque situation. She will continue to attempt to connect with Kelsey.

Tamara reported that she forwarded information via email to the members regarding the status of St. Stephen's Church. From the information provided by the Clerk, it appears that the Church and some of the surrounding lands (excluding the cemetery) have been leased to the Diocese of Algoma for a term of 99 years.

Tamara reported that she did not receive any documentation from John Moffat to submit to the Great North Arrow newspaper.

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

Moved by Irva Stewart, Seconded by Tamara Black, that committee members be reimbursed for costs incurred for the printing of the recipe books for the Vision of Sugar Plums event, which will be ordered as per ticket sales determine. These costs will be covered through ticket sales and will not be taken out of the Historical Committee budget. (12-30) Carried.

Moved by Ted Stroud, Seconded by Joyce Hopkins, that the McKellar

Historical Committee agrees to participate in Doors Open Ontario on September 28, 2012. (12-31) 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. Kelsey created a website as well but it is not linked to the Township website. Both websites need more information added.

*digitize photos/records - has commenced, needs to be ongoing once new Intern is in place.

*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. Over the winter we will approach a professional printer to inquire about costs to print more.

*Doors Open Ontario - 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.

VIII) **NEW BUSINESS:**

IX) **TASKS TO BE COMPLETED:**

X) Moved by Tamara Black, seconded by Ted Stoud, that the McKellar Historical Committee adjourn. (12-32)

Next meeting to be at 6:00p.m. on January 9, 2013 in the Council Chambers.