

MINUTES
McKELLAR HISTORICAL COMMITTEE MEETING
MAY 2, 2012.

MEMBERS:

PRESENT - John Moffat, Joyce Hopkins, Ted Stroud, Tamara Black, Irva Stewart

REGRETS - Evelyn Moore, Vivian Moore, Jean Kingston, David Turner

I.) Minutes of the April 4, 2012 meeting, were accepted. Moved by Irva Stewart, seconded by Ted Stroud. (12-11) Carried.

II.) No declarations of pecuniary interest were made.

III.) Visitors - Intern - Kelsey Ward

IV.) **CORRESPONDENCE:** none

V.) **REPORTS OF MEMBERS:**

Kelsey reported that the representative of the WPSDM will be attending at the next meeting.

Kelsey provided the committee with a written report (on file.)

Kelsey provided John with a McKellar map for the Road Names project.

Kelsey reported that the Heritage Room brochures are printed and that she is working on a larger, laminated poster, as well as the permanent sign to go outside, beside the library. Kelsey reported that visitors at the Heritage Room were up this month, averaging 3 per day that the room was open. A total of 37 visitors came through. Kelsey feels that visitors seem interested and intent on returning.

Kelsey continues to work on cataloguing artifacts, as per the Ontario standards for museum cataloguing.

Kelsey has sent letter of thanks to Garnet Vowels and the Agricultural Society for their donations.

The United Church has asked Kelsey to attend their historical day, with a presentation.

Kelsey is working on creating a permanent mobile presentation board to be used at promotional events.

Kelsey is attending Artistic Endeavours tomorrow to finish dry mounting the signs for the Heritage Room.

Kelsey reported that the William Beatty kindergarten classes have invited

her to come and show some historical artifacts on June 4th, 2012, and to make butter with them.

Kelsey provided the committee with an estimate and samples of the window and door glass protection from Franklin Tint.

Joyce Hopkins provided a written report on file.

Joyce reported that she and Dave Turner hung up the Veteran poster in the Heritage Room.

Joyce painted the door and the wall as previously discussed.

Joyce continues to work on the Orange Lodge display, and some local residents are to be providing artifacts.

Joyce continues to work on the Bisson display, which she hopes will be ready for the summer season.

Joyce reported that the William Hardie family tree has been provided, with a photograph, as well as the history of the Hemlock Church. She has also received a variety of other photographs for display in the Heritage Room.

Joyce reported that she will be continuing to work on the history of the local churches for display in the Heritage Room.

Joyce has had photos of the past Fall Fairs put onto cd, to be viewed in the Heritage Room. Joyce is still in need of early photos of the Fall Fair (pre-1980).

Joyce reported that she has copied most of the articles from the Women's Institute book, so that visitors can peruse them in the Heritage Room, without having to handle the original book.

Joyce reported that she is collecting old news articles on McKellar, and would like any forwarded to her.

Joyce reported that she submitted a receipt for \$81 for the Veteran's poster to the office.

Joyce reported that she continues to look into the liability concerns for an outdoor display. She reported that most small museums have an outdoor display. She said that an important aspect of liability is risk management, through proper signage and fencing. Joyce indicated that she feels that there is more risk with the McKellar trail than there would be with an outdoor exhibit. Joyce is asking that committee members give the concept of an outdoor display some more thought.

Joyce reported that she will be collecting more photos and artifacts from residents over the next couple of weeks.

Joyce provided two DVDs for the Heritage Room, "The Liberation of Holland" and "Vimy Ridge".

Irva Stewart reported that she has some family tree information on several families that she feels that she can pull together for the Heritage Room. Irva reported that she has a quilt that was made (possibly by the Victory Club or the Church) to raise funds for the soldiers. She will be providing some information about the quilt and the quilt itself to the Heritage Room.

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

Moved by Joyce Hopkins, Seconded by Irva Stewart, that the Historical Committee accept the quote of Franklin Tint for \$986.00 for UV/security film, to be applied to the window and door glass of the Heritage Room. (12-12)
Carried.

Motion to be forwarded to Council for final approval at the May 7, 2012 Council meeting.

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.

*digitize photos/records - Kelsey is currently completing.

*plaques - Kelsey has the application for the Ontario Heritage Trust, which will pay 50%, up to \$400, for a plaque. Next steps will be to get some suggested wording for the plaque as well as pricing/suppliers. Kelsey has the application almost complete.

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

*McKellar Elders Book - Joyce continues to work on this.

*Window film - Committee has accepted the Franklin Tint quote of \$986.00. To be forwarded for Council approval.

VIII) **NEW BUSINESS:**

IX) **TASKS TO BE COMPLETED:**

Tamara or Ted to inquire of Council about re-applying for another intern to take over when Kelsey's term is up at the end of August.

X) Moved by Ted Stroud, Seconded by John Moffat, that the McKellar Historical Committee adjourn. (12-13)
Next meeting to be at 6:00p.m. on June 6, 2012 in the Council Chambers.