

## **60<sup>th</sup> PENTWATER HISTORICAL SOCIETY ANNUAL DINNER MEETING**

### **Minutes of the annual general meeting and dinner Wednesday, August 23, 2017**

President Dick Warner called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. He announced to everyone that the PHS float won first place in the Sesquicentennial Homecoming Parade this year. He had George and Cyndy Mikulyuk, who created and built the float, stand so that everyone could give them a round of applause in appreciation of all the hard work they put into the float.

Dick thanked George and Kristi Sadler, owners of Kristi's Pour House, for catering the dinner.

He also thanked the newsletter staff of Bill O'Donnell, Amy VanderZwart and Jim Pikaart for all of their work on the newsletter. Bill will be relinquishing his position to Amy.

Thanks were given to Debbie Deward and her set-up crew for getting tables, etc. ready this morning for the dinner.

Dick reminded everyone to buy a walking tour book that was done by Amy VanderZwart and Bill O'Donnell.

He also reminded everyone to buy a 50/50 ticket, which Jim Gehringer is still selling.

107 tickets were sold for the dinner tonight.

**Treasurer's Report:** Mike Castor gave the annual financial report: Income for last 12 months ending on 7-31-17 was \$35,252. Expenses for last 12 months ending on 7-31-17 were \$31,685. Excess for the year was \$3,567.

Memorials are not included in income. They are sent directly to our Oceana Foundation account.

Funds on hand in checking and savings are \$12,000

Amount in Oceana Comm. Foundation is \$51,000

Total Assets are \$219,250

Two projects were done this year which we had the money for in our capital improvement fund. The money was designated for these projects when the building was bought. The projects were for tuck pointing and brick maintenance on the building and to put a mini-split in the 2<sup>nd</sup> floor balcony area for heating and cooling.

We also had two donations at the end of the year that helped with those projects. The total cost of the two projects was \$10,000. The capital improvement fund is now depleted and the projects were done as planned.

### **Board Nominee Recommendations expiring 8-31-18:**

President – Dick Warner

Vice President – Norm Shotwell

Treasurer – Mike Castor

Secretary – Joan Gehringer

Marketing Director – Jim Lambrix

Museum Director – Ed Bigelow

Membership Director – Sally Ouweneel

Technology Director – Mark Shotwell

Trustees: Amy VanderZwart – term expires 8-31-20

Debbie Deward – term expires 8-31-19

Bob Childers – term expires 8-31-18

A motion was made to close nominations. It was seconded and unanimously approved.

Norm Shotwell has also agreed to be our project manager for future PHS property development as well as our new Vice President.

Father Sam Morrison from St. James Episcopal Church gave the blessing and asked for a moment of silence to honor the passing of the following PHS members in the past year. They were Gladys Elizabeth Pider, Francis M. Mills, Edward Reser, Rhea Ann (Ardrey) Murray, Donald Joel Warner, Dr. Edward Ackerman, and Roger MacLeod.

Dick Warner presented Bill O'Donnell with a special resolution thanking him for all of his years of service with the historical society.

After dinner we had our 50/50 drawing. The winner was Nancy Seton and she won \$110.

Dick then introduced our speaker for the evening, Craig Rich. He is a certified master scuba diver with 45 years of experience diving for shipwrecks throughout the Great Lakes. He has written two books which he is selling tonight and is donating part of the proceeds back to the Pentwater Historical Society. His program is entitled, "Almost Home: The Phoenix Disaster".

After the presentation, Dick reminded everyone that the museum will be open in September and October on Thursday, Friday and Saturday.

Dick thanked all of the volunteers that have hosted at the museum and thanked everyone for coming to the dinner.

Respectfully submitted,  
Joan Gehringer