

PENTWATER HISTORICAL SOCIETY

MINUTES OF THE EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETING

April 7, 2010

Call to order by President Ed Bigelow at 1:00 in the Village Hall Council Chambers.

Roll Call:

Present: Alfiedson, Bailey, Bigelow, Carlin, Childers, Lindstrom, O'Donnell

Also present: Nancy Grant, Karen Way.

Approval of Agenda:

Motion to approve by Alfiedson, second by Bailey and passed.

Approval of Minutes of January 6, 2010:

Motion to approve by Childers, second by Bailey and passed.

Treasurer's Report:

Report by Treasurer Lindstrom is attached. Ken also reported that work on the outline of duties for the new treasurer continues.

Committee Reports:

Administration. Ed Bigelow.

Ed called on Bill O'Donnell about Property Management and Bill reported nothing new. Ed will pursue the question of the cost of installing the Esther Dempsey sign at the Information Booth.

Member Services. Myrna Carlin.

Myrna reported that all is in order for both the Spring and Summer dinners.

The Spring dinner, on May 26th, will feature the popular Swiss steak and chicken menu and the cost to the Society will be \$9 and the ticket cost \$13. Karen Urick will be the speaker.

The Summer dinner, on August 26th, will be the same menu and costs, and Myrna Carlin will be the speaker.

Myrna brought up the fact that persons working on the dinner sometimes incur hefty mileage expenses due to dinner business, and suggested some sort of reimbursement. It was suggested that the IRS reimbursement schedule, and similar material be reviewed and a more specific policy be adopted in the future. A motion was made by Bill O'Donnell to approve reimbursement for mileage incurred in connection with PHs dinners; second by Bailey and passed unanimously.

Bill O'Donnell reported on the quotes costs he'd gotten for printing the placemats. After discussion about designing a new mat, it was decided that due to time constraints we should stick to the current mat, and design a new one in the future. Motion that 500 should be printed with the existing design by Bailey, seconded by Carlin and passed unanimously.

A discussion about the Newsletter led to a reaffirmation by the Board that the Newsletter Committee has the authority to act on matters of format and the like.

Museum. Bob Childers.

A lengthy discussion took place regarding the feasibility of the Society selling postcards of the Interpretive Panels at the museum. Bill O'Donnell reported on tentative cost figures he'd received, but couldn't really proceed further until he had further information about the nature of the card. The general consensus of the Board was that due to their high cost, and the limited traffic in the Museum, and the lack of interest in developing a business plan, it would be better if the PHs dropped the matter.

Bob will report on the status of the organization of Museum duties, clean-up plans and the like at the next meeting.

Old Business:

Karen Way and Bob Childers talked about the Eva Levich material. They found no trace of a written manuscript, and there were three boxes of unorganized material. They have gone through one box and will continue with the other two to see whether they can somehow organize the material.

New Business:

Nancy Grant brought up the possibility of purchasing a CD presentation frame for the Museum. After some discussion it was decided that the idea had merit and was worth exploring. Further information will be gathered for the next Board meeting.

Every two years, the Pentwater Lake Association sends out a free copy of their Newsletter to prospective members to increase their membership. They are about to do this, stressing the fact that one doesn't have to live on the lake to be a member. They would like permission to use our membership roster to gather names for this mailing. There would be no remuneration to the PHS. Motion by Ken Lindstrom to grant this request on a one-time basis, second by Bill O'Donnell, passed with Alfredson, Bailey, Bigelow, Carlin, Lindstrom and O'Donnell voting yes; Childers voting no.

Adjournment:

Meeting adjourned at 3:00 p.m.

Next Meeting Date: May 5, 2010. Village Hall Council Chamber

Respectfully Submitted

Jim Alfredson, Secretary