

PENTWATER HISTORICAL SOCIETY

MINUTES OF THE EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETING

October 3, 2007

The meeting was called to order by President Jim Ege at 1:00 PM in the Pentwater Village Hall Council Chambers.

Roll Call

Present: Lindstrom, Bailey, Bigelow, Childers, Carlin, Ege

Absent: O'Donnell

Guests: Jim Alfredson, Dolly Geers, Nancy Grant

Minutes

The September 6, 2007 Executive Board Minutes were motioned by Ed Bigelow and second by Roger Bailey to accept as presented with the following correction offered by Ken Lindstrom: (Treasurer's Report, line 5 to change the word approve to accept). Motion carried.

Treasurer's Report

Treasurer Ken Lindstrom reported as of 09-30-07 total assets of \$68,042.41, total income of \$2,489.68 and total expenses of \$69.20 with an overall total balance of \$2,420.48 through this period. The total number of society members is 230. Motion to accept the Treasurer's report as presented by Ed Bigelow and seconded by Roger Bailey. Motion carried.

Discussion on Afghan Sales

Ken Lindstrom provided a bar chart that reflected the sales status of Afghans for 2005 through 2007. Afghan sales have lagged the past two years leaving an inventory of 31 Black and Blue and 11 Green and Blue. A suggestion to promote Afghan sales by reducing the price of Black and Blue Afghans for society members to \$65.00. A motion by Roger Bailey and second by Ed Bigelow to sell Black and Blue Afghans for \$65.00 to society members was unanimously approved. Afghan price change is to be included in the next newsletter issue. Afghan project expense is \$6,000.00 and income of \$6,225.00. The bar chart also provided sales status from 2005 through 2007 for History Books, Tour Maps and Society Dinner Tickets.

Project / Task Status

1. Preserve America Committee - Jim Ege informed that both the Pentwater Village and Township have formally approved joining Preserve America. Pentwater Village is expected to submit an application to the State of Michigan this December.

2. Information Booth - Ed Bigelow informed that contractor Travis Viene has met with Jack Witt of Snug Harbor and was unable to develop sufficient information to prepare a bid for repairs to the Information Booth. Jim Ege suggested that further discussion be held with Jack Witt concerning the preparation of a written agreement for eventual ownership of the Information Booth. The Pentwater DDA is to be contacted for their suggestions on the future location of the building. A motion by Ed Bigelow second by Myrna Carlin to form an Information Booth committee with members Bailey, Bigelow and Ege assigned was unanimously approved.

3. Newsletter Committee Members - Jim Ege informed that the following PHS volunteer members are assigned to manage future society newsletters: Sharon O'Donnell Editor, Bruce Bates Photo Editor, Dee Dee Samuels Co Editor, Jim Pichart Graphics Editor and Bob Childers Contributing Editor. Mary Ann Kacynski of the Pentwater Schools will coordinate and provide a student Editor for each future newsletter addition.

4. Collection - Picnic Kook Artifact Jim Ege stated that the society has two of these outdoors grilles that were manufactured under the company name of Rapid Titian located at the now Pentwater Wire Products. These grilles were manufactured between the years of 1946 to 1955. Ken Lindstrom informed that we have three Grilles and or parts. General discussion was held as to the need for three of these grilles and possible consideration to donate to other societies.

5. Miscellaneous - Microfilm Reader & Glass Photo Negatives Jim Ege informed that through contact with Michigan State Historical Society he was advised that it would be acceptable to convert our files to digital, but we should retain the ability to use the microfilm in its current state. The PHS has a total of five sets of Microfilm of which three are located in the Pentwater School, Library and historical society. Jim Ege informed that Bruce Bates has a collection of old Glass Negatives that are in need of being stored in proper archival plastic sleeves. Further contact will be made with Bruce to determine what involvement there could be with the PHS.

Old Business

1. New Museum Building Committee - Members assigned to this committee are: Jim Ege, Dean Gustafson, Ken Lindstrom and Bill O'Donnell. An initial meeting of this committee is to be scheduled in October.

2. Pentwater History Postcards - No Report

3. Pentwater Arts Council - Jim Ege informed that it has been determined that the PHS will not have any involvement with this council.

New Business

1. Display Case at Ceasar's Palette - General discussion held with the understanding that additional evaluation by members should take place before consideration to purchase is made.

2. Pentwater Yacht Club Historical Materials - Jim Alfredson, on behalf of the PYC informed on a concern for maintaining historical yacht club materials. Over the years documents such as pictures, news articles, scrapbooks and other materials have not been properly controlled or maintained by the PYC. As a PYC committee member Jim asked if the PHS would have an interest in the materials. Unanimously the PHS Board was in agreement that such materials would be of value and further coordination as to utilizing the society should take place. Jim will report to the PYC and keep us informed as to further

discussion on this matter.

3. GAR Rock and Plaque - Nancy Grant requested that the GAR Stone and Plaque located on Hancock and Second Street is in need of general maintenance which could be taken care of by the PHS. It is believed that this monument is under the control of the Village. Jim Ege will contact both the Village and VFW for their interest and or involvement in maintaining this monument. Further discussion will be held at the November society meeting.

Other Discussion

1. 2008 Spring and Summer Dinner Meetings to be held at the Pentwater VFW Post 6017 Dates and Times are set for Wednesdays on May 28, 2008 and August 27, 2008 at 6:00 p.m.

2. 2008 General Membership Meeting date is set for July 9, 2008 at 10:00 a.m. in the Village Hall meeting room.

3. PHS 25 Year Celebration date is set for July 9, 2008 at 11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. in the Village Hall meeting room. Event plans will include displays in the meeting room and the museum to be open to the public.

4. Ken Lindstrom showed the board an end piece of a log showing lumbering identification markings that was found on Lake Michigan beach by Ed Pierce. Ed Pierce has donated this item to the museum.

Motion to adjourn by Bailey with second by Carlin. Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 3:08 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Ed Bigelow Secretary