

ST. MICHAEL HISTORICAL SOCIETY MINUTES: December 6, 2010

Bob Zahler, President, called the Board Meeting of the St. Michael Historical Society to order at 7:00 PM at St. Michael City Hall. The directors present were Bob Zahler, Sheldon Barthel, Rose Ann Gindele, Harry Welter, Alfred Zachman, Stephen Barthel, John Jaeb, Wayne Kessler, Lisa Marx, Genny Kieley, Earl Vetsch, and Don Wurst. There were three regular visitors, plus about twenty scouts, scout leaders and parents. Secretary Stephen Barthel read the minutes of the previous meeting. As there were no additions or corrections to the minutes of the previous meeting, they were approved as read.

Reports & Business

President's Comments – Bob Zahler announced that the scouts would be coming in toward the close of the meeting to ask questions. Bob also talked about 'Build-it-Together' committee and their Open House would be this Saturday, December 11, 2010. Assignments were made to have the Historical Society participate. Also discussed was the need to move our meeting date. The new Library Conference Room was recommended, based on availability.

New Business – Sheldon Barthel mentioned that Board Member Chuck Van Heel wanted to resign. Don Wurst was suggested to be his replacement, which he accepted. The motion was made by Sheldon to install Don as the new Board Member. It was seconded by John Jaeb. The motion carried. Sheldon also asked permission to set up the display case. Lisa Marx and Rose Ann Gindele would assist. They would meet on Tuesday or Wednesday of this week. Stephen Barthel was asked to make the change of the address and new phone number on the website. Rose Anne Gindele requested a need for bookmarks and pencils. Sheldon moved that starting Monday, February 14, that our next Historical Society Meeting be held in the Library Conference Room. Lisa Marx seconded the motion, which was passed by the Board.

Treasurer's Report – John Jaeb gave the checkbook balance, as of 23 Sep 2010 at \$6,228.21. With a deposit of \$224.00 and expenses of \$117.16, our balance, as of 6 Dec 2010, stands at \$6,335.05.

Note Cards – Wayne Mosher talked about placing note cards in the display case and add a stand. He suggested that note cards be available for sale through City Hall. In total, \$2,931.00 was collected from sales of the note cards.

Website – Stephen Barthel reported the website visits stand at 55,000+. He also reported that he was in contact with Robert Horton, Minnesota State Archivist, and Jennifer Haselberger, Chancellor for Canonical Affairs, Archdiocese of St. Paul and Minneapolis, regarding restrictions on posting indexes of records. Minnesota has no restrictions on birth, marriage, or death records, but they do not govern restrictions on church records. Since there was overlapping of both records, Stephen Barthel asked Jennifer to clarify what happens if the same record information is duplicated by the State. Stephen never received a response.

Newsletter – Genny Kieley retires in February 2011.

Equipment – The priority list of items needed was discussed.

Announcements – Our next meeting will be held 14 Feb 2011 in the Library Conference Room.

Adjournment - Sheldon made the motion to adjourn the meeting and Lisa Marx seconded the motion. The meeting officially closed at 7:55 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Stephen Barthel, Secretary