

## ST. MICHAEL HISTORICAL SOCIETY MINUTES: July 9<sup>th</sup>, 2012

Bob Zahler, President, called the Board Meeting of the St. Michael Historical Society to order at 7:01 PM in the Library Conference Room, Room 116. The directors present were Sheldon Barthel, Rose Ann Gindele, Brendan Sage, Stephen Barthel, John Jaeb, Wayne Kessler, Matthew Eiyneck, Lisa Marx, Harvey Zahler, Bob Zahler, Harry Welter, Earl Vetsch, and Crystal Sayen. The minutes from the June 12<sup>th</sup> meeting were approved as read.

### Reports & Business

**President's Report** – Bob had nothing to report.

**Treasurer's Report** – The balance was reported to be at \$6,541.14 with a total of \$50.17 in expenses, and \$0.00 in deposits.

**Website** – Stephen reported the number of visitors at 156,818. He also stated that some obituaries have now been linked to images of grave stones in the cemetery index on our website. Stephen is hoping to have the new cemetery part of the website complete by the end of July.

**Media Specialist** – Crystal stated that she was currently working on taking some new pictures to replace the pictures on the headers of the website.

**Newsletter** – Sheldon said that he had most of the newsletter ready to go and was just waiting for Bob to submit his article. Bob said that he had the rough draft complete and would be able to meet the deadline. Sheldon expected to have the next newsletter completed and ready to distribute by the next meeting.

**Membership** – Sheldon reported that there were four new members, bringing the total to one hundred two members.

**Old Business**- Bob shared that he had purchased a hand-held **digital voice recorder**, and that it was ready for anyone to start using for interviews. He purchased it from the Best Buy in Rogers for under the amount allotted to him at the previous meeting.

Bob reported that Earl Bauman confirmed that his restored Farmall C tractor would be available for use during the **Daze and Knights Parade**. Harvey said he would be willing to drive the tractor during the parade. Bob said he would contact Clarence Eull regarding the availability of an old implement to pull behind the tractor.

Bob noted that as of yet the society had not been contacted regarding having a **booth at the Daze and Knights** expo tent but mentioned that he would go online to check on what needed to be done. Last year the cost was around \$85. Wayne made a motion to spend up to \$100 to reserve a space for a booth. Lisa seconded the motion, and the motion carried. Bob reviewed the number of people needed to cover all the shifts at the business expo and asked board members to confirm with him a time slot to work the booth after the meeting.

Bob reported back to the board that the city replied that they did not have any additional room for the storage of large items. Bob also noted that Aggie Hackenmueller confirmed that the scale Torney Marshall was willing to donate was the one used in Vern's Grocery Store and also that she and Vern had purchased it from the previous store owner John Haliger. Since the board already voted to accept the item pending verification that it was used in St. Michael, the board agreed that we should find a spot for it in our office. Bob stated he would make arrangements to have it picked up.

**New Business** –A brief discussion was held regarding whether or not we should hold the **antique appraisal show** again. Lisa said that she will contact Birkeland & Associates to see if they would be interested in doing the appraisal show this year.

**Announcements** –The next meeting will take place August 13<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 PM in the Library Conference Room, Room 116.

**Adjournment** – Matthew motioned to end the meeting. It was seconded by Lisa. The meeting adjourned at 8:23 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Matthew Eiyneck, Secretary