

St. Michael Historical Society Minutes: July 14, 2014

Sheldon Barthel, President, called the Board Meeting of the St. Michael Historical Society to order at 7:00 PM in the Library Conference Room. The directors present were Harvey Zahler, Bob Zahler, Harry Welter, Earl Vetsch, Crystal Sayen, Sheldon Barthel, Rose Ann Gindele, Stephen Barthel, Wayne Kessler, Lisa Marx and Calvin Schoen. The Minutes were read and there were no amendments for clarification.

President's Report – Sheldon had nothing new to report.

Treasurer's Report – John was not present at the meeting but the balance was at \$8315.07. Expenses since the last meeting were at \$0.00 and deposits were at \$0.00.

Website – Stephen reported that he spoke with Joseph Hoover of the Minnesota Historical Society about how the website should be setup. Also, the website's domain name has to be renewed this year. Some possible future changes to the website were that drop down menus could be added so that the website would run more efficiently. Stephen also reported that he has all the memorial cards in one folder.

Media Specialist – Crystal reported that the Catholic Church Jubilee print has arrived. Plans were made to display it at the church festival to see if anyone would be interested in purchasing one.

Public Relations – Crystal had nothing new to add for Public Relations.

Newsletter – Bob reported that the upcoming newsletter was in pretty good shape. Articles going in include the Lions Bierstube, taxes, and memorial cards. Stephen brought up a great article idea about a former priest from the early 1900s who considered St. Michael his home parish.

Membership – Sheldon reported that the society has a total of 98 members.

Curator – Bob reported that he scanned the 1864 property tax records and came across a card advertising the Lions Bierstube from 1967. He also reported that he has been doing some cataloging as well.

Old Business – Wayne Mosher was not at the meeting with his information on mug prices so his information was tabled till next month's meeting. The society's 10 year anniversary is coming this next year and a search for someone to make a print is ongoing. The website's future was discussed as well. Plans were made to have Crystal, Bob, Sheldon, and Stephen meet and further discuss the website. A motion was made to create an ad hoc website committee by Rose Ann and was 2nded by Lisa, the motion carried. The committee would meet on the 18th of July. They would discuss the website's future whether to start over on it or continue to try and fix it. Crystal had some information on a legacy grant that would help the society hire a company to put the website together and maintain it.

New Business – the old timer round table session is going to be after September's meeting. The (show 'n' tell/ what is it?) will be in October. Stephen will speak in November, and Sheldon had a few more ideas for upcoming meetings.

Announcements – The next meeting will take place on August 11, 2014 at 7:00 PM in the Library Conference Room.

Adjournment – Harry motioned to end the meeting, Bob 2nded the motion. The motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Calvin Schoen, Secretary