

ST. MICHAEL HISTORICAL SOCIETY MINUTES: September 13, 2016

Sheldon Barthel, president, called the board meeting of the St. Michael Historical Society to order at 8:15 PM in the basement of the Historic Church of St. Michael following the church tour. Other directors present were John Jaeb, Bob Zahler, Harry Welter, Earl Vetsch, Dan Lenz, Harvey Zahler, Stephen Barthel, Lyle Barthel and Crystal Sayen. The minutes from the August 8, 2016 meeting were approved as read.

President's Report – Sheldon announced that a tour of the "new" St. Michael's Catholic Church has been confirmed for March 13, 2017. Jim Thorpe will give the tour. This evening's tour of the historic church, lead by Mary Ann Eull, was very well attended with approximately 100 guests.

Treasurer's Report – Lisa was absent but sent in a report. The balance as of 8/8/16 was \$11,207.98. Expenses since the last report were \$123.25 and deposits were \$10.00. The current balance is \$11,094.73.

Media Specialist – Crystal had nothing new to report.

Membership – Sheldon noted that latest membership count is at 106.

Curator -Bob noted that he had been contacted by a gentleman from the Luxembourg Society of Minnesota looking for information on former pastor Fr. John Schroeder.

Newsletter – Bob said that he was open to suggestions for articles for the November newsletter and that at this point he intended to investigate country school houses, in particular the Beebe Lake school house currently owned by Roger and Kathy Stoick.

Website -Steve didn't have anything particularly new to report.

Old Timers Interview Committee: Harvey had nothing new to report.

Old Business - Sheldon updated the board on information he researched regarding possible online sale and shipping of our Ken Zylla prints through ebay. After the update, Harry made a motion to sell our prints on eBay for a price of \$80 per print with shipping and handling fees set at \$15 bringing a total cost of \$95 per print. Lyle seconded the motion and the motion passed. Crystal said that she would work with Sheldon to set this up.

Sheldon noted that the society was asked to provide a speaker for a neighborhood gathering and that Bob was willing to do this on September 18th.

The society booth at the St. Michael Parish Festival was well visited. While not especially fruitful in sales, it still seemed a worthwhile endeavor in providing positive exposure for the society.

New Business – There was no new business other than what Sheldon had previously mentioned regarding the tour of the new church in March.

Announcements –The October meeting will be held on Monday, October 10th at 7 PM at the Library Conference Room. The Friends of the Library are hosting a talk by Teddy Roosevelt impersonator and storyteller on October 22nd.

Adjournment – Motion to adjourn was made by Harry, seconded by John, approved by all. The meeting adjourned at 8:42 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Bob Zahler, acting secretary