

Cloyne and District Historical Society

Society General Meeting Minutes

September 18th, 2023 – Barrie Community Hall

The meeting was called to order by President Warren Anderson followed with the singing of O' Canada and a moment of silence.

Ken Hook gave a presentation on the two made for cinema movies filmed in the area: 'Surfacing' and 'The Far Shore'. Several residents from Skootamatta Lake attended as well as Dorothy Pethick who was interviewed in the video.

Approval of the Minutes of May 15, 2023. **Moved by Cathy Newcombe, Seconded by Eileen Flieler** that the minutes be approved as circulated. Carried.

Museum Report: Warren reported that there were some minor challenges with the students this year but overall, it was another successful season. Attendance was about 1100 visitors. Lynn Osborne commented that she hadn't visited the Museum in a long time but found it very tidy and organized. She was thanked for the nice comments.

Speakers' Forum Report: Ian reported that the SF was a good partnership with the Lions and work is underway to continue the program for 2024. There is the possibility of sponsorship for next year. A total of six speakers filled out the program funded by the L&A County Activation Fund. Average attendance was about 60 persons per session.

Farmer's Market Update: Carolyn said sales were good this year although some of the books are getting dog-eared from handling. This will be addressed next season. She appreciates the new canopy supplied by the Lions to help for rainy days.

Treasurer's Report: Balances are as follows: Current Account: \$1819, Reserve Account: \$14187, Endowment Fund: approximately \$100,000. We have paid the students around \$15000-18000 this year with help from the YCW and HODG grants.

Motion by Ian, Seconded by Doc that the Treasurer's report be accepted. Carried.

Patrons Report: Catherine reported there are now 45 Patrons (we lost two but also gained two).

Membership Report: Carolyn reported she will be working with Catherine to convince some long-distance members to become Patrons. We have 52 members with 25-30 being active members.

New Business: Eileen stated the Kennebec Historical Society is trying to arrange a visit to the Museum. She will be working with others to arrange a mutually agreeable date.

Carolyn mentioned that Chris Anstead will be speaking at the October 16th meeting on 'The Rise and Fall of Colonization Roads in Ontario'. Margaret Axford will be speaking September 25th at the LOLCS AGM in Flinton on the history of the Land O' Lakes Community Services and Pine Meadow Nursing Home with Ken Douglas and Joyce Parks. Margaret agreed to speak on the same topic at our November General Meeting.

Christmas Party: Marlean McLean offered to help organize the December 4th CDHS Christmas Party with Carolyn McCulloch. We always look forward to this event.

Next Meeting: October 16th, 2023 at 1 pm, Barrie Community Hall.