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MERRICKVILLE and DISTRICT HISTORICAL SOCIETY
MINUTES of 2018 ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

DATE: Tuesday, November 19, 2019

TIME: 7:00 p.m.

LOCATION: Royal Canadian Legion Local 245, Merrickville, Ontario

	ITEM	DISCUSSION	MOTION/SECONDED
1.0	Call to Order	A quorum being present, and notice duly provided, the meeting was called to order at 7:25 p.m. by Andrew McKay, Treasurer of the Society, who acted as Chair for the AGM. Angela Beking was appointed the secretary for the meeting.	
2.0	Adoption of Agenda	The agenda for the meeting was adopted on a motion by Rod Fournier, seconded by Victor Suthren	M - Rod Fournier S - Vic Suthren Carried
3.0	Minutes of Previous Meeting	The minutes of the previous AGM on November 28, 2017 were approved on a motion by	M – Ann Martin S - Bruce Kemp Carried
4.0	President's Report	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ann Martin discussed the accomplishments for 2019 – 2 years ago was Canada 150, Merrickville Wolford 225 last year. • 9,500 people visited the Blockhouse this summer, coming from all over, from China, Jordan. As a result of our summer donations we were able to forward \$2,500 to the Village of Merrickville-World • Elizabeth Robinson under personal services contract, came back as TITLE. Had someone knowledgeable to train our students and the Friends of the Rideau (students who worked at the Depot). • Consolidated all our Harry McLean things in one area.- yielded us a free room – after the Labour Day weekend, Nancy Warr mounted an exhibit of educational back to school materials that dated from the 1910s and 1920s. Temporary exhibit • Nancy Warr heads the Collections Committee. 10 donors last year, 2 coach oil lamps that were used on a horse drawn hearse in Merrickville-Wolford, belonged to Belle Mills, her father Abraham Lincoln Mills owned the hearse. • Accessed 300 items that were “found in collection” – beginning a huge process of working through mystery items in 	M – Ann Martin S – Angela Beking Carried

		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Inventory of all artifacts on second floor of the Blockhouse, took over 1,800 photographs. All scanned into our database, will be updated into public use terminal at MPL. So anyone who wants to know what is in the collection can go through our collection at MPL. • 2 years ago we packaged up the Merrickville Citizens Band uniforms because of insect and mould damage. Freezer treatment, this summer we repackaged them, think the freezer treatment was successful. • Also started looking at our own records – 3 months, Nancy and Ann, got it in order – will eventually be uploaded into PP • Donations continue 1890 Presbyterian Church records today • Programming at BH • Monthly public lectures – February Tom Graham, Tales from the General Store, Gail Ellison, Angela Beking, Nate Morris, Brockville Ontario Genealogical Society, Robert Costeca. Try to do a wide perspective of topics throughout the year • None of this would be possible without volunteers 1,020 hours put in by volunteers in this Society – working in the BH, meeting the Kawartha Voyageur, responding to research inquiries, sitting on Collections Committee. Special thanks to Greg Eamon, whose hours could not be classified in the DB – works on everything! Thanks to fellow Executive Committee members, administrative and programming decisions. Michael Phillips is our Secretary – did all of our filing with the provincial government this year. Andrew McKay is Treasurer, Jeff Murray VP, Angela VP • Funding partners YCW, Department of Canadian Heritage, Canada Summer Jobs – funding for students and youth ; Province of Ontario for HODGE grant, Village of Merrickville-Wolford for offsite storage and help with payroll.\ • Support of community. Legion Branch 225 – space for monthly lectures and meetings, thank you Lee for such a welcoming place. Donation for Legion built in to ticket tonight • Mary Kate hosts public access terminal • Coba Print Studios – Chris, cheerful, imaginative • Financial • Endowment fund pays operational funds each year, could offset decrease which we believe is coming provincial 	
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5.0	Treasurer's Report 2019	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Financial Statement 2019 • There is a branch receivable that the federal government is still to pay us through YCW and CSJ • Cash in the bank • Ottawa Community Foundation Investment balance is reflected • On liability side, an accounts payable that we owe the Village at this moment, and one cheque that is outstanding • Expenses side – not anticipating getting anything from provincial government but we are hoping. Application in July. Will be investing in a GIC to put the money away and earn some interest, do not have a lot of spending over the next few months • Net assets are starting to decline, partly due to budget • We have \$10,000 we will give to village, \$8,000 from funding, \$2,500 from the donations box in the Blockhouse 	<p>Financial statement M – Andrew McKay S – Cynthia Waldie</p> <p>Carried</p> <p>Budget M – Max S – Rod</p> <p>Carried</p>

		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Part of the reason income and expenses have declined is that after Canada 150 and Merrickville 225, we slowed down a little bit • Out of pocket \$4,000 contribution for a manager for the BH • Of the donations, over \$4,000 – some from boat tours, some from our share of the BH donations, and 2 significant donations from members this year, thanks to them • Budget • BH operations account for 85% of expenses, archive 10%, then programming; federal government 75% income, 10 province, 10 Village • 2018 student who stayed on longer accounts for difference in #s • Motion by Andrew McKay, seconded by Cynthia Waldie, all in favour • Budget questions - \$6000 deficit? Objective is to balance, but this is the projection – have to find more \$ or reduce what we are doing 	
6.0	Election of Directors and Officers	<p>Andrew read the slate of candidates presented by the nominating committee, as listed on the Agenda.</p> <p>Nominations from the floor were requested. Yves Grandmaitre nominated Rod Fournier, seconded Graham Bonham-Carter.</p> <p>Andrew McKay made a motion to include this slate of candidates including Rod Fournier; seconded by Mike Venables. Carried.</p>	<p>M – Andrew McKay S – Mike Venables</p> <p>Carried</p>
8.0	Election of Officers		
9.0	New Business	None	
10.0	Adjournment	The meeting was adjourned at 8:00 p.m.	<p>M – Andrew McKay S - Greg Eamon</p> <p>Carried</p>

President	Ann Martin	Director
1 st Vice-President	Cynthia Waldie	Director
2 nd Vice-President	Angela Beking	
Secretary	Jane Graham	
Treasurer	Andrew McKay	Director