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MINUTES Burk's Falls & District Historical Society Fell Homes, Burk's Falls Monday, July 18, 2022

Members Present: Diane Brandt – President
Nieves Guijarro – Vice-President
Charlene Watt – Secretary
Lorne Main
Judy Ransome

New Member: Jenny Hall

The Members present constituted a quorum.

Call to Order:

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m.
Diane Brandt in the Chair.

Welcome:

Diane welcomed new member, Jenny Hall to the meeting. Regrets from Mike Quinton and Delynne Patterson.

Delegation:

None

Approval & Amendments of the Minutes of the Last Meeting:

Acceptance and adoption of the June 20, 2022 Meeting Minutes as circulated: **Moved by Nieves Guijarro, Seconded by Lorne Main. Carried**

Treasurer's Report:

A written Treasurer's / Financial Report was submitted by Kendra Kellas and presented to Members by Diane Brandt. Main bank account balance was \$12,948.31 on July 18, 2022. Expenses in June included Cheque #227, \$61.57 for toner; Cheque #228, \$1,176.12 for insurance; Cheque #229 \$30.00 to Andrew Hind for history books; Cheque #230 \$54.00 for Heritage Day popcorn. Deposits for June to date totalled \$5,654.55 and include \$5,000.00 from the Village of Burk's Falls, history book sales of \$30.00, membership of \$20.00 and \$604.55 from Heritage Day donations and 50/50 draw. The lottery account balance is \$65.00.



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Motion to accept the Treasurer's report and pay the monthly invoices: Moved by Lorne Main, Seconded by Judy Ransome. Carried

Committee Reports:

Heritage Day Update: Charlene Watt provided a verbal report updating Members on the success of Heritage Day 2022. Every year the attendance grows. Gratitude was expressed to all the volunteers for the day. We missed Mayor Cathy Still as she was not feeling well. McMurrich/Monteith Fire Department won the firefighter challenge for 2022. The vendors market was a success and we hope to continue hosting the attraction. There are areas for improvement that will be addressed in the 2023 celebration. Diane Brandt informed Members that 90 visitors signed the farm house's guest book.

Watt Century Farm House Update:

Diane updated Members to advise the Memory Corner of Elwood Addison is on display. A blurb will be written on the community hero and posted to our website. Diane advised that the farm house is open Thursday to Monday with the hours of 11:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

Wiseman's Corner Schoolhouse Update:

The schoolhouse remains closed at this time. Diane informed Members that the window is not repaired. She attended the heritage site twice last week and continues to visit the schoolhouse on a regular basis. Members discussed the need to recruit a volunteer in Ryerson Township that is able to dedicate regular hours to open the schoolhouse. Members are anxious to have the repairs completed on the building and for the health and safety concerns to be addressed that will allow for the facility to be re-opened.

Correspondence:

None

General Business:

None

New Business:

A table has been reserved by the Historical Society at the Fall Fair. We have been informed that there is no fee this year as we are a non-profit organization. The Historical Society will display a mystery box, hand out newsletters and promote membership. We will post a need for a Ryerson Township volunteer. Volunteers for the day will be determined at the next Historical Society Meeting. Volunteers will be needed from around 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.



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The Charitable Status Income is due at the end of August. Diane will inquire with an accounting business in Huntsville, Liberty Tax about completing the form and update Members next month.

Adjournment:

The next meeting will be held on August 15, 2022 at Fell Homes. There being no further business, **Lorne Main moved to adjourn the meeting at 8:42 p.m.**

Recorded by
Charlene Watt, Secretary

Approved by
Diane Brandt, President