

Tolstoi Holy Trinity Church Historical Society Inc.
Annual General Meeting
Sunday June 4, 2017

1. Call to order:

- Board Chair, Denise Lubiansky, called the meeting to order at 2:10 p.m.
- 11 members were present. (Note: According to our by-laws, 11 members constitute a quorum at a general meeting.)

2. Welcome and introductions:

- Denise welcomed everyone to the fifth AGM of the organization.
- She introduced the current board of directors
 - i. Brent Patten, vice chair
 - ii. Sandra Drewniak, treasurer
 - iii. Morgan Fisher, secretary
 - iv. Monique Mayner
 - v. Teresa Nanka (not able to attend)
 - vi. Marie Probizansky (not able to attend)

3. Presentation of the agenda:

- There were no changes or additions to the agenda
- Denise reminded everyone any changes to the by-laws could only be made at an AGM

4. Minutes from the 2016 AGM:

- Morgan read the minutes from the previous AGM.
- Motion: Morgan Fisher, Joyce Fisher –To accept the minutes as read. CARRIED.

5. Financial Report for the fiscal year ending March 31, 2017:

- Sandra Drewniak presented the financial report for the period from April 1, 2016 to March 31, 2017.
- Current account balance as of March 31, 2017 - \$8,300.81
- Motion: Sandra Drewniak, Joyce Drewniak – To accept the financial report as read. CARRIED.

6. Chairperson's report:

- Organization's activities included:
 - i. Upkeep of Church property
 - ii. Auction sale canteen fundraiser (July 2016)
 - iii. Spaghetti Supper (October 2016)
 - iv. Christmas Bake Sale and Quilt Raffle (November 2016)
 - v. Spaghetti Supper (April 2017)
 - vi. Auction sale canteen fundraiser (May 2017)
 - vii. FCC AgriSpirit Fund grant application
 - viii. Transfer of Church ownership – See notes in “Old Business”
 - ix. Thank you to Joyce Drewniak for supplying refreshments for this meet-

ing.

7. Old business:

- Transfer of Church Ownership and Insurance – Brent took an initiative to communicate with representatives from the Archdiocese and lawyers regarding the transfer. After numerous attempts were made a final meeting took place in May 2017. Brent and Sandra met with the representatives and lawyers to sign final documents. On May 15th the final transfer of the property happened and The Historical Society owns the church. Lawyers were shared by both parties to keep costs lower. For certain events to be held at the church, the Historical Society will seek permission from the Diocese to hold the event.
- Window Restoration - Donations and Plaques – After the windows were re-stored, it was decided that to help alleviate costs the windows would be made available for “purchase”. Cost per window is \$2500. Currently 7 out of 11 windows have been “purchased” by individuals and families. Brass plaques will be put up on the bottom of each window, with the family's desired message. The hope is to have all plaques in place by August for the 2017 Tolstoi Homecoming.
- AMM - Canada 150 Exhibit– An AMM museum book will be published for Canada 150 showing items from museums across Canada. Jo-Anne spoke of the pillow and chalice that were submitted from the Kwiatkowski Family. These items were chosen as the church was the centre of life in Manitoba.
- Collections Management Policy– There has been no feedback regarding the policy of how the Historical Society will collect and manage items. The Historical Society will adopt it as their formal policy. The policy will be reviewed every 4 years.

- Church Repairs- Priorities and Grant Application – The current priority is to repair the roof and paint the exterior of the building. The Historical Society did not receive the Canada 150 Grant. Waiting on confirmation from the application of the FCC Grant.
- Other Old Business - Nothing Added

8. New Business -

- By-law changes – Look into the different levels of historical importance between municipal and federal levels.
 - i. Jo-Anne Drewniak, Monique Mayner – Change the operating name of the organization to better reflect the objectives of the organization through a consultation with members with the final decision being made by the board. CARRIED.
- Facility Management Policy – Log books will be kept of the maintenance that needs to be done and what is to be completed. They will include how to open and close the church in the spring and fall. A draft will be posted online for a year with the plan to adopt it at next year’s AGM.
- Tolstoi Homecoming - Saturday, August 26, 2017 – There has been some progress made cleaning up the town by all the town’s different organizations. The first clean up occurred on May 27. The next cleanup will take place June 17th at 10:00 AM. For the homecoming, the Historical Society is in charge of the following:
 - i. Registration and info booth/photo booth
 - ii. Open house (at the church)
 - iii. Walking tour of Tolstoi
 - iv. Children’s activities
 - v. Classic car show
- Fundraising:
 - i. Christmas bake sale - November 2017
 - ii. Spaghetti Supper - Spring 2018 - will no longer hold a fall one as it competes against fall suppers
 - iii. Book Sales - there are still some books available
 - iv. Quilt Raffle - there are two more quilts that can be used for future raffles
 - v. Cookbook - the board of directors will investigate further
 - vi. Calendar - the board of directors will investigate further

9. Election of directors:

- Morgan Fisher, Theresa Nanka and Brent Patten have one year remaining on their two-year term.
- Sandra Drewniak, Denise Lubiansky, Monique Mayner and Marie Probizansky have completed their two-year terms.
- Nominations:

- Sandra Drewniak, Monique Mayner – nominated Orest Kuryk
- Joyce Drewniak, Joyce Fisher – nominated Sandra Drewniak
- Joyce Fisher, Brent Patten – nominated Monique Mayner
- Jo-Anne Drewniak, Orest Kuryk – nominated Denise Lubiansky
- Motion: Jo-Anne Drewniak, Ed Kelsey – Move that nominations cease. CARRIED.
- Nominated persons accepted their nominations.
- The 2017-2018 board of directors will be: Denise Lubiansky, Sandra Drewniak, Orest Kuryk, and Monique Mayner in the first year of their two year terms and Morgan Fisher, Brent Patten and Theresa Nanka in the second year of their two-year terms.

10. Adjournment:

- Joyce Fisher, Monique Mayner – Move that the meeting be adjourned. CARRIED.
- The meeting adjourned at 4:00 PM.

Submitted by Morgan Fisher