

Tolstoi Holy Trinity Church Historical Society Inc.
(o/a Tolstoi Heritage Centre)
Annual General Meeting
August 30, 2021

1. Meeting called to order at 7:35 p.m.

Chair, Denise Lubiansky, welcomed the membership to the annual general meeting.

Attending directors (6): Denise Lubiansky (chair), Brent Patten (vice-chair), Sandra Drewniak (secretary-treasurer), Wayne Arseny, Angela Smook, Bev DeMontigny.

Absent directors (1): Rene Robidoux.

Six other members also attended, establishing a quorum.

Note: According to our bylaws (filed with the provincial corporations branch), an AGM must be held within 90 days after fiscal year end. Because of the Covid19 pandemic, the Province of Manitoba enacted a state of emergency that amended the Corporation Act to allow for phone or zoom meetings (but not for an extension to the meeting deadline). However poor internet service and members without access did not allow us this option. Instead, we held the meeting as soon as health regulations allowed.

2. There were no additions to the agenda.
3. Sandra read the minutes from the last annual general meeting held on September 27, 2020. **Motion to accept the minutes as read: Sandra Drewniak/Angela Smook. Carried.**
4. Chairperson's report: Due to health regulations, our board has not been able to meet in person since the last AGM. (However, we discovered we could still make decisions using email.) Postponed or cancelled events included the strategic planning session as well as all of our fundraising events. We were fortunate to qualify for the Manitoba Bridge Grant program. Completed projects included the replacement of two porch windows, a custom-built well cover, a reorganization of the garage, an inspection of the furnace, and the purchase of a used fridge, filing cabinet and serving cart. We are also thankful for donations of cash and of goods – the Tolstoi Pool Hall pool table, a Christmas display, the original telephone for the phone booth, and miscellaneous other items for sale or raffle.
5. Sandra presented the annual financial report (April 1, 2020 to March 31, 2021). Bank balance at March 31, 2021 was \$14,058.22. **Motion to accept the financial statement as presented: Sandra Drewniak/Bev DeMontigny. Carried.**

Sandra also presented an informal financial report for the period from April 1, 2021 to July 31, 2021. There were no fundraising events during this period. The only revenue was the fourth Manitoba Bridge grant (\$5000). The major expense was the porch window project (\$892). Bank balance was \$17,323.03. Outstanding payables are at \$550.

6. Old business
 - a. Post office barn – The barn's dimensions are 12'x16'x16' high. The plan is to move the building onto our property this fall. If it survives the move, a foundation will be built and the building settled on it.
 - b. Other old business – None

7. New business
 - a. Bylaw changes – None
 - b. Fundraising – Tabled due to uncertainty of health regulations.
 - c. Future projects – General discussion regarding these projects emphasized a variety of opinions regarding priority. The consensus was a directors’ planning meeting is required.
 - d. Other new business – none

8. Election of four directors:
 - a. Denise Lubiansky nominated by Wayne Arseny, seconded by Jo-Anne Drewniak
 - b. Sandra Drewniak nominated by Angela Smook, seconded by Bev DeMontigny
 - c. Bev DeMontigny nominated by Brent Patten, seconded by Joyce Drewniak
 - d. Angela Smook nominated by Jo-Anne Drewniak, seconded by Mary-Ann DrewniakAll candidates accepted their nominations.

Motion that nominations cease: Joyce Drewniak/Jo-Anne Drewniak. Carried.

Directors entering their second year of a two-year term: Rene Robidoux, Wayne Arseny, Brent Patten.

Directors entering their first year of a two-year term: Denise Lubiansky, Sandra Drewniak, Angela Smook, Bev DeMontigny.

9. Motion to adjourn at 8:20 p.m.: Angela Smook

**Sandra Drewniak
Secretary-Treasurer
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