

Minutes East Wawanosh 150th Anniversary

March 7, 2017

Present: Reunion Chair Jamie McCallum, Secretary Joan Vincent, Elaine Snell, Jonathan VanCamp, Ray Hallahan, Alice McDowell, Melanie Pletch, Linda Logan, Heather Shiell, Margaret Vincent, Allan Walker, Kim Walker, Roger Hopper, Marvin Cook, Lila Rintoul, Vicky Bremner, Amelia Pletch, Ben Pletch, Alex Blair, Neil Vincent, Chad Kregar, Brad Hodgkinson, Trevor Hickey, Eric Mulholland, Chris Michie, Steve Nixon, Sylvia Nonkes-Verburg, Matt Beck

Welcome: Chair Jamie McCallum welcomed everyone to the meeting

Motion to approve the minutes of the February 7, 2017 meeting was made by Melanie Pletch and seconded by Jonathan VanCamp. CARRIED.

Financial Report given by Joan Vincent and listed separately.

Motion to pay the bills made by Linda Logan and seconded by Lila Rintoul. CARRIED.

Motion to approve financial report made by Ray Hallahan and seconded by Margaret Vincent. CARRIED.

Joan provided information about the Bruce Power 150th application that was submitted applying for funding for a Fireworks Display.

Members of the Wingham Firefighters Association and the Fire Department of North Huron were in attendance. Plans were discussed for them to do the Sunday morning breakfast. The Firefighters will plan the menu, order the supplies and prepare the food. The Kinsmen who are doing the Saturday Breakfast and the Firefighters will work together sharing equipment and supplies. The Reunion Committee will pay all bills and make a donation to the Firefighters after the Reunion. The Wingham Firefighters Association could bring in Blyth Firefighters if they need more assistance. It was decided to run the Sunday Breakfast from 8 am – 12 noon in the arena and the Church Service will be in the tent.

Firework information was also provided. The Fireworks for the Wingham July 1 Fireworks and any Fireworks for the East Wawanosh 150th could be ordered as one order and possibly get a better deal. Any ordered Fireworks could not be returned. An order would not need to be submitted until the end of May. There would need to be licensing and a discussion with the Councillors. A possible site would be the old ball park or the basketball area. Local Landowners and the Fire Department of North Huron would need to be contacted. \$5000 would do a low level display.

It was expressed that it is hoped that the Blyth and Wingham Fire Stations would be able to participate in the Reunion Parade. Letters of Information and invitation will be sent to them.

Thanks was expressed to the Firefighters before they left.

The offer was made that Dave Franken's bus can be used for the weekend of the Reunion. Dave will drive it on the Friday. The plan is to travel in a 15 km radius. Dave is fine with Leo Bridges driving it on the Saturday and Sunday. Dave will pay Leo to drive it.

Church Service – It was decided that there would be no demand for a lunch after the Church Service with the Breakfast going until lunch time. Those planning the Church Service will see about a keyboard and special music possibly including Paul Laidlaw.

Fundraising – Ray has tickets for the raffle.

Whoever gets the tickets are responsible for returning money or tickets to Ray. The tickets are at several locations and Ray has posters if anyone wants any. Everyone is to push the ticket sales.

There is nothing new about the Registration packages.

History Book – The Designer is away for a month. There is more proof reading. Try to have it as perfect as possible before it goes to the Printers.

A motion to pay mileage to Linda Logan and Sylvia Nonkes-Verburg for history book work was made by Neil Vincent and seconded by Matt Beck. CARRIED.

There was some discussion regarding number of books to order and the Printer being used. The books are selling for \$50. No motions were made.

Souvenirs – T-shirts and Sweat Shirts have been ordered. More blue were ordered than grey and they will be about 6 – 8 weeks.

Maintenance – Matt Beck gave out some hard copies of the proposed site plan that he had previously emailed. He explained the site plan. Matt recommended cancelling the dance floor that has been booked through Burkes as it is not needed when the area is on pavement. (A motion was later made by email by Margaret Vincent and seconded by Vicky Bremner that the dance floor be cancelled. CARRIED.) There will be a number of picnic tables and a location for a souvenir table near the bar. Can review the site plan at the next meeting if there is a desire to do so. No Smoking Signs will be required. Suggested having two return areas out of the bar area of the beer tent.

Discussions as to where to have people dropped off as there will be no parking at the site. The registration will be in the Community Centre. Decide the parking first and leave the wheelchair accessible parking near the Community Centre. Chris Michie and Marvin Cook will help Matt. Joan will email the fire safety template to Matt. Any suggestions of changes are to be sent to Matt before the next meeting.

Vicky will approach Threshers to see about people movers.

Ray asked about chairs which are probably not a problem. Find out the numbers.

There was a consensus to have a larger beer garden with a south entrance and not have one at the pavilion.

Children's Activities – Megan will contact Margie about the Activities and has Amanda Hoover willing to assist. They will get together.

Bar -There have been a lot of expressions of interest in bar tending. Jonathan will set up a schedule of shifts 1 – 1 ½ months before the Reunion.

After some discussion about refrigeration trailers, it was decided to leave it with Jonathan for both the bar and if there is a need for one for food.

The Saturday Breakfast will run from 7 am to 10 am. There may be lots of take out for the parade. The menu will be a standard Kinsmen Breakfast.

Jason was contacted and will provide an update. It was said that food arrangements are booked.

Lila – got table cloth in green and blue and has to get gold yet. She will put white on and then a half width of colour on top. She will decorate for the pageant. Lila has approximately 250 bows made. Put information about the bows on the website.

An offer has been made to get some full size Canadian flags to display at the Reunion.

Beard Growing – 10 entrants and a Judge confirmed.

Art & Photography – The Committee have a couple of people to ask for judges. They are putting mini-ads into the paper and flyers into mailboxes.

Publicity – Poster and pamphlet

Quotes for town signs were discussed. The signs quoted were 30 inch by 16 inch reflective metal signs. Four businesses were approached and 2 submitted quotes. The quotes were discussed. Lila Rintoul made a motion seconded by Melanie Pletch that four signs be purchased from Blyth Printing.

CARRIED.

It was reported that Jason Rutledge has everything pretty well set up over food and would send out an email update.

Margaret and Amelia have a couple of others helping. The Sponsorship Package can be emailed or hard

copies distributed. For advertising the company name, logo and money are required.

Parade – Melanie Pletch and Marvin Cook volunteered to Chair the Parade. Areas to start the parade, pipe bands and Shriner Groups were discussed. Registration forms to be created.

Parking – Matt will look after signage, direction, and lots. Joan will email Auburn Lions to see what is needed. The volunteers for parking should be rotated rather than long shifts.

Golf Tournament – great response to the prize table

Burkes – sponsor a \$10,000 hole in one prize

Steve is putting up posters at golf courses.

Ambassador – ad in the Citizen and Advance-Times for the next three weeks

School Reunion – nothing

Other – pamphlet – mailing to people

Margaret and Amelia talk to a couple of graphic designers including Heather Logan

Email times and routes for next meeting

Ball Tournament – Ben Pletch – Budget was discussed

11 games are planned with \$150/team for registration and guaranteed 3 games per team

Umpires, possible prizes and necessary supplies were discussed. Ben will work on registration forms, email them out and then they can go on the website. Three teams have currently expressed an interest. Plan on two games on the Friday night.

Ornaments are ordered and other options will be presented at the next meeting.

Margaret will check with McGavins about a Bobcat or two for the weekend.

If the Community Centre is available, the next meeting will be Tuesday, April 4, 2017 and the following

meeting will be Tuesday, April 25, 2017. Both meetings will be at 7 pm. After that, the meetings will go to two week intervals.

Motion to adjourn made by Alice McDowell and seconded by Linda Logan.

CARRIED.

FINANCIALS

Balance as of Feb. 28, 2017	\$17,609.03
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Outstanding cheque	Sylvia Nonkes-Verburg	\$ 308.35
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\$17,300.68

Calendars

Income	\$5140.
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Expenses	\$5372.05
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Bills to be Approved

Blyth Printing (raffle tickets)	\$94.60
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(raffle posters)	\$ 5.42
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\$100.02

Neil Vincent -Beard Growing Contest

(Wingham-Advance Times)	\$43.39
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(The Citizen)	\$55.60
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\$98.99

Lila Rintoul decorating	\$83.60
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Ray Hallahan (raffle license	\$120.00
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Karli June Purcell (band deposit)	\$200.00
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