

## **ST. MICHAEL HISTORICAL SOCIETY MINUTES: February 1, 2010 – St. Michael City Hall**

President Rose Ann Gindele opened the meeting at 7:03 PM. There were 6 guests present and 9 board members. Board members present were: Sheldon Barthel, Rose Ann Gindele, Stephen Barthel, John Jaeb, Wayne Kessler, Earl Vetsch, Harry Welter, Alfred Zachman, and Bob Zahler.

Sheldon Barthel read the **Minutes** of the previous meeting with a motion by Bob Zahler to approve, seconded by Harry Welter. Motion carried.

Under **Correspondence**, Rose Ann mentioned that we received the MN History Quarterly Magazine and the History Matters flyer. We also received the Hanover Historical Newsletter. We received 1 new membership and 2 renewals prior to the meeting and so far have received 5 renewals at this meeting. We received a donation (\$100) from the family of Bernard Hackenmueller, in memory of Bernard Hackenmueller.

In her **President's Report**, Rose Ann handed out summary copies of her review of meetings and activities for 2009. She also asked for comments and gave comments on Bob Zahler's new book. Many comments were made and all seemed to be quite positive.

John Jaeb gave the **Treasurer's Report**. As of 11-05-09, checkbook balance was \$6,099.90. Since that time there were deposits of \$230 and expenses of \$441. Balance as of the beginning of this meeting was \$5,888.90.

**Committee Reports:** Website – Bob Zahler, Sheldon Barthel, and Steve Barthel each gave individual reports on their progress from the training by Emily Hamlet of Ad-LAN in editing the website. As of now, we are pretty much able to make updates as needed, but there is still much more to learn and mention was made that at some time in the future we will need to get younger members involved so we can continually keep on top of the technology.

Wayne Mosher was not present for a Note Card Report, but called in that there was no change from the previous report.

Bob Zahler reported on Membership and said he has mailed out notices. He said postage and envelopes came to \$19.32 for this purpose. Sheldon Barthel made a motion to pay this bill, seconded by Harry Welter. Motion carried.

Under Newsletter, Genny Kieley was not present, but told Rose Ann the Newsletter is just about ready to be printed.

Under **Unfinished Business**, discussion was had on whether there is an availability of grants to furnish our room in the new St. Michael City Hall. Also in the discussion was to find out whether the city would be purchasing new furnishings for their area, and if so, would their old items be available for our usage?

It was decided by consensus to table until a later date. Rose Ann offered to check with the city to see if any of the old furniture or office equipment would be made available.

Under **New Business**, Bob Zahler was mentioned as a speaker for our March meeting. It was decided to hold the March meeting at 6:30 PM and have Bob speak at 7:00 PM about his new book and other historical events from St. Michael's past. After Bob's agreeing to do so, the board approved the program by consensus.

Also, by consensus, Wayne Kessler was appointed as chairman of the nominating committee for our April (Annual Meeting) elections. Any member interested in running for one of the 5 board positions up for election is encouraged to contact him to have their name placed on the ballot.

There being no further business, Harry Welter made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Steve Barthel. Motion carried.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:58 PM.

Respectfully submitted,  
Sheldon Barthel  
Secretary