St. Michael Historical Society Minutes: June 4, 2007

Meeting was called to order at 6:33PM by President Rose Ann Gindele. Board members present were: John Jaeb, Wayne Kessler, Lisa Marx, Earl Vetsch, Harry Welter, Alfred Zachman, Bob Zahler, Sheldon Barthel, Clarence Eull, Mary Ann Eull, Rose Ann Gindele, and Genny Kieley. Minutes of the May 7th meeting were read. Motion was made by Harry Welter, seconded by Bob Zahler, to approve minutes as read. Motion carried.

President Gindele informed the board of her conversation with Cindy Weston, who is in charge of the summer city celebration. Cindy stated that information about the celebration would be sent by postcard in the near future and an application for us to fill out and return to her. She would like to encourage us to participate in this celebration.

Rose Ann also informed us that Tim Glines, Manager of Outreach Services, is retiring from the Mn. State Hist. Society. The State Society each year sends out an annual survey to the local chapters, to keep them informed of what's going on at the local level. This year Bob Zahler and Rose Ann Gindele have volunteered to complete our annual survey together.

Treasurer's report was made by Rose Ann. No deposits and no expenses since the last meeting. Checkbook balance is the same as last month, \$2,756.78.

Wayne Mosher reported on the Historic Note Card Project. He has left with Sandy Johnson 20 boxes at Premier Bank in Albertville, 10 boxes each at the Roy Simms Library and Senior Citizens Center of which both will receive \$3 for each box sold as a fundraiser. 10 boxes were also left with Virginia at the Chiropractor and 10 more at the St. Michael City Hall. Board members volunteering to sell were also given 10 boxes each. Wayne stated that the boy scouts were not interested in selling the Cards as a fundraiser due to the low profit margin. He did, however, suggest that the Catholic youth going to Australia next summer might be interested in selling these as a fundraiser. A further report will be given on the sale progress at the next meeting.

Rose Ann suggested we have a July meeting due to the potential of participating in the city festival, which will be held on August 17, 18, and 19. After much discussion, the board decided to schedule the next meeting for Monday, July 9th.

Genny Kieley reported that the spring newsletter has been mailed and that plans for the summer newsletter mailing will probably take place some time in August.

Under new business, Bob Zahler reported that Kay Knolls, a science teacher at the high school, is working on The Pelican Lake Project, focusing on this unique resource in western St. Michael. She is interested in receiving stories, photos, and information on the lake from the past, especially the years of the great droughts from the '30's.

Also under new business, Harry Welter submitted a letter of resignation as Treasurer but will continue on as a board member. Sheldon Barthel made a motion to accept his resignation and appoint John Jaeb as replacement for the balance of the fiscal year. Motion seconded by Bob Zahler. Motion carried.

There being no other business, and due to the program by author Doug Ohman to follow, motion was made by Bob Zahler and seconded by Earl Vetsch to adjourn. Motion carried.

Respectfully Submitted Sheldon Barthel Secretary