

Railway Heritage Museum Committee Monday, April 23, 2018 1:00 p.m. Palmerston Ag. Society Boardroom

Committee Members Present: Mayor George Bridge, Councillor Judy Dirksen, Delanie Toner, Bob McEachern, Chad Martin, Susan Welsh, Wayne Martin Staff Present: Belinda Wick-Graham, Taylor Keunen County of Wellington Staff Present: Hailey Johnston, Sandu Sindile

- 1. Call to Order at 12:58 pm by Mayor Bridge
- 2. Minutes of Previous Meeting
 - a. Minutes of March 19, 2018

MOTION

Moved by: Chad Martin and Seconded by: Bob McEachern THAT the minutes of the March 19, 2018 Railway Heritage Museum Meeting be approved.

Carried

- 3. Committee Minutes for Approval
- 4. Roundtable Discussion
 - a. Update on Students

Wick-Graham announced that the town was successful with the grant for another museum student for 12 weeks from the end of May to the middle of August. She shared that two students applied for the position and that interviews would be held within the week. Wick-Graham reported that Felix Weber will start work on Thursday May 5, 2018 and that they

would be ordering the newest version of Past Perfect. Chad shared that he spoke with Karen about working with the students and hosting training at the Wellington County Museum in May. Wick-Graham noted that there was now a laptop and printer upstairs that are backed up by the Town of Minto server.

b. Budget/Project Update

Al shared that the budget was essentially the same as reported at the previous meeting. He noted the following projects: Old 81 to be painted and stairs and a platform built by the At Risk Youth class for the cook car and caboose. He also noted that the windows in the baggage shed would need to be replaced, along with the flooring and some other projects leading into the fall.

c. Volunteers

Wick-Graham noted that the Handcar Races would be taking place on Saturday June 23, 2018 and that the Committee would be meeting again soon. She shared that the bar staff would be covered and that the Minto 91Run would be taking place in the Lions' Heritage Park in the morning. She informed the Committee that volunteers would be needed to help for the races, marshalling and cover the registration booth. Wick-Graham noted that 5 volunteers would be needed in addition to the 3 students from 12:00 pm – 5:00 pm that day. She also informed the Committee that Felix would be away the week of July 1-7 and that the additional student would be able to help with this. George pointed out that when the students were done for the summer, it would be nice to extend the hours into the fall by being open on weekends.

d. Handcar Races Update

Wick-Graham shared that there was \$1600 confirmed in sponsorships for the event. She said that the plan was to have posters and brochures ready by the first week of May to promote. Wick-Graham highlighted that youth would be free this year with other teams paying \$100 - \$150. She shared that the optimist were interested in doing the breakfast.

5. Reports

a. Exhibition Committee

Chad noted that the Committee met prior to the current meeting to view the storage upstairs and will look into deciphering what would be transferred and what would be stored in the archives. He noted that Norwell would get the first look at the collection and suggested connecting with Norwell to make it an extracurricular activity within the History Department. Hailey stated that the student from the County of Wellington Museum could assist with training the new students prior to May 9, 2018.

6. Adjournment at 1:37 pm by Mayor Bridge