



ALGOMA TOWNSHIP HISTORICAL SOCIETY MINUTES OF JANUARY 5, 2012

The January 5, 2012, meeting of the Algoma Township Historical Society was held at the Chalmer's Building. President Sjogren called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m. followed by the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

Present: President Julie Sjogren, Secretary Rita Morgan, Treasurer Laural Walkons, Trustees: Agnes Brown and Irene Lamphear; also present Paul Smith, Sherman VanDyke, Ed Ingersoll. Absent: Vice President, Dale Darling

Irene Lamphear made a motion supported by Agnes Brown to approve the Agenda as presented. Motion passed.

Approval of Minutes:

Laural Walkons made a motion supported by Irene Lamphear to approve the minutes of December 1, 2011, as presented. Motion passed.

Treasurer's Report:

Treasurer Walkons reported the following balances: Checking Account \$1,005.90; the Savings Account \$3,222.13; and the Veteran's Fund \$2,239.94. Treasurer Walkons reported that she will be working on the Budget for presentation to the Township Board and that it will include the cost of the Pine Island Bridge Historical designation which will be at an anticipated approximate cost of \$2,000.00 and various office supply needs. The Veteran's Fund will be used to purchase bricks for the four Civil War Vets that we will be honoring at our Memorial Day celebration; also, AHS will be checking into purchasing a cement bench at the Memorial site.

Gordon & Sharon Pickerd have paid for a lifetime membership.

Agnes Brown made a motion supported by Paul Smith to approve the Treasurer's Report as presented. Motion passed

Correspondence Sent & Received:

Newsletters from local Historical Society's were presented for review.

Committee Reports:

Publications Committee: Newsletters were put together for mailing today.

Library & Museum Committee: Nothing to report this month.

Old Business:

Pine Island Bridge Historical Designation: President Sjogren has submitted the paperwork to the State once again. She has the original application but is now lacking

the maps. The State office that is now handling this process has changed since the 2010 election and our submission of documents has been misplaced. She will resend.

Memorial Day: We will be honoring our Civil War Soldiers and the Township Clerk's office has a list of burials which we can use to contact any family members still in our area. President Sjogren will follow up.

R.A.M. Update: The Rockford Area Museum will be hosting a Frank Sinatra concert to raise funding for the museum project. Meetings are being held to coordinate funding and information.

New Business:

Our April Annual Meeting will be held on the 3rd Saturday and will feature speaker Ron Rademacher who will present stories of Kent County and Western Michigan towns and cities that were once in existence but have disappeared.

Next Meeting:

The ATHS next meeting will be on Thursday, February 2, 2012 at 9:00 A.M. at Chalmers.

Adjournment:

Agnes Brown made a motion supported by Irene Lamphear to adjourn the meeting. Motion passed. The meeting adjourned at 10:10 a.m.

Respectfully submitted:

Rita Morgan, Secretary
(submitted by Laural Walkons)