

# Beaver Island Historical Society

*Board of Directors*

*Meeting Minutes*

June 26, 2023, 10:00am – Print Shop Museum Conference Room

## PRESENT:

- Angel Welke
- Tracy Pacquin
- Alan Vicstein
- Jacque LaFreniere
- Narhyn Johnson
- Joe Callian
- George Broder
- Craig Turnbull
- Sue Screven
- Lori Taylor-Blitz

## ABSENT:

- Sheri Timsak

## Call To Order:

- The meeting was called to order at 10:01am. Quorum was verified.

## Agenda:

- Motion by Pacquin, second by Broder to approve agenda. Unanimous.

## Minutes:

- Review and approval was tabled to next meeting. N. Johnson will finalize and circulate these documents ASAP to all board members.

## Reports of Officers and Committees:

- *President – A. Welke*
  - Welke announce the resignation of board member Vince Ebersolt. Vince assured Angel that he would continue to participate and help the BIHS as much as needed. He does not have the time or flexibility to attend meetings and wants to allow others to join the board.
  - Discussion of the size of board took place. BIHS by-laws specify board can have 5-13 members. Currently there are 10 board members.

- Additional discussion about filling seats will occur at future meetings.
- *Treasurer – J. LaFreniere*
  - Financial report was reviewed.
  - Motion by Pacquin, second by Screven to accept financial report as presented and discussed. Unanimous.
- *Development Committee – S. Screven*
  - Screven reported she has been working on cleaning up address lists and has removed many duplicates.
  - Currently 1,000+ names on the address list.
  - 400 active members of BIHS.
- *Museum Operations – T. Pacquin*
  - It has been posted that only service dogs are allowed in museums.
  - Discussion of Currach storage occurred. All agreed it is a good fit to have historic Irish vessel associated with museum.
  - BIHS loaned townships for an event. Many positive comments have been received about tables, and how nice Heritage Park looks.
  - Pacquin reported she will review open / close procedures with docents regarding locking doors.
  - LaFreniere reported that V2 of family history is completed and will be printed soon. 200 copies to be printed. Work continues on future volumes.
- *Publications Committee – G. Broder*
  - Broder reported third edition was being printed and 4<sup>th</sup> edition is underway.
  - Great deal of public support.
  - Broder asked that a Publications Committee be formed.
  - Meg Anderson has been retained to help with advertising and circulation of Northern Islander.
  - Motion by Welke, second by Pacquin to establish committee with Broder, LaFreniere, Taylor-Blitz. Unanimous.
  - Discussion of retaining Jeff Kazmierski to develop and publish one issue of the Beaver Beacon with a publication goal by November 2023. This will be a trial issue. Broder presented that the issue will be financially self-supporting with advertising and sales. Motion by LaFreniere, second by Welke. Unanimous.
- *Maintenance Committee – J. Callien & C. Turnbull*
  - Turnbull reported on projects undertaken.
  - Several board members reported positive feedback on Heritage Park.
  - The new door handle in Print Shop might need adjusting.
  - Discussion occurred regarding maintenance at S. End lighthouse. Reminder that the maintenance of that is the responsibility of Charlevoix County.
- *Marketing Committee – N. Johnson*

- Johnson reported on recent events including using herbs from pollinator garden for recent events.
- Johnson updated on museum week planning.
- Johnson is going to circulate a volunteer sign up sheet for board members for Museum Week.
- Director's Report – L. Taylor-Blitz
  - Report attached.
  - Director responded to questions about her report.
  - Welke commented that the written report does not accurately convey the sheer amount of work that is occurring!
- Good for the Society
  - Taylor-Blitz reminded all to check out the pollinator garden.
- Next meeting:
  - Next meeting is BIHS Annual Meeting August 17, 2023, 7pm at Print Shop Museum
- Adjournment:
  - Motion by Welke, second by Broder to adjourn. Unanimous.

Respectfully submitted,

Angel Welke