**OLD MISSION PENINSULA HISTORICAL SOCIETY**

**MINUTES -MARCH 2ND,2017**

**P**  **PROGRAM:** Collecting Veterans’ Oral Histories for Submission to the Library of Congress presented by John Scarbrough and Terry Collins. Thank you for the excellent presentation. The website for the Veterans History Project is: <http://www.loc.gov/vets/> .

**ATTENDANCE**: Karen and Chris Rieser, Judy Weaver, Ann Swaney, Terry Collins, John Scarbrough, Bill and JoAnn Cole, Loren and Carol Thorson, Jim Brammer, Laura Johnson, Amy and Brad Lyman, Jim Hall, Marty and Anita Klein, Anne Griffiths, Allen Glen (?) and Ellen Kerr.

Ann Swaney, Vice President, called the business meeting to order at 8:15 p.m.

**BUSINESS MEETING:**

**February Minutes**: were approved with the addition of an “r” to John Scarbrough’s name.

**Treasurer’s Report**: Ellen Kerr – Checking account - $4,320, Month’s Income - $410, Monthly Expenses - $1,656, Savings - $2,057, Tree Fund - $4,500, Walter Johnson Fund for the Log Cabin-$231 and approximately $1,300 in the Log Cabin Fund with the Township ( when the final determination is made Ellen will ask for 25% ) and we received a $750 donation from the Women’s Club in addition to a $100 donation in memory of Julianne Meyer for use on the Replica Church.

**A motion was made to create a Julianne Meyer Memorial Fund.** The motion was approved. The Julianne Meyer Memorial Fund has a balance of $850.

**COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

Archives & Newsletter – Ann Swaney - Newsletter coming soon.

Program Committee – Judy Weaver – Michigan Barn Preservation Network will present at April’s meeting.

Dougherty House – Bill Cole – Developing plans for summer work, have met with the plasterer and are getting ready to plaster.

Log Cabin – Marty Klein – windows are done and ready to be put back in. **Save the date: April 22nd for opening the cabin.**

Tree Committee – Jim Hall - We have planted 517 trees, - 202 of them are Memorial Trees. Last year we planted 20 trees – 15 were replacement trees – 5 new. Last year we planted eight memorial trees and this year we have six. We will replace 25 trees this spring.

Lighthouse – Anne Griffiths - The sidewalk work is planned for the spring. The Township has given $7,000 to complete this work. This will complete the SHPO Grant Project. The next work to be done is the fence, taking care of the leak in the light tower and replacing scratched windows in the tower.

Log Cabin Days – the committee has met twice. We have township permission for signs. Invitations will be sent shortly. Save the date: June 25th, 11-3 at the Log Cabin - 11-4 at the Dougherty House.

Past Perfect – Chris Rieser – OMPHS has signed up as an institutional member of AASLH (American Assoc. for State and Local History). This gave us a 20% discount on Past Perfect 5 software. We have purchased that software, a laptop computer to house it, backup devices and installed the Dougherty House artifact collection data. Plans include entering other artifact information from the Lighthouse, Log Cabin and Replica Church as well as archival documents.

Business meeting adjourned at 9:10 P.M.

Respectfully Submitted,

Karen and Chris Rieser- Co-Secretaries