

ACME TOWNSHIP HERITAGE ADVISORY COMMITTEE Friday June 20, 2008, 12:00 p.m. Acme Township Hall 6042 Acme Road, Williamsburg MI 49690

Meeting called to Order at 12:05 p.m.

Members present: B. Whiting (Chair), D. Dunville, E. Huver-Kuncaitis, C. Wacker, (12:20)

Members excused: None

Staff present: W. Kladder, Supervisor

S. Vreeland, Township Manager N. Edwardson, Recording Secretary

MOTION BY VREELAND. SECONDED BY DUNVILLE TO APPROVE THE HERITAGE ADVISORY COMMITTEE AGENDA AS PRESENTED. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

Limited Public Comment:

Old Business:

1. Bertha Vos Elementary

a). Video

Dave Galligan,7493 Cram Road, Williamsburg, showed a video of the last few days of school at Bertha Vos. There are photos of the carnival, last day of school. Galligan commented that more photos can be added to the slideshow. Whiting suggested that we do a history of the school up to the closing. We could incorporate old newspaper articles, pictures. We will continue working on this.

b). Flag

Dunville paid for a new flag for the closing of school. Whiting would like to reimburse her but Dunville considers it a donation. Whiting said we need to establish a budget. The committee will work with the Treasurer to set one up. Whiting said there was a gentleman who for years had contributed money to Bertha Vos school. Perhaps he would like to continue the practice. Whiting will look more into this.

c). Portrait of Caroline Wacker, Principal of Bertha Vos School

Whiting would like to have a portrait of Wacker, painted. The committee will look more into this after a budget is set up.

2. Archives:

a. Inventory - Caroline Wacker

Wacker is currently working on inventoring the items from the school that we have here in the township. This inventory will also go to TCAPS. She also will email the list to Kladder.

b). Method of storage

Traverse Area Historical Society will help prepare items for storage. They will call in July to set up a meeting date. Whiting thought this would cost about \$100.00.

c). Location of storage

Discussion about storing archives at the Music House followed. Whiting will look into this. We also talked about working with Whitewater Township and displaying items together. Again we need to further investigate the possibilities. It was suggested that Carol Hockin, Whitewater Township Clerk, would be a good contact person.

TCAPS asked that we insured the items we have. Dunville is looking into some quotes.

3. Letter of appreciation sent to school board

Whiting sent a letter to the school board thanking them for the items we received from the school. Whiting asked if any of the committee members would be interested in attending a school board meeting. At this time no one was able to make a commitment because of prior obligations but will in the near future.

Vreeland commented that perhaps the committee could request \$1000.00 from the current Tribal grant cycle that is due on June 30, 2008. Perhaps this will give the committee some start up money for some of the current needs.

Kladder thanked the committee for their commitment to this advisory. Future generations will be grateful for what is done now. Kladder said our first charge is to preserve the Bertha Vos memorabilia.

Adjourn 1:00 pm