

**FRIENDS OF THE MARKHAM MUSEUM BOARD MEETING**  
**Meeting No. 106**  
**Electronic Meeting**  
**September 14, 2022, 5:00 p.m.**

<b>In Attendance:</b>	<b>Regrets:</b>
Wendy Kadlovski, Chair	Councillor Andrew Keyes
Bill Crothers	Councillor Karen Rea
Sue Smitko, Book Committee Chair	Christopher Hurezeanu
Dianne Azzarello, Volunteer Committee Chair	Christina Lee
Martha Mingay	Lorne Smith, Treasurer
	Anna Masci
<i>Staff:</i>	
Cathy Molloy, Museum Director	<i>Guests:</i>
Matthew Wright (Recording Secretary)	

**1. CALL TO ORDER AND OPENING REMARKS**

Under the authority of the COVID-19 Economic Recovery Act, 2020 (Bill 197) and the City of Markham’s Council Procedural By-law 2017-5, and in consideration of the advice of public health authorities, this meeting was conducted electronically with members of the Friends of the Markham Museum Board and staff participating remotely.

The Friends of the Markham Museum Board meeting was called to order at 5:07 PM with Wendy Kadlovski presiding as Chair. The Chair welcomed the Board back after the busy summer, in which the Friends put on multiple very successful “Night at the Museum” events. The Chair thanked all those who were able to volunteer their time during the events to help raise funds.

**2. DECLARATIONS**

Nil.

**3. ADDITIONS/CHANGES TO THE AGENDA**

Moved By: D. Azzarello  
 Seconded By: S. Smitko

**THAT** the agenda for the September 14, 2022 meeting be approved as distributed.

**Carried. (3.1)**

**4. REGRETS**

Cllr. Andrew Keyes, Cllr. Karen Rea, and C. Lee sent their regrets.

**5. ADOPTION OF MINUTES OF MEETING HELD JUNE 8, 2022**

Moved By: B. Crothers  
 Seconded By: W. Kadlovski

**THAT** the minutes of the Friends of the Markham Museum meeting on June 8, 2022 be approved as amended.

**Carried. (5.1)**

**6. BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES**

Nil.

**7. DIRECTOR'S REPORT**

C. Molloy gave a report. Summer Camps ran at 50% of 2019's offerings. Camps sold out, prices increased across the City. Staffing levels were the primary reason for not running more. COVID was still an issue for staff and campers. Pottery programs will run in the fall. Educational Programs will return as we get more information from schools. Applefest returns September 24. Over the summer, rentals did fairly well, mostly groups and corporate meetings. We weren't allowed to reopen rentals early enough for weddings. Rentals halted for the fall due to lack of staff. A Pat Wheeler exhibition will be installed in the south gallery, replacing "What is Markham?". Some emergency repairs were made over the summer to two A/C units. Staff from Asset Management gave their time to help repair the tracks of the little train. C. Molloy returned from Nordlingen, Germany. Sadly, Aksel Rinck passed away on September 10 at the age of 100. Aksel was instrumental in maintaining the partnership between Markham and Nordlingen. Lastly, Cathy Molloy will be retiring on December 31 of this year.

**8. CHAIR'S REPORT**

The Chair gave a report. The Friends were busy over the summer with grant supported activities; concerts, movies and an exercise class. Attendance was 300 for concerts, 500 for movies and 35 for the exercise class. Raised \$700 from concessions. The events went very well, helped by road signs placed around town. We may run more movies next year. If we run music events again, cover bands seemed to be more popular.

**9. TREASURER'S REPORT**

Current bank balance is \$65,375.13.

**10. DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE REPORT**

- a) Note cards – Anna is still working on selling cards.
- b) MLT event has been put off until next year, perhaps in the spring.

**11. VOLUNTEER COMMITTEE REPORT**

D. Azzarello checked the gardens over the summer and a few plants survived. Watering is the issue.

**12. HISTORY BOOK SALES COMMITTEE REPORT**

S. Smitko has made arrangements for the Markham-Stouffville Hospital gift shop to carry the books. They have agreed to purchase 10 which will be delivered in two batches. They have also offered us a spot to have a table during the Christmas season. We will need to have a marketing plan for Christmas, possibly using the Museum's social media.

**13. MARKHAM HISTORICAL SOCIETY REPORT**

An executive meeting will be held September 26 to discuss next steps.

**14. OTHER BUSINESS**

- a) The Friends will have a booth at Applefest with Wendy, Sue and Dianne volunteering. They will sell books, cards, and refreshments.
- b) S. Smitko and Matthew Wright met about the website and are working on improvements.

**15. NEXT MEETING**

The Chair informed the Board that the next meeting would be held on October 12 at 5 PM via Zoom.

**16. ADJOURNMENT**

Moved by: B. Crothers

**THAT** the September 14, 2022 meeting of the Friends of the Markham Museum Board be adjourned.

**Carried. (16.1)**

Meeting adjourned 5:59 PM.