

MARINE HERITAGE SOCIETY
December 9th, 2025

Rob Campbell	X	Wayne Kaufman	X	Eric Tolton	X
Bob Clarence	X	Ali Kelly	X	Vicki Tomori	X
Grace Currie	X	Diane Marchent	X	Daiene Vernile	X
Scott Good	X	John Matlock	X	John Willetts	X
Deb Kaufman	X				

1. **Welcome** – Eric opened the meeting and welcomed everyone.
2. **Call to Order**
3. **Disclosure of pecuniary interest and nature** – None
4. **Adoption, Deletions or Amendments to the Agenda** – None
5. **Adoption, Amendments to the Dec. 9th Minutes**- Minutes adopted by John W. Seconded by Vicki
6. **Treasurer's Report** – Grace reported that at the end of Nov, the bank balance stood at approx. \$251,000 (Festival and MHS combined). Expenses still trickling in. Deb said she was still unsure whether more Experience Ont. Grant would be coming in. Wayne suggested cancelling the cell phone used for tours as the portable radios were working well.
7. **Market Update** – Deb reported that \$945 had been collected from Vendors. Half to be given to the Chantry Centre. Stated that sales were very low. Most Vendors just broke even with the cost of table. (\$35.00). Daiene suggested that maybe switching the day to Sunday might prove more lucrative? John M. Working on Vendor application form.
8. **Festival Update** – Deb reported that Lisa Billings is planning on coordinating with various groups ie. Firefighters, Yacht Club etc in obtaining a Special Occasion Permit. Daiene met with Joan Godden to go over 'Fun in the Park' and will await documentation.
9. **Chantry Tower** - Eric has sent a letter to Town Staff to address lack of movement. Kristen to sit down in the New Year to discuss issues. Eric plus 1 to meet with Adam Dec. 18th to review engineer work scope to be presented to DFO. Rob suggested that other options of rebuilding should be looked into. DFO has declared that they do not want lighthouses and are in a transitional state at the moment. Maybe another dept. (Heritage) should be responsible. Adam will be brought up to speed in these concerns. Wayne and Eric talked with the Mayor at the AGM expressing some of our concerns and all felt that items have to be dealt with individually.
10. **BIA Update** - Two members were invited to the AGM – No show. Eric expressed need to talk over with them our desire to come to a amicable solution that will work for both parties.

Deb, Eric and BIA planning on meeting next week.

11. Governance – Felt this was not a burning issue. Revisit in the Fall.

12.Strategic Plan – Deal with in the Fall. Our current plan goes out to 2027. Plan to add changes, not reinvent.

13.Theater Group - Bruce CountyPlay House met with Evan and Eric. Theme is on the Great Lakes to be presented in a series of plays. The Kayosk was suggested as a good historic point. Eric threw out some other thoughts, the one that struck a cord was the Jane Kramer story.

14.New Business and Around the Table

Rob put shutters up in Rear Range Light, asked whether vents s/b covered. Scott thought they would be OK.

Vicki – Has applied for student grant for 4 people, hopes to get grant for 3. Would like to have a refresh done in the Tour Base. Remove sink (never used) reconfigure counter, floor and paint. Will meet with worker Bees to come up with a suitable plan. Spring jobs – paint bench and work on exterior map.

Scott – Received a cheque from the Town for \$200.00 for Gable repairs. Museum has approached him to paint Stokes Bay Lighthouse. Insurance issues. This is Museum's call.

Daiene – Would like to see a world map in Tour Base so that visitors can 'pin' where they are from.

Grace – Raised issue of WebCam payment. John W. Paid personally – will be reimbursed. Wayne brought up the idea of a camera being placed on the Island for security reasons. We are looking into solar power on the Island.

Wayne - Plans to discuss with Adam the protection of the Front Range Light.

Evan is working on the shipwreck map, has found some anomalies.

Rob, Gord and Wayne looking into the Man Shed with thoughts of bringing into the Boathouse and encouraging some to join our group.

John M. - Working on promotions for all our events. Web Site needs work and scripts require updating. He would like to stay ahead of events. Feels that Mike Sterling's book a wonderful resource and thought it might be better as a digital download – maybe just a teaser to encourage people into buying the book. All new content should be submitted monthly for review and update.

15.Next Meeting: Jan 12, 2026

16.Adjournment – Motion to adjourn – Wayne.