

Minutes of the Byron Historical Society Meeting November 17, 2025

Please Note: These minutes are not yet approved and are subject to change.

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 by President Maureen Betz. Board members present: Owen Stopplesworth, Jackie Hansen, Maureen Betz, Gloria Sampson and Linda Vollmer. Absent: Byron Pegram.

Agenda: A motion was made by Linda Vollmer to approve the agenda as presented. Seconded by Joyce Kindschuh. Motion carried.

Approval of October 20, 2025 Minutes: A motion was made by Jackie Hansen to approve the October minutes as presented. Seconded by Mary Ann Pahnke. Motion carried.

Treasurer's Report: No bills were presented. A check for calendar sales and a check for Pat Dilling Memorial were presented. Gloria presented the treasurer's report as follows:

Financial Report Nov 2025		
Account Balances as of Nov 17, 2025		
Checking	\$12,533.85	
CD	\$11,001.41	
Petty Cash	\$47.04	
Total:	\$23,582.30	
Checking Account Breakdown:		
General Fund:	\$7,236.71	
Flower Fund	\$80.38	
BHCE Fund:	\$1,705.76	
Wellnitz Memorial	\$200.00	
Joanna Culver Memorial	\$336.00	
Erv Kraft Memorial	\$530.00	
Jeff Hansen Memorial	\$820.00	
Ruth Bird Scholly Memorial	\$500.00	
Carol Baier Memorial	\$1,125.00	
TOTAL	\$12,533.85	
Income from Oct 21, 2025 - Nov 17, 2025		
Calendars:	\$967.00	
Memberships:	\$30.00	
Donations:	\$279.00	
Ads for Calendar	\$275.00	
Carol Baier Memorial	\$225.00	
Total:	\$1,776.00	
Expenses from Oct 21, 2025 - Nov 17, 2025		
Print-Right (printing calendar)	\$1,376.50	Calendar
Hobby Lobby (Exhibit expense)	\$24.41	BHCE Fund
Kelley Creamery	\$50.00	Gift cards for event
Essay Contest Veteran's Day	\$100.00	Ed Kelroy Memorial
Total:	\$1,550.91	

Cheryl Meyer made a motion to approve the treasurer's report. Seconded by Joyce Kindschuh. Motion carried.

Open House Calendar Sale and Veterans Remembrance: It was reported that there was good attendance at the open house and at least half of the calendars were sold. Alexis Kottke, a junior at Lomira High School was the winner of the Ed Kelroy Memorial Essay Contest. There were 13 entrants this year from both Lomira and Oakfield High Schools. Jim Kelroy and Tom

Kelroy judged the essays. Congratulations to Alexis. Members of the Oakfield VFW and Lomira Legion participated in the Veteran's Remembrance. Thank you to all of them. We also thank Cheryl Meyer for the delicious cookies and bars she provided. Gift cards from Kelly's Country Creamery were awarded as door prizes. We will continue to award these each year.

Change4Troops: On Sunday Nov. 9th the Lomira High School wrestlers and their coaches walked their first ever Change4Troops fundraiser. Maureen welcomed them at the Byron Town Hall before they began their walk from the Byron Veterans Memorial through Lomira to the Theresa Veterans Memorial. The group walked 11 miles and raised a total of \$2,355.65 which will be donated to the Theresa Veterans Memorial and Byron Veterans Memorial. The Lomira Head Wrestling coach is Jamie Feucht. Congratulations to all of them!

Camp Byron Book: The book is on the back burner right now but we will soon be working on it now that the calendars are completed. We are still looking for stories and pictures. There were several people at our meeting who shared stories of Camp Byron.

In Memoriam: We remembered Pat Dilling who recently passed. Pat lived at Hamilton for many years and she served the town as a poll worker and in many other civic roles. She was voted Byron's Citizen of the Year. Several people shared memories of Pat. We also remembered Sharren Wendler who was the wife of Ron Wendler. They will be missed.

Other Agenda Items: Linda had Columns booklets to give to any people who were interested.

Next Meeting: The next meeting will be December 15, 2025 at 7:00.

Adjournment: The meeting was adjourned at 7:27. Motion for adjournment was made by Jan Guell, seconded by Joyce Kindschuh. Motion carried.

Respectfully Submitted,
Jackie Hansen, Secretary

Following the meeting, Owen Stoppleworth conducted the 3rd Annual Antiques Appraisal night.