



July 10, 2026

Dear Members of the Nipissing Museum Board

Please accept this donation of \$5,000.00 from our Church with our sincere appreciation for the important work your museum does in preserving and sharing our community's history.

As you know, representatives from your board have previously visited our church to view a number of items that may be of interest to the museum. As our church prepares for its eventual closure, we hope the museum will consider accepting some of our historical artifacts into its collection. We greatly value the museum's role in preserving local history and would be pleased to see these items remain with the community's historical record.

We are grateful for your consideration and for your ongoing commitment to safeguarding our local heritage.

With best wishes

Nipissing Knox United Church

June 22, 2023

Nipissing Township Council and
Museum Board
45 Beatty Street
Nipissing, ON
P0H 1W0

As you are probably aware Knox United Church in Nipissing has been sold. Although we are still conducting church services thanks to a short term agreement with the new owner we need to find homes for certain items. Thus, we the Trustees of the church are asking the following:

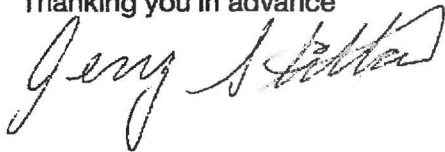
Would the Museum be interested in taking ownership of some of our artifacts for use in your museum buildings? These items would include such things as memorial plaques, UCW membership tree, and photo albums to name a few.

These artifacts will be available for you to look at prior to you making a decision.

Please contact Jerry Stillar at 705-724-3502 to view items or in writing at:

3705 Hwy. 534
Nipissing, ON
P0H 1W0

Thanking you in advance

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Jerry Stillar".

Jerry Stillar, Chair
Trustees
Knox United Church
Nipissing

MINUTES

Nipissing Township Museum Board of Management
July 5, 2023

A regular meeting of the Nipissing Township Museum Board of Management was held on Wednesday, July 5, 2023 starting at 6:30 p.m. **Start time of 6:00 p.m. was posted on the Agenda, corrected within the Minutes and start time.

The meeting was held in person at the Township of Nipissing Community Centre, 2381 Hwy 654.

Present: Councillor Dave Yemm(arrived after Item #3 on Agenda); Norah Jackson; Mary Heasman and Gladys Bateman

Regrets: Councillor Steve Kirkey

Staff: Will Bateman, Fire Chief-CEMC-MLEO and Kris Croskery-Hodgins, Secretary to the Museum Board.

MOTION NUMBER 2023-20

Moved by: Mary Heasman Seconded by: Gladys Bateman

That we appoint Norah Jackson as Chair for the July 5, 2023 Museum Board meeting. **Carried.**

MOTION NUMBER 2023-21

Moved by: Gladys Bateman Seconded by: Mary Heasman

That we amend the Museum Board meeting start time to 6:30 p.m. **Carried.**

Agenda Item Number 2, motion to approve the Minutes of the Board Meetings held May 25 and June 7, 2023 was deferred to the next meeting to allow for more time to review the documentation.

MOTION NUMBER 2023-22

Moved by: Mary Heasman Seconded by: Gladys Bateman

The Heritage Day 2023 Theme shall be "Tools used in Homesteading", event date August 13, 2023. **Carried.**

Discussion Items:

Letter from Knox United Church regarding donation of artifacts. Members of the Museum Board will meet with members from the Church to review items for consideration.

Offer of donation of 2 deer heads from Huron County Museum. These items will not be accepted at the Museum due to space/storage concerns and lack of display space.

Agenda Item Number 5, motion to approve the Nipissing Township Operating Standards was deferred to the next meeting to allow for more time to review the documentation.

MOTION NUMBER 2023-23

Moved by: Dave Yemm Seconded by: Gladys Bateman

That we participate in the Pictorial History program with the Powassan and District Union Public Library;

And that we will provide copies of pictures and information on the history of the Township of Nipissing to be included in the rotation of the program. **Carried.**

MINUTES

Nipissing Township Museum Board of Management
August 2, 2023

A regular meeting of the Nipissing Township Museum Board of Management was held on Wednesday, August 2, 2023 starting at 6:30 p.m.

The meeting was held in person at the Township of Nipissing Community Centre, 2381 Hwy 654.

Present: Councillor Steve Kirkey, Councillor Dave Yemm, Norah Jackson; Mary Heasman and Gladys Bateman

Regrets: Debbie Rennette

Staff: Will Bateman, Fire Chief-CEMC-MLEO; Gillian Bernas, Interim Museum Manager and Kris Croskery-Hodgins, Secretary to the Museum Board.

MOTION NUMBER 2023-25

Moved by: Dave Yemm Seconded by: Mary Heasman

That the Minutes of the May 25 and June 7, 2023 Board meetings are approved as circulated.

Carried.

MOTION NUMBER 2023-26

Moved by: Norah Jackson Seconded by: Dave Yemm

That the Minutes of the July 5, 2023 Board meeting are approved as circulated. **Carried.**

Demonstrations and activities for the Heritage Day event were discussed. A volunteer list for duties on Heritage Day was circulated to the Board members.

Information on homesteading families was discussed. A discount amount for candy on Heritage Day was discussed.

Fall Fest information was provided. Basing all information on the previous year event.

Agenda Item #5 – Nipissing Township Museum Operating Standards

This item was deferred to the September meeting to allow for changes.

Discussion Items:

List of items offered from the Knox United Church and viewed by Board members was circulated for discussion.

- a) Plaque – including 2 pictures of the church and a poem by Noreen Bowman.
- b) Scrapbooks – 4 in total, listing occasions at the church chronologically.
- c) Government Certificate commemorating the 100th anniversary of the church.

These items are to be accepted by the Museum.

Banners commemorating church occasions will be considered pending evaluation of placement.

Offer of an intact oxen yoke was presented to the Board. It will replace the current yoke on display in the Hardware Store as it is a complete exhibit. The current yoke will be deaccessioned and offered to local museums.