

The Wednesday, August 11, 2010 Special Meeting of the Washington Island Historical Archives Committee was called to order by Chairman Charlotte Hansen at 3:30 PM in the Rutledge Room of the Community Center.

Present were Kirby Foss, Eric Greenfeldt, Charlotte Hansen, Merrill Lundberg, Richard Purinton, David Raup, Connie Sena and Jeanette Young. Also present was Archivist Barbara Ellefson. Absent was Arbutus Greenfeldt.

DVD Discs

Dick Purinton reported that the second disc of the 20-disc set for Arbutus' slides was blank when the second 100 sets were received last month. These materials were received on the day of the July program and some of the faulty sets were sold that night and in the following days before the problem was discovered. Amy has now provided replacement discs and these are being made available to those who bought the faulty ones.

Arbutus has suggested that the Committee have a table at the Island Fair on August 21 to sell the DVD's. She has offered to be there herself for the event. Connie maybe able to help and other Archives items may be offered as well. Charlotte will follow up with Ron Overdahl, who heads the Lions Club Fair Committee. We may need to pay a fee for the table.

Island Archivist Position

Charlotte reported that two applications for the position of Island Archivist have been received. One of the applicants has spent some time with Barbara to learn more about the position, and Barbara will schedule time with the other applicant as well. The members of the Committee reviewed the resumes submitted by both applicants.

It was agreed that a committee of Charlotte, Kirby and Eric will interview both applicants. Members of the Archives Committee discussed a format for these interviews as well as the hours for the Archives office and the compensation arrangements for the Archivist position.

It was agreed that the interview committee will decide on a recommendation to the full committee after both applicants have been interviewed. The members of the Archives Committee will then be polled so as to avoid the need for yet another special meeting. It was noted that the Archives Committee will make a recommendation to the Town Board for a final decision.

Members of the Archives Committee said they were very pleased that we now have two candidates for the Archivist position who appear to have the necessary qualifications and an interest in doing the job. They noted again that Barbara invests a lot of her time in this work and that she continues to take on extra projects on her own initiative. She will continue to be available as a resource person and the volunteers are looking forward to working with a new Archivist.

Following this discussion, there being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 4:30 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Merrill C. Lundberg,

Secretary