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PELHAM HISTORICAL SOCIETY

Box 903, Fonthill, Ontario LOS 1E0

December 18, 2023

MERRY CHRISTMAS & BEST WISHES FOR 2024!

We had a great meeting on December 2nd with a good turnout. The meeting started off with the Annual General Meeting. Our secretary Bev Lovejoy read the minutes from last year's annual meeting and then president Bob Young spoke of what has been happening for the group this past year. The financial statement was read and accepted and lastly there was the voting in of the executive positions that were due this year.

The executive for the year 2024 is as follows:

President: Robert Young Vice President: not filled Treasurer: Bill Lamb Secretary: Bev Lovejoy

Collections Coordinator: Carolyn Botari

Social Convener: Wendy Young **Program Coordinator**: **not filled**

Members at Large: Wayne Olson (who will be writing the newsletter in 2024)

Graham Segger (who is responsible for the maintenance of our website)

Mark Lovell

The meeting then continued on to the virtual tour of Hillside/Dawdy Cemetery presented by Bob Young. Bob's extensive research provided us with an historical account of each person's life before their death and how they related to local history. The people portrayed at this meeting are just a handful of the many people who helped in shaping Pelham and our surrounding area. "Hillside" is full of our hardworking ancestors who paved the way for making Pelham a wonderful place to live and raise a family. Our local cemeteries still have so many stories to be told.

Just a reminder that there is no meeting in January

The following are the meetings scheduled for 2024

February 24, 2024 Sat. 2:30 pm at Kirk on the Hill - Members Interest
(If you have something of interest you would like to share with the group please contact Bob
Young in January - youngrobert158@gmail.com)

March 23, 2024 Sat. 2:30 pm Kirk on the Hill - Early Hurricane - Speaker: Jessica Linzel

April 27, 2024 Sat. 2:30 pm Kirk on the Hill - Welland Canal History - Speaker: David Sherlock

June 1, 2024 Sat. 2:30 pm - In Person Visit to Beaverdams Church With David Cowan