

Minutes of the Byron Historical Society Meeting of June 15, 2026

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 were Byron Pegram, Linda Vollmer, Gloria Sampson, Maureen Betz and Jackie Hansen. Absent was Owen Stoppleworth.

Agenda: After a review of the agenda, a motion was made by Cheryl Meyer to approve the agenda as presented. Jan Guell seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Approval of May 18, 2026 Minutes: A motion to approve the May 18 minutes was made by Bill Behm and seconded by Linda Vollmer. Motion carried.

Treasurer's Report: A bill was turned in for refreshments. No receipts were presented. Gloria presented the treasurer's report. A motion to approve the following summary was made by Jackie Hansen, seconded by Maureen Betz. Motion carried.

Financial Report June 2026			
Account Balances as of June 15, 2026		Checking Account Breakdown:	
Checking	\$13,010.58	General Fund:	\$6,977.51
CD	\$11,121.65	Flower Fund	\$80.38
Petty Cash	\$47.04	BHCE Fund:	\$1,621.69
		Wellnitz Memorial	\$200.00
		Jeanne 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
		Joyce Kindschuh Memorial	\$820.00
Total:	\$24,179.27	TOTAL	\$13,010.58
Income from May 19, 2026 - June 15, 2026			
Calendars:	\$59.00		
Memberships:	\$125.00		
Donations:	\$930.00		
Total:	\$1,114.00		
Expenses from May 19, 2026 - June 15, 2026			
Hobby Lobby	\$5.25	BHCE	
Dollar Tree	\$3.17	BHCE	
Menards	\$12.95	BHCE (refreshments)	
Piggly Wiggly	\$41.39	Archival Supplies	
Gaylord Archival	\$199.88	Postage	
USPS	\$14.22		
Total:	\$276.86		

Membership Drive - 66: Our membership drive is well underway. To date we have a total of 66 members, both new and renewing.

Recap of Celebrations: Since our last meeting we had the Yellowstone Trail Day, 20th Anniversary of Byron Historical Society and the 250th Anniversary of our country. We were pleased with the turnout. We had face painting which was enjoyed by children and adults alike and Kelley's Ice Cream donated red, white, and blue ice cream cups which was enjoyed by all. Thank you to them!

Banner Signing: We have purchased two vertical banners which we had everyone sign at our recent celebrations. We would like people to sign these banners to celebrate our nation's 250th birthday as witnesses to the event.

Request to Review Upcoming Cell Tower Project: The Byron Historical Society received documentation requesting our review of an upcoming project and its impact on any historic sites in the Town of Byron. Betz will follow up on this.

Camp Byron Book: Byron Pegram, Bill Behm, Owen Stoppleworth and Maureen Betz will be getting together later in June to review progress on the book.

Veterans Memorial Garden: Diane Giese, Cindy Decker, Heddy Pahnke, Brook Bloch, Paula Brath, Brandy Westphal, Bridget Schaumberg, Gloria Sampson, Maureen Betz and Kim Batterman (backup) have all volunteered to help with the Veterans Garden. Thank you to all.

Upcoming Events: July 20, 2026 - Monthly meeting starting at 7pm with Owen and Sam Stoppleworth of Brothers Antiques. August 17, 2026 - Mary More Behrens and Nancy More presenting "More Than a Name", their newly published history of the More family of Byron. TBA - Paula Homuth - One of the original Green Bay Packers Golden Girls.

In Memoriam: We remembered Laurette Guy who recently passed as well as Robert Pelletier. Both had been BHS members. They will be missed.

Other Agenda Items: Linda had several publications which people could take home to read. They need not be returned.

The next meeting will be July 20, 2026 at 7:00 pm.

Motion for adjournment was made by Cheryl Meyer, seconded by Bill Behm. Motion carried.

Respectfully Submitted By:
Jackie Hansen, Secretary

After the meeting we all enjoyed a wonderful presentation of the History and Ecology of the Horicon Marsh by Bill Volkert.