



MINUTES

Heritage St. Marys

March 10, 2018

10:30am

St. Marys Museum

177 Church Street South

Members Present: Larry Pfaff
Stephen Habermehl
Paul King
Mary Smith
Michelle Stemmler
Sherri Gropp
Council Present: Al Strathdee
Carey Pope
Member Regrets: Janis Fread
Guests HCDAC: Tony Winter
Dan Schneider
Mike Bolton
Staff Present: Trisha McKibbin, Director of Corporate Services / Deputy Clerk

1. CALL TO ORDER

Chair Larry Pfaff called the meeting to order at 9 a.m. and welcomed the HCDAC members.

2. DECLARATION OF PECUNIARY INTEREST

None.

3. AMENDMENTS AND APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Agenda Item 8.1.1 (Infill) was moved forward to accommodate the HCDAC members.

Moved By Stephen Habermehl

Seconded By Sherri Gropp

THAT the March 10, 2018 Heritage Committee agenda be approved.

CARRIED

4. DELEGATIONS

None.

5. CORRESPONDENCE

None.

6. AMENDMENT AND ACCEPTANCE OF MINUTES

The Committee agreed that the minutes of February 10, 2018 will be amended to include:

Agenda Item 5.2 – Correspondence: Letter from Larry Pfaff

There was consensus by committee members that the operations of the Museum require sufficient staff to maintain level of service. If a formal request regarding staffing is made to council at a future time, the Heritage Committee will support measures that maintain or enhance the Museum/Archives ability to operate as an effective resource.

Agenda Item 8.2.6 – Old Water Tower

Removed phrase "on window replacement"

Moved By Mary Smith

Seconded By Stephen Habermehl

THAT the February 10, 2018 Heritage Committee meeting amended minutes be accepted.

CARRIED

7. BUSINESS ARISING FROM MINUTES

Explanation was provided to committee members re new format for recording minutes as mandated by the Ministry of Municipal Affairs:

Section 239(7): A municipality or local board or a committee of either of them shall record without note or comment all resolutions, decisions and other proceedings at a meeting of the body, whether it is closed to the public or not. Section 239(8). The record required by subsection (7) shall be made by, (a) the clerk, in the case of a meeting of council; or (b) the appropriate officer, in the case of a meeting of a local board or committee.

8. REGULAR BUSINESS

8.1 Heritage Conservation District Update

8.1.1 Infill Discussion

With the members of the HCDAC, Heritage Committee members reviewed the three infill sites in question: the west side of Church Street North, site of old Medical Clinic; the west side of Wellington Street South, vacant lot adjacent to Lifetime Vision Care; several vacant lots on the west side of Water Street South, south of Elgin Street. The two committees considered the potential impact on the adjacent streetscapes of development on each site. A number of suggestions were offered to help staff work with potential developers proposing projects for these sites but there was consensus that more work is needed to address this complex issue. The matter will be discussed further by both committees and results shared.

(Members of the HCDAC withdrew from the meeting.)

8.2 Municipal Register, Part 1 - Designations/designated property matters

8.2.1 VIA Station

Work is currently underway to modify the Via ticket office.

8.2.2 Junction Station

Nothing to report

8.2.3 McDonald House

Nothing to report

8.2.4 Andrews Jeweller

Nothing to report

8.2.5 Public Library

Pre-authorized capital work will begin as soon as possible.

8.2.6 Old Water Tower

Pre-authorized capital work will begin as soon as possible.

8.2.7 Pumphouse

Pre-authorized capital work will begin as soon as possible.

8.2.8 Town Hall

Pre-authorized capital work will begin as soon as possible.

Note that the Heritage Committee will be expected to review the proposals for capital work on designated municipal structures once a tender has been accepted and details are available.

8.3 Municipal Register, Part 2 - List of Significant properties

A form will be placed on the website for use in nominating a property for consideration as an addition to the list of significant properties.

8.4 Heritage Grant Applications

None at this time.

8.5 Properties of interest or at risk (not necessarily designated)

8.5.1 West Ward School

A public meeting showing potential site development was held on February 27, 2018.

8.5.2 North Ward School site

Nothing to report at this time.

8.6 CHO Report

The next issue of CHOnews is expected soon and will contain an article by Paul King on the effect of catastrophic natural events on heritage buildings. The 2018 Ontario Heritage Conference will take place in Sault Ste. Marie from June 7 to 9. The 2019 Ontario Heritage Conference will take place in Goderich/Bluewater. Planning is well underway.

8.7 Homeowner/Property owner letters

Letters have been sent to property owners as discussed at the February meeting.

8.8 Sign Bylaw

A staff report will be presented to the Strategic Priorities Committee on March 20, 2018.

8.9 Cultural Planning: Strategic Plan

Nothing to report at this time.

9. Council Report

The final version of the 2018 Budget is available on the municipal website.

10. OTHER BUSINESS

10.1 Heritage Festival planning

Andrea Macko has asked to be a delegation at the April 14 meeting to discuss plans for the Heritage Festival and potential committee involvement.

10.2 Heritage Fair

In a brief review of the Heritage Fair, February 23, 2018, committee members who had attended agreed that it had been a successful evening. The malfunctioning sound system had some impact on the award presentation.

12. ADJOURNMENT

Moved By Stephen Habermehl

THAT this regular meeting of the Heritage Committee adjourn at 10:45a.m.

Larry Pfaff, Chair