

Township of Woolwich Heritage Committee Minutes

Wednesday May 8, 2019

The Committee met on the above date commencing at 5:00 p.m. at the Township of Woolwich Administration Building, 24 Church St. W., in the Gosnay Board Room.

Present: Bonnie Bryant (chair), Laurie Breed, Marg Drexler, Hans Pottkamper (vice chair), David Voogd

Absent: Terry Rohr

Present from Township Staff: Dan Kennaley, Jeremy Vink

Disclosures of Pecuniary Interest - None.

Call to Order

Adoption of Minutes

Moved by David and seconded by Marg that the minutes of April 10, 2019 meeting be approved as printed. Motion was carried.

16 Isabella Street

The property may have been sold. Dan still hopes to take a report to designate the property under the Heritage Act.

*Hans joined the meeting.

Ghost Community Signage

Dan and Bonnie are working with Regional Heritage staff to support the proposed signage. Dan will first provide a report to Township Council to endorse the signage concept, where Council be asked to have Regional Council endorse the concept. The location of the signs will be reviewed and determined by staff.

The Committee reviewed the list of ghost communities, and ranked them in priority in terms of erecting the signage as follows:

Wagners Corners

Zubers Corners

Freiburg

Shantz

Weisenburg

Three Bridges

Jerusalem Corners

Rosendale

The Committee only has funding for one sign this year.

Moved by Hans, seconded by David, that staff take a report to Council to endorse the Ghost Community Signage and seek Regional Council support for the same.

June 12th tour

The tour of the school is booked for the June meeting. Dan is verifying that a tour of the mill is still possible. Dinner is at the Harvest Moon at 7:00.

Home Hardware house

Dan just reached out to Home Hardware again today to follow up on a previous email seeking the tour of the house and a copy of the heritage report.

Articles – Embracing Change Magazine

Hans submitted his first article, and he is working on his second article about the bridge keeper.

CHL Signage

Hans sent a draft wording for signage yesterday to the Committee. He is looking at keeping the wording short and combined with a map. It was recommended that more detail be added, including “what is a CHL” and “why is it important”, to further explain the CHL in more detail. The Committee will review and provide comments to the proposed wording.

It was agreed that boundary signs around the CHL be erected with an information board in Gole or Letson Park. However, there is only \$300.00 in the budget for this project. Additional funds may be sought from other sources.

Jigs Hollow – potential CHL (Bonnie)

The applicant has appealed the Township’s indecision on the lifting of the holding provision to the LPAT.

Proposed Amendments to the Ontario Heritage Act

The Committee was forwarded details of the recently proposed amendments to the Act for their review.

Adjourn

Moved by Laurie, seconded by Hans that the meeting be adjourned.