

Township of Woolwich Heritage Committee Minutes

Wednesday March 20, 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 Dodie Hummel Room.

Present: Bonnie Bryant (chair), Marg Drexler, Hans Pottkamper (vice chair), Terry Rohr, David Voogd

Absent: Laurie Breed

Present from Township Staff: Dan Kennaley, Director of Engineering and Planning Services
Jeremy Vink, Senior Planner

Call to Order

Disclosures of Pecuniary Interest - None.

Adoption of the Minutes

Moved by Terry and seconded by Hans that the minutes of February 20, 2019 meeting be approved. Motion was carried.

Appointment of New Chairperson for 2019

Motion moved by Hans and seconded Terry that Bonnie be the Chairperson for 2019. There were no other nominations. Motion was carried.

Motion moved by Terry and seconded David that Hans be appointed the vice-chair for 2019. There were no other nominations. Motion was carried.

39 Henry Street – Proposed Demolition

Dan gave an update, noting he has contacted Home Hardware requesting a tour of the dwelling, but has not heard back from Home Hardware. He is also waiting to see a copy of the cultural heritage report for the dwelling.

Articles – Embracing Change Magazine

Hans is meeting with Regional Archives later this week to start his research. He is considering articles on the former sawmill and the covered bridge.

Ghost Community Signage

Jeremy noted that at this time the Region does not permit such signage on a Regional Road. However, Regional staff is still looking into this issue further.

Dan suggested that as part of the process, that Township Council be asked to support the signage and that Council be asked to make the recommendation to Regional Council to support the signage.

Bonnie will also seek comments from the Regional Heritage Committee and support for the signage. This could be used as a Regional standard.

Dan noted that approval from Township Sign Committee is not required if a report goes directly to Council. The report will need to note that the signs do not conform to the sign guidelines.

Motion, moved by Terry and seconded by David to approve the Ghost Community Signage concept, using "circa" in full, as was circulated. Motion was carried.

Conestogo Mill Property

Bonnie suggested that the former mill and adjacent house be toured as part of the annual Heritage Committee tour, as well as tour the Conestogo Public School. It was agreed to contact both properties for our June tour.

Covered Bridge Replica

Staff gave an update on the replica of the bridge that is proposed to be displayed in the Township Hall.

Heritage Bridge in Peel

Winterbourne community is excited about keeping the Peel Street Bridge.

16 Isabella

Hans asked if the designation process has been started. Dan noted that it is in the work plan, and potentially could be completed for the end of June.

CHL signage in West Montrose

The Committee discussed the kind of signage, wording, and where such signage should be placed to identify the CHL. It was suggested that there might be some signage in the road allowance along the perimeter of the CHL and a larger sign in Letson Park explaining the CHL. It was recommended that signs would use the same colours as the proposed Ghost Community Signs. These signs would need Township Council approval.

Hans will draft wording for the signage.

Carnegie Library in Elmira

Is this on the list to be designated? Dan will add it to the list.

Adjourn

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