

The RIDEAU LAKES MUNICIPAL HERITAGE ADVISORY COMMITTEE held a Meeting at the Municipal Office in Chantry on Thursday, **March 21, 2019**.

Mary Ellen Truelove, Clerk, called the meeting to order at 9:30 a.m.

The following Members were in attendance: Council Representative Cathy Livingston; Linda Carr, Don Cooke, Diane Haskins, Betty James, Sue Warren; and Mary Ellen Truelove, Clerk/Secretary.

Chair Doug Bond, George German and Neil Patterson were absent with prior notice.

NOMINATIONS FOR CHAIR:

Mary Ellen Truelove, Clerk, called for Nominations for the position of Chair.

Linda Carr nominated Cathy Livingston who did not accept the nomination.

Linda Carr nominated Sue Warren who did not accept the nomination, but advised she would be interested in serving as an Interim Chair.

Cathy Livingston nominated Doug Bond who had advised in writing that he would be interested in serving as Chair.

No other nominations were heard.

RECOMMENDATION #7-2019

Moved By: Don Cooke

Seconded By: Linda Carr

To pass a Resolution that;

WHEREAS a call for nominations was put forward for the position of Chair of MHAC;

AND WHEREAS Doug Bond's name was put forward for Chair and Sue Warren's name put forward as Interim Chair;

NOW THEREFORE the Municipal Heritage Advisory Committee appoints Doug Bond as Chair and Sue Warren as Interim Chair for the term of this Council.

Carried.

Mary Ellen Truelove, Clerk, called for Nominations for the position of Chair of the Cemetery Sub-Committee.

Ms. Truelove advised that Neil Patterson had advised in writing that he would be interested in serving as Chair of the Cemetery Sub-Committee.

Neil Patterson's name was put forward to be Chair.

RECOMMENDATION #8-2019

Moved By: Betty James
Seconded By: Sue Warren

To pass a Resolution that;

WHEREAS a call for nominations was put forward for the position of Chair of the Cemetery Sub-Committee;

AND WHEREAS Neil Patterson's name was put forward;

NOW THEREFORE the Municipal Heritage Advisory Committee appoints Neil Patterson as Chair of the Cemetery Sub-Committee for the remainder of the term of this Council.

Carried.

Sue Warren assumed the Chair in the absence of Doug Bond.

Sue Warren, Interim Chair, asked for any additions to the Agenda and Mary Ellen Truelove asked that the Composition of the Committee be added under Agenda Item 8.3.

Moved By: Diane Haskins
Seconded By: Councillor Livingston

To Pass a Resolution that;

The agenda be approved and adopted as amended.

Carried.

Interim Chair Warren asked if anyone had a Declaration of Pecuniary Interest and the General Nature Thereof and none were heard.

MINUTES:

Minutes of the previous Meeting held February 21, 2019 were read as distributed to Committee. Interim Chair Warren asked for errors or omissions and none were heard.

RECOMMENDATION #9-2019

Moved By: Diane Haskins
Seconded By: Don Cooke

To pass a Resolution that;

The Municipal Heritage Advisory Committee approves and adopts the Minutes of the MHAC Meeting held February 21, 2019.

Carried.

REPORTS FROM MUNICIPAL OFFICERS:

Financial Update:

RECOMMENDATION #10-2019

Moved By: Councillor Livingston
Seconded By: Betty James

To pass a Resolution that;

The Municipal Heritage Advisory Committee acknowledges the verbal and written Financial update as provided by Mary Ellen Truelove, Clerk.

Carried.

Business Arising: Council Resolution #32-2019 – Cultural Asset Strategic Plan

Committee was provided with a copy of Council Resolution #32-2019 regarding the Cultural Asset Strategic Plan and Mary Ellen Truelove, Clerk, advised that the individual hired to prepare the Plan will work closely with MHAC and provide updates at the monthly meetings.

Composition of MHAC:

Mary Ellen Truelove, Clerk, advised that amendments to the composition of the Committee were completed at the March 4th Council meeting. Council reviewed the Expression of Interest forms received during a closed session held at the same meeting and decided to appoint all who had submitted forms. This required another amendment to the Establishing By-Law for MHAC.

A discussion was held and members agreed to have the composition of the Committee be open to 8 to 10 members at-large and one Council member and eliminate the representation per Ward.

Mary Ellen Truelove, Clerk, advised that a Report would go to the Municipal Services Committee meeting on Monday recommending the change as discussed.

REPORTS FROM COMMITTEE MEMBERS:

Cemetery Update:

Mary Ellen Truelove, Clerk, advised the following:

- Stevens Cemetery went before the Judge at the beginning of March. The Judge signed the Order and we are awaiting registration on Title.
- Message from Neil Patterson reminding members of the Cemetery Symposium on June 22nd at the Forfar Hall/Cemetery at 9:30 a.m. The Symposium will include:
 - Speakers on how to repair and clean stones properly including a demonstration in the Forfar Cemetery.
 - Presentation on legal actions in restoration of abandoned cemeteries, the Provincial Cemetery Act and genealogy available from cemetery stones
 - Cost is \$20 and Lunch will be served
 - Abandoned Cemetery volunteers and active operating cemetery personnel will be invited as well as Genealogy and Heritage-Interested persons.

Delta Community Development Status:

Cathy advised the following:

- Council approved 1st phase of the Delta Waterfront plan
- Meeting next week with Michelle Jones and Brittany Mulhern

Portland: Gallagher House, Emmanuel Church, Community Hall:

Gallagher House Property: Cathy advised that there are no updates.

Emmanuel Church: Betty James and Diane Haskins advised that they had a Portland Historical Society Meeting. The Diocese has been patient with the Society on finding a solution to the use of the Church and have provided a deadline of the end of June. The Society will be requesting an extension to the end of July.

Discussion was held with regards to the Municipality's involvement and the following motion was brought forward:

RECOMMENDATION #11-2019

Moved By: Linda Carr
Seconded By: Diane Haskins

To pass a Resolution that;

The Municipal Heritage Advisory Committee recommends to Council that immediate discussions take place between the Portland on the Rideau Historical Society and the Municipality with regards to the future use of the Portland Emmanuel Church.

Carried.

Newboro – Drummond Streetscape Update:

Curtains have been placed in one of the buildings.

Heritage Network/Symposium:

Councillor Livingston advised the following:

- Reviewed Agenda for the day
- Doug has agreed to provide a *PowerPoint* presentation of the Delta Walking Tour instead of the wagon ride around the village. If Committee agrees, the presentation will be moved to the end of the day so everyone is gathered back at the Old Town Hall. Committee agreed.

Don Cooke suggested that the Chair of the Upper Canada District School Board be invited to say a few words at the beginning of Symposium. Don will contact for availability.

Suggestion was made that a small canvas print (Delta Mill) be provided as a door prize for paid participants. Mary Ellen Truelove, Clerk, advised she will have Ginny order a print to give away.

Selection of Photos for Framing:

Sue Warren provided Heritage Delta area photos for the Committee to consider framing. Sue will have some South Elmsley photos for the next meeting for Committee to review and a decision on which ones and how many to have framed.

CORRESPONDENCE:

Leeds County Heritage Network:

Correspondence was received from the Leeds County Heritage Network requesting funding to help cover costs of promoting the history of the area.

RECOMMENDATION #12-2019

Moved By: Diane Haskins
Seconded By: Councillor Livingston

To pass a Resolution that:

WHEREAS correspondence was received from the Leeds County Heritage Network requesting a \$100 contribution to cover the costs to promote their rural history as the organization currently has no funding;

NOW THEREFORE the Municipal Heritage Advisory Committee agrees to support the Leeds County Heritage Network in the amount of \$100 to be taken from the conference/seminar line in the MHAC budget.

Carried.

Steve Nickerson: Stone embankment at Jones Falls:

Committee reviewed correspondence from Mr. Steve Nickerson concerning the Stone Embankment off Lock Road in Jones Falls with regards to the heavy truck traffic related to the restoration of the locks. Mary Ellen Truelove, Clerk, advised that she has discussed with Dan Chant, Roads Coordinator who will discuss with Parks Canada once the snow is gone.

UPCOMING EVENTS:

- Delta Maple Syrup Festival: April 21/22
- Rideau Lakes Heritage Symposium (Delta Old Town Hall): April 26
- Rideau Lakes Cemetery Symposium (Forfar Hall/Cemetery): June 22

LETTERS TO OWNERS WITH HERITAGE IMPROVEMENTS: None

OTHER:

Sue Warren advised that Hotel Kenney will not open in 2019.

Don Cooke advised that a fundraiser for the Royal Sappers & Miners was held at the Newboro Hall recently, organized by Sheila Simms. Doug Bond was the speaker of Geological history in the area. The event was well attended. The fee was \$15 with approximately \$900 going towards the Sappers & Miners Cemetery.

Don Cooke suggested that this may be a good way to fundraise for the Portland Historical Society with regards to the Portland Emmanuel Church. He will contact Sheila Simms, and Diane and Betty will work toward obtaining a speaker.

Next Meeting: April 18th at 9:30 a.m. at the Municipal Office in Chantry.

Moved By: Councillor Livingston
Seconded By: Linda Carr

To Pass a Resolution that;

The meeting be adjourned at 11:30 a.m.

Carried.

Doug Bond, Chairperson

Mary Ellen Truelove, Clerk