

The Corporation Of The Municipality Of Chatham-Kent

Municipal Heritage Committee

Room 212, Civic Centre

June 19, 2019 6:30 P.M.

The Municipal Heritage Committee met on the above date with the following members present:
Chair: Chris Williams, Members: Dave Benson, Gerri Delannoy, James Griffin, Patricia Pook,
Susan Simpson, Katharine Smyth, Loretta Storey, John Taylor and Ron Vanrabaeys.

Staff In Attendance: Wendy McFadden and Anthony Jas, Planning Services

Guests In Attendance:

Regrets Received: Lisa Gilbert, Melanie Simpson and Councillor John Wright

Provision For Disclosure Of Conflict Of Interest And The General Nature Thereof:

The Chair asked if any member had a conflict of interest with any of the items on the agenda, in accordance with *The Municipal Conflict of Interest Act*.

Recess To Closed Session:

There were no items discussed in Closed Session.

Adjournment Of Closed Session:

Presentation:

Howard Mutual Insurance – Paul Spence from Howard Mutual Insurance Company, Ridgetown attended the meeting for a question and answer session. The Committee explained the difference between a designated home compared to a home displaying a plaque. Replacement values, how certain historical items could be insured were also discussed.

Approval Of Minutes From Previous Meeting:

Moved by Jim Griffin, Seconded by Katharine Smyth

“That the Minutes of the Municipal Heritage Committee, held on May 15, 2019 be approved.”

Motion Carried

Ontario Heritage Act:

a) Intent To Designate (Update)

Prince Albert Baptist Church, 9388 Cedar Hedge Line, Chatham Township – At the June 10, 2019 meeting Council passed the motion to proceed with the designation. The Notice of Intention to Designate will be served. If there are no objection(s) the final request to designate comes back to Council.

North Buxton Community Church, 21991 A.D.Shadd Road, Raleigh Township – The report has been drafted. Waiting on feedback from both the BME and the Congregation which will then be included into the Planning report.

Sicklesteel-Newkirk-Thompson Inn, 8800 Talbot Trail, Harwich Township – The report has been drafted. Dave Benson will provide pictures to be included in the Planning report with a target meeting of August 12.

30 Ellwood Avenue, Chatham – The designation report will be drafted in sequence with other items. Committee will be updated on status at next meeting.

Ridge House Museum – The report has been drafted and is being reviewed by administrative staff. Committee will be updated on status at next meeting.

b) Request For Designation:

109 Erie Street South, Merlin – deferred until the August 21, 2019 meeting.

c) Updated Designation Reports:

68 London Road, Thamesville – At the June 10, 2019 meeting Council passed the motion to remove 68 London Road, Thamesville from the Heritage Register. Planning Services will update the Municipal Heritage Register.

595 Wallace Street, Wallaceburg – At the June 24, 2019 meeting Council will either pass a motion to (i) proceed with the removal of 595 Wallace Street, Wallaceburg from the Municipal Heritage Register to allow for demolition of the building to proceed or (ii) proceed with designating the property under Part IV of the Ontario Heritage Act. The mandatory 60-days notice concludes on June 26, 2019. Chris Williams will make a deputation to Council.

Moved by Katharine Smyth, Seconded by Loretta Storey

“That Council move to designate the property known as 595 Wallace Street, in the Community of Wallaceburg, based on its historical, architectural, contextual and cultural signification. This property was home to the town’s first mayor and notable early industrialist who had connections to many businesses that were essential in the town’s development, including the Wallaceburg Cooperage Company, the Sydenham Glass Company, and the Canadian and Dominion Sugar Company. This property is one of the two most significant properties in Wallaceburg”.

The motion was put to a vote resulting in the motion being carried at 9 to 1.

Committee Activities:

a) Committee Goals & Objectives 2019-2022

- i) New Heritage Home Owners Gift Packages
90 Park Street – Haddington Villa New Owner Welcome Event
Was held on June 3, 2019. The event was well attended with the Mayor and Media in attendance.
- ii) Chatham-Kent Association of Realtors – Annual Board Meeting
Vendor booth promoting heritage – mid December event.
- iii) Mayor’s Heritage Preservation Awards
Change to a 4 year term event instead of a yearly event.
- iv) Chatham-Kent Heritage Day
One day event promoting heritage with seminars, workshops, etc.
- v) Heritage Walking & Driving Tours
Could be done once or twice a year – do a tour of designated home.
- vi) Public Awareness Media Blitz
Host Information Nights at the Libraries – could be hosted in each community.
- vii) Heritage Designated Property Grant Program
This would be a budget item – target fall - revisit for 2020 or 2021 budget.
- viii) Doors Open Chatham-Kent
For consideration at a later date.
- ix) Heritage Plaques
The homeowners should contribute funds towards the plaques and these funds used for installation of the plaques.

Chris Williams will create a calendar for each activity to be reviewed by the Committee.

b) Municipal Heritage Property Register – no new additions identified.

c) Bill 108 – Ontario Heritage Act – Planning will draft an information report to Council regarding the changes from Bill 108. The Committee will have an opportunity to review this report before the final report goes to Council.

d) Information Package

- i) Bert Duclos – the Committee received the brochure on his new heritage consulting service.
- ii) 2019 Meeting Schedule Calendar – the revised calendar was circulated to the Committee.

Other Business:

Dresden's Hometown Heritage Event – the Committee received information on this July 19th event. There are three options available – (1) Trillium Trail Walk (2) Talk and Walk and (3) Self-Guided Quality Hill Walk or Drive. Local restaurants and the Legion will be offering specials to registered participants.

Time, Date and Place For Next Meeting Of The Committee:

Chatham-Kent Civic Centre, Room 212
315 King Street West, Chatham
6:30 p.m., August 21, 2019

Adjournment:

Moved by Katharine Smyth, Seconded by Patricia Pook

“That the Municipal Heritage Committee adjourn at 9:07 p.m.”