

HISTORICAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE

MINUTES

Held Monday September 11, 2017 at 2:00 p.m.
In the Classroom, Town Hall

PRESENT: Mary Watson, Chair
Lindsay Neale, Vice Chair
Rod Reynolds, Secretary
Art Dyer
Nancy Ludlow
Andrea Fay, Clerk
Bonnie Smith, Councillor
GUEST: Joe Belanger, Councillor
ABSENT: Marilyn Becroft

1. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order by M. Watson at 2:05 p.m.

2. DISCLOSER OF PRECUNIARY INTEREST – none

3. MINUTES OF LAST MEETING

Moved by L. Neale, Seconded by A. Dyer Resolution 2017-09-01
THAT the Historical Advisory Committee minutes of July 10, 2017, be accepted, as amended.
CARRIED

4. DEPUTATIONS/PRESENTATIONS – none

5. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

- a) Dardanella Status: No report on the Dard as tenants are occupying the space. Council will deal with this matter at their next meeting. We will leave this item on the agenda as we must prepare our recommendation.
- b) Van Vlack Interpretive Sign: The Van Vlack interpretive sign has been installed in the Main Street Bridge garden.
- c) Marlwood Historical Designation: Considerable discussion ensued as to whether or not Marlwood Golf Course and Clubhouse should be designated as an historical site, with many points for and against each item. It was agreed that we need some guidance from a heritage expert and/or our town planner so that we can make an informed decision. The Clerk was instructed to invite the Manager of Planning to the next meeting.

6. SUB-COMMITTEE REPORTS

- a) History Day Open House Committee: L. Neale advised that the committee is working hard to get the "WAY BACK WHEN" event up and running for the September 30, 11-4. The general public invitations were included with the July water bill, and 200 private invitations have been mailed. It has been advertised on social media and posted in the newspaper. Marlwood will allow early set up on Friday as they have security in place. Marlwood will regularly replenish the food during the event. There will be two screens showing home movies and handouts. There are about a dozen sponsors. There was a request to take the motorcycle and carousel horse to the

event, however, after discussion, the Committee was not in favour of moving them from Town Hall due to their fragile nature.

7. NEW BUSINESS

- a) Staff Update: The Clerk reported that our budget request is \$6000, to cover more interpretive signs and \$2000 for committee operations.
- b) Council Update – B. Smith reported that the beach master plan meetings have gone very well and the Town web site will be unchanged for 4 months due to the IT person being on sick leave. There is an on line survey concerning the community hub and they are working hard on the budget.

8. ITEMS FOR FUTURE MEETINGS

- a) Wasaga Beach Walking Tour: We will wait until spring.
- b) Oral and written Stories: It was suggested that we use the stories that were in the newspaper and from other sources and have a story night at the library once a month.
- c) The French Connection: It was noted that the number of French visitors has increased and it would be good to see a connection with Ste. Marie Among the Hurons and vice versa.

9. DATE OF NEXT MEETING – Monday, October 2, 2017

10. ADJOURNMENT

The chair adjourned the meeting at 3:14 p.m.