

# St. Catharines Heritage Advisory Committee

## Minutes

Thursday, July 09, 2015

Burgoyne Woods Room at 5:00pm

### Attendance:

Gail Benjafield  
Nancy Cameron  
John Crawley  
Dennis Gannon  
Marty Mako  
Robin McPherson  
Brian Narhi  
Mike Sullivan  
Holly Washuta

### Council:

Carlos Garcia

### Staff Liaison:

Kevin Blozowski, Planning and Building Services  
Charlotte McEwan, Planning and Building Services

### Public:

Paul Chapman, Niagara Division of the Canadian Railway Heritage Association

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1. **Call meeting to order (Chair)**  
Robin McPherson took the chair and called the meeting to order in the Burgoyne Woods Room at 5:00pm
  2. **Additions/Deletions to the Agenda**  
There were no additions or deletions to the Agenda.
  3. **Motion to approve the agenda**  
Moved by: John Crawley  
  
That the SCHAC ratify and adopt the agenda for this SCHAC meeting held on Thursday, July 9, 2015, copies having been previously distributed.

**CARRIED**

4. **Motion to adopt the minutes of the previous meeting**

Moved by: Mike Sullivan

That the SCHAC ratify and adopt the minutes, as revised, of the SCHAC meeting held on Thursday, June 11, 2015, copies having been previously distributed.

**CARRIED**

5. **Presentations (invited guests)**

**5.1** Paul Chapman – NS&T Railway Heritage Interpretation Plaque for Lakeside Park

The Niagara Division of the Canadian Railway Heritage Association is proposing to install an interpretation board in Lakeside Park. Paul Chapman distributed background material in support of the request. The Division is asking the SCHAC for a financial commitment for 100% of the estimated cost of the board and the installation based on quotation from Fontasy Signs depending upon the final size (\$2,500 to \$3,600). This board along with others proposed by the Division could become part of an NS&T Heritage Tour. As currently proposed, this would take at least three more years to complete. The preferred location for the sign is on the walkway, close to the existing pavilion.

The Committee supported the project in principle, posing questions regarding the level of funding and reserving the right to review the final text of the board.

It was then,

Moved by: Mike Sullivan

That the proposal to install an interpretation board commemorating the NS&T Railway in Lakeside Park be endorsed in principle and that a maximum of \$3600 be provided for the project. The Committee reserves the right to review the final text of the board.

**CARRIED**

6. **Business arising from the minutes**

There was no business arising from the minutes.

7. **Business**

**7.1** Proposed Amendment to Designating By-law

Address: 160-168 St. Paul Street

File No: 10.64.134 A

The City has entered into an Agreement of Purchase and Sale for the purchase of part of the property known municipality as 160-168 St. Paul Street, identified as Part 1 on Plan 30R-14363. The title search revealed a registration which designated the property at 160-168 St. Paul Street of architectural value and of historic interest on July 4, 1986. Schedule "A" to the By-law describes the real property designated as being of architectural and historic value or interest and appears to include all of the lands owned by the owner, including Part 1 on 30R-14363. Schedule "B," however, details the reasons for designation and refers to the two storey brick structure. This description excludes the lands described as Part 1 on 30R-14363.

Staff propose an amendment of By-law 86-53 to amend Schedule "A" so as to remove Part 1 on 30R-14363 as this portion of the property is clearly not included within the legal description as set out in Appendix "B" to the By-law.

It was then,

Moved by: Marty Mako

That Designation By-law 86-53 pertaining to 160 St. Paul Street be amended by removing Part 1 on Plan 30R-14363 from Schedule "A" of the by-law.

**CARRIED**

7.2 City Initiated Official Plan Amendment and Zoning By-law Amendment  
Address: 52 Lakeport Road (Dalhousie House)  
File No: OPA – 60.30.322  
ZBA – 60.35.1007

On April 13, 2015, Council directed Staff to undertake the process to widen the land use permissions for 52 Lakeport Road (Dalhousie House). A new HVAC system has been installed, the building has been re-pointed, and the retaining wall at the rear of the building along the rear of canal street has been reinforced.

Constructed around 1850, Dalhousie House was once part of the Muir Brothers Dry Docks and ship building yard. In the latter years it was owned by Port Weller Dry Docks Limited. At the time the dry dock facilities fell into disrepair. In the 1970s the building was renovated using funds from the Neighbourhood Improvement Plan and Wintario, and became known as Dalhousie House. Over the years, the building has been used by local citizens group Port Dalhousie Quorum as a community centre and as a senior citizen's centre. It is currently vacant.

The SCHAC supported the proposal to widen land use permissions on the lands.

It was then,

Moved by: Brian Narhi

That the SCHAC supports the widening of land use permissions for 52 Lakeport Road (Dalhousie House) to establish a long term viable use for the premises and preservation of this heritage asset.

**CARRIED**

**7.3 Updates from Sub-Committees**

**7.3.1 Designations, Plaquing and Ceremonies**

N/A

**7.3.1 Public Outreach and Education**

N/A

**7.3.1 Research and Inventory**

The first meeting of this sub-committee will be held on August 5, or 6, 2015.

**7.3.1 Heritage Districts**

N/A

**8. Date of next meeting**

Thursday, August 13, 2015

**9. Motion to Adjourn**

There being no further items of business, the meeting adjourned at 6:15pm

Minutes by: Charlotte McEwan

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**Next Regular Meeting – Thursday July 9, 2015  
Burgoyne Woods Room, Third Floor, City Hall**