

St. Catharines Heritage Advisory Committee

Minutes

Thursday, November 10, 2016

Burgoyne Woods Room at 4:30 pm

Members:

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

Council:

Councillor Mike Britton
Councillor Carlos Garcia

Staff Liaison:

Kevin Blozowski, Planning and Building Services
Hailey McWilliam, Planning and Building Services

Public:

John Burtniak
Maurice Gomme

1. Call meeting to order (Chair)

Robin McPherson called the meeting to order at 4:32 pm.

2. Additions/Deletions to the agenda

There were no additions or deletions to the agenda.

3. Motion to approve the agenda

Moved by: Mike Sullivan

“That the SCHAC ratify and adopt the agenda for this SCHAC meeting held on Thursday, November 10, 2016, copies having been previously distributed.”

CARRIED

4. Motion to adopt the minutes of the previous meeting

Moved by: Gail Benjafield

“That the SCHAC ratify and adopt the minutes, as revised, of the SCHAC meeting held on Thursday, October 13, 2016, copies having been previously distributed.”

CARRIED

5. Presentations (invited guests)

5.1 Gomme/Burtniak Street Name Project

In May, Mr. Maurice Gomme and Mr. John Burtniak presented the street name project to the Committee. Their presentation was well received and the Committee expressed interest in helping the author (Mr. Gomme) make the information available to the public. Since then, the author has provided the City with a hard copy and electronic versions of his work. The text version is complete, however illustrations would be of assistance (pictures and maps). The SCHAC considered various options to make Mr. Gomme’s work available to the public, including the Committee’s website, the library website, and special collections, to name a few. Mr. Gomme and Mr. Burtniak will proceed with final edits to the document and staff will investigate how a collaborative effort with the Museum may be possible to obtain illustrations either gratis or at a nominal cost.

It was then,

Moved by: Nancy Cameron

“That Mr. Maurice Gomme and Mr. John Burtniak be commended for their efforts on this project”.

CARRIED

6. Business arising from the minutes

N/A

7. Business

**7.1 Rodman Hall
Heritage Designation**

Rodman Hall is on the City's Register of Non-designated Heritage Properties. Recently, the future of the building, which is owned by Brock University, has been the subject of public town hall sessions. Brock's agreement to maintain the building as an art gallery for 20 years expires in 2023 and it is exploring options moving towards that date. Over the years the City's heritage committees have consistently sought a means towards obtaining a heritage designation for the property. Some research has been completed. It is considered prudent that Council direct the Committee towards proceeding with a possible future heritage designation.

It was then,

Moved by: Gail Benjafeld

"That research be compiled on Rodman Hall towards a possible future heritage designation. The draft research should be compiled by the end of February, 2017".

CARRIED

8. Updates from Sub-Committees

8.1 Designations, Plaquing and Ceremonies

A final quote for the Ten Broeck plaque is forthcoming.

Holly Washuta and John Crawley presented the framed history for Diana Sweets on October 20, 2016. The Committee discussed the possibility of including the date of the presentation and recognizing the Committee on future plaques. John Crawley will discuss the feasibility of including the information on the plaques with the framing company.

8.2 Public Outreach and Education (POE)

The WW1 themed library display was set up on October 31st and will be in place until the end of November. The display was featured in a Cogeco TV segment, coordinated by Marty Mako, and in articles in The Standard and Niagara At Large.

Staff will arrange a date and time to take down the display with the library.

The SCHAC acknowledges Corlene Taylor, David Webb and Kathleen Powell for their contributions to the display.

Robin McPherson and Kathleen Powell presented at the Ontario Museum Conference in Mississauga on November 3rd. The presentation featured research completed by Brian Narhi and was mapped by Dennis Walker.

8.3 Research and Inventory (R & I)

The meeting scheduled for November 9th was postponed. Members emailed in updates in lieu of meeting.

The next meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, December 14th, at 4:30 pm.

8.4 Heritage Districts

The next SCHAC meeting will be held jointly with the SCHPAC on December 8, 2016 at 4:30pm. The meeting will be solely dedicated to the Port Dalhousie Secondary Plan and Heritage Conservation District update. The City's consulting team will be making a presentation and receiving comments.

9. Information/Correspondence

N/A

10. Date of Next Meeting

Thursday, December 08, 2016

11. Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 5:55 pm

**Next Regular Meeting – Thursday, December 8, 2016
Burgoyne Woods Room, Third Floor, City Hall**