

St. Catharines Heritage Advisory Committee

Minutes

Thursday, December 14, 2017

Burgoyne Woods Room at 4:30 pm

Members:

Gail Benjafield
Dennis Gannon
Marty Mako
Robin McPherson
Brian Narhi
Mike Sullivan
Holly Washuta

Council:

Carlos Garcia

Absent:

Nancy Cameron
John Crawley

Staff Liaison:

Kevin Blozowski, Planning and Building Services
Dylan Prowse, Planning and Building Services
Jim Riddell, Planning and Building Services

Public:

Tom Arkell, Brock University

1. Call meeting to order (Chair)

Brian Narhi called the meeting to order at 4:35 pm.

2. Additions/Deletions to the agenda

Paul Chapman requested that item 5.1 be deferred to a meeting in early 2018.

3. Motion to approve the agenda

Moved by: Robin McPherson

“That the SCHAC ratify and adopt the agenda for this SCHAC meeting held on Thursday, December 14, 2017 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 of the SCHAC meeting held on Thursday, November 9, 2017, copies having been previously distributed.”

CARRIED

5. Presentations (Invited Guests)

None

6. Business arising from the Minutes

There was no business arising from the Minutes.

7. Business

7.1 Rodman Hall (109 St. Paul Crescent)
Heritage Designation
File No. 10.64.187

At its October 12, 2017 meeting, the SCHAC discussed the possible designation of Rodman Hall and passed a motion receiving the Draft Historical Overview of Rodman Hall report, prepared by Brian Narhi. The draft background report details the heritage attributes of Rodman Hall, including the interior of the building and grounds.

Based on the discussion at the October meeting, Brian Narhi has finalized the draft report for further consideration towards possible designation.

Following presentation of the report and discussion in October, the SCHAC evaluated the property based on the Rating System for Built Heritage Resources. The property was assigned a score of 90 out of 100 points, resulting in a Priority 1 rating, which means the Committee should focus its efforts towards designation.

Tom Arkell attended the meeting on behalf of Brock University. He advised that Brock University is not opposed to the designation and offered floor plans of the premises.

Following discussion concerning the designation it was then,

Moved by: Robin McPherson

“That the report prepared by Brian Narhi, entitled “Historical Overview of “Rodman Hall”, 109 St. Paul Crescent, St. Catharines, Ontario”, be received, as amended, and appended to the Staff report to Council.”

CARRIED

Moved by: Marty Mako

“That the St. Catharines Heritage Advisory Committee recommends that the building (interior and exterior) and grounds at 109 St. Paul Crescent (Rodman Hall) be designated under Part IV of the Ontario Heritage Act to be of cultural heritage value or interest for reasons set out in the report from Brian Narhi, as revised.”

CARRIED

Through correspondence dated November 27, 2017, Brock University has offered its consent to the designation. Staff will prepare a report to Council based upon the committee’s advice.

Carlos Garcia thanked the committee for its work on the project.

8. Updates from Sub-Committees

8.1 Designations, Plaquing and Ceremonies

Mike Sullivan advised that the plaque was presented to the owners of 78-80 Welland Avenue.

The Mayholme Plaque has been funded. The text will be prepared in the near future.

8.2 Public Outreach and Education (POE)

N/A

8.3 Research and Inventory (R & I)

N/A

8.4 Heritage Districts

N/A

9. Information/Correspondence

- Revised Rodman Hall Report prepared by Brian Narhi
- Gail Benjafeld advised that the recent Rodman Hall consultation sessions were well attended and facilitated.
- Carlos Garcia advised that this committee will be consulted concerning the Port Dalhousie development applications.

10. Date of next meeting

Thursday, January 11, 2018

11. Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 5:10 pm

**Next Regular Meeting – Thursday, January 11, 2018
Burgoyne Woods Room, Third Floor, City Hall**

“It is not what you look at that matters. It is what you see”
Henry David Thoreau