

Corporation of the Municipality of South Huron Municipal Heritage Advisory Committee

Minutes

October 12, 2017 – 1:00 p.m. Council Chambers-Olde Town Hall

Members:

Laurie Dykstra, Chair Wayne DeLuca, South Huron Councillor June Hodgson Marion Creery Maureen Cole, Mayor, Ex-Officio

Regrets:

Alec Moore

Others:

Joanne Bowen, Guest

Staff:

Genevieve Scharback, Recording Secretary

1. Call to Order

Chair L. Dykstra called the meeting to order at 1:07 p.m.

2. Agenda Update

Motion:

31-2017

Moved:

M. Creery

Seconded: J. Hodgson

That the Municipal Heritage Committee adopts the agenda for October 12, 2017 as presented.

Disposition: Carried.

3. Disclosure of Pecuniary Interest and the General Nature Thereof

None.

4. Minutes

Motion: 32-2017 Moved: W. DeLuca Seconded: J. Hodgson

That the Municipal Heritage Committee adopts the minutes of September 26, 2017 as presented.

Disposition: Carried.

5. Discussion:

5.1 Historical Sign Wording – Commercial Hotel

The proposed wording for the historical plaque has been approved by South Huron Council and by the building owner.

5.2 Historical Sign Wording – Bissett School

Marion Creery advised that the property owner has approved the proposed wording for the Bissett School historical plaque. She will send correspondence to the owners, Tony and Ruth Ann Drinkwalter, thanking them for allowing the historical plaque to be placed and assuring them that it acknowledges the historical significance of the Bissett School, but is in no way linked to the heritage designation process.

Motion: 33-2017
Moved: W. DeLuca
Seconded: M. Creery

That the Municipal Heritage Advisory Committee recommends to South Huron Council that the attached proposed wording for the Bissett School historical plaque, as researched by the Committee and approved by the property owner, be approved.

Disposition: Carried.

S.S. #5 – Bissett School, Usborne Township

In 1855 a log cabin school was built at Lot 17, Concession 3, on land donated by Mr. James Bissett. The following year the log building was replaced by a frame structure which had one large room heated by a box stove and no basement. In 1901 the frame building was placed on a cement basement wall and the building was brick clad. When the number of registered children increased to seventy-five a second teacher was hired and the room partitioned by hanging sheets down the middle. Bissett School was closed in 1964.

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5.3 Fairfield School, Former Stephen Township

Marion and June will work on the wording for this plaque and report back to the Committee at the next meeting.

5.4 Historical Sign – 150th Time Capsule

Motion:

34-2017

Moved:

M. Creery

Seconded: J. Hodgson

That the Municipal Heritage Advisory Committee recommends to South Huron Council that the following wording for the South Huron Canada 150 Time Capsule sign be approved;

To commemorate Canada's 150th Birthday

This time capsule and its contents have been placed at this site and will be opened in 2067, the year our country celebrates its 200th birthday.

A Canada 150 project sponsored by the Municipality of South Huron Heritage Advisory Committee 2017.

Disposition: Carried.

J. Bowen will investigate pricing, including an estimate to add the municipal logo, as well as production timelines and shipping costs.

5.5 Update on Time Capsule

Laurie Dykstra will compile a list of items to be included in the time capsule for Council's input and approval. A copy will be included in the time capsule and the original will be kept in the Municipal Records.

5.6 Letter for New Qualifying Farms for Recognition of Century Farms

Motion:

35-2017

Moved:

J. Hodgson

Seconded: M. Creery

That the Municipal Heritage Advisory Committee provides the attached letter, Celebrating Our Heritage Family Farms, to South Huron Council with the minutes, as well as to the South Huron Hub.

Disposition: Carried.

5.7 Ontario Heritage Tool Kit

A copy was provided to all Committee members for information.

- 5.8 Other Topics
 - G. Scharback will provide an updated Vision, Mission and Values Statement for the next Committee agenda package.
- 6. Correspondence
 - 6.1 South Huron Council Resolution Include \$3,000 Budget Proposal in 2018 Budget

Received and noted.

7. Next Meeting

The next meeting will be November 2, 2017 at 9:30 a.m.

8. Adjournment

Motion:

36-2017

Moved:

M. Creery

Seconded:

J. Hodgson

That the South Huron Heritage Advisory Committee hereby adjourn at 2:00 p.m. to meet again on November 2, 2017 or at the Call of the Chair.

Disposition: Carried.

Laurie Dykstra, Chair	Recording Secretary

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CELEBRATING OUR HERITAGE FAMILY FARMS

South Huron values its "Century Farm Families" for their leadership, perseverance and commitment. In 2014, the South Huron Heritage Advisory Committee embarked on a research project that would serve to identify the family farms in the former townships of Usborne and Stephen in the Municipality of South Huron whose current owners could trace their roots back for at least one hundred years. The families' successes and sorrows are now very much a part of the fabric that makes up this community. A celebration event was held to acknowledge those Usborne and Stephen families still "at home on the farm" for more than a century.

In the ensuing three years, more farms will have qualified for this recognition and the South Huron Heritage Advisory Committee is continuing its Certificate of Recognition program. Owners who feel they meet the criteria of being a "century farm"—the property must have remained continuously in the same family from 1917~2017—are invited to submit their name to the Committee.

For more information, please contact:

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