



## **REGULAR MEETING OF THE HALDIMAND MUSEUMS ADVISORY BOARD**

Thursday March 24, 2022; 4:30 pm

Haldimand County Administration Building, 53 Thorburn Street, Cayuga and Via ZOOM.

**Present:** Nancy McBride, Colleen Kelly, Clayt Spears; Via Zoom: Fred Stevenson Francis, Jill Shea;

**Regrets:** Rob Shirton, Charles Gillyatt, Lynne King.

**Staff:** Anne Unyi Supervisor, Heritage & Culture; Karen Richardson, Curator, Heritage Centre; Megan Turner, Community Partnerships Liaison, Community Development & Partnerships; Via Zoom: Dana Stavinga, Curator, Wilson MacDonald Memorial School Museum.

1. **Call to Order.** The Chair called the meeting to order at 4:35 pm.
2. **Approval of the Agenda**  
Recommendation by Clayt Spears and Colleen Kelly that the agenda dated March 24, 2022 be approved as presented. **Approved**
3. **Disclosure of conflict of interest and general nature thereof.** None
4. **Approval of the Minutes:**  
Recommendation by Clayt Spears and Fred Stevenson Francis that the Haldimand Museums Advisory Board dated September 16, 2021 and November 17, 2021 be accepted as presented. **Approved**
5. **Business Arising**
  - 5.1 **Grants**
    - 5.1.1 Community Museums Operating Grant  
Completed “report back” requirements requested CMOG for the March 22<sup>nd</sup> deadline.
    - 5.1.2 **Young Canada Works 2021-2022**  
Collections Technician Intern will conclude March 31<sup>st</sup>; 16 week placement beginning November 29<sup>th</sup>.  
Applications for 2022-2023 were submitted in January; requesting two summer positions (12-weeks each), Collections Assistant and one Intern (25-week position) – Educational Programmer (to develop and deliver in-person and virtual programming).
    - 5.1.3 **Museums Assistance Fund: Reopening Fund for Heritage Organizations**  
Successful application; funding awarded in January in the amount of \$37, 826 for the three Haldimand Museums. Funding is to assist with operating expenses.
  - 5.2 **Scavenger Hunt**  
Colleen Kelly led discussion with staff and Board members present including the “story walk” idea. QR codes for three locations using digital augmented reality (The Crystal Palace, Birks Clock and Griffin House) developed by Experience Commons for the Hamilton Public Library were viewed with expressions made as to the viability of producing something similar using Haldimand landmarks and existing research created by Museums’ staff.
6. **Curator’s Reports**
  - 6.1 Haldimand Museums Reports:
    - 6.1.1 Wilson MacDonald Memorial School Museum
    - 6.1.2 Heritage Centre

6.1.3 Edinburgh Square Heritage & Cultural Centre

The Curators presented an overview of the Q1 activities to the Board; discussion followed.

6.1.4 Haldimand Museums 2021 Overview

The Supervisor, Heritage & Culture presented a summary highlighting the activities and accomplishments for Haldimand Museums during 2021.

Recommendation by Clayt Spears and Jill Shea that the Q1 Curator Reports dated March 24, 2021 and the 2021 Haldimand Museums Overview be approved as presented. **APPROVED**

**7. New Business**

7.1 None.

**8. Receive Communications and Petitions**

8.1 Community & Recreation Facilities Strategy (<https://www.haldimandcounty.ca/haldimand-county-invites-residents-to-in-person-sessions-about-community-recreation-facilities-strategy-on-april-4-5/>).

**9. Discussion/Comments from the floor:**

9.1 The Chair congratulated HMAB members Colleen Kelly and Fred Stevenson Francis on receiving their Ontario Volunteer Service Awards for five and 10 years respectively. Ryan Graham, volunteer at Edinburgh Square Heritage & Cultural Centre also received a five year award.

10. Adjournment: 5:43 pm

**Next Regular Meeting: June 23, 2022 – Haldimand County Administration Building, Haldimand Room.**