

REGULAR MEETING OF THE HALDIMAND MUSEUMS ADVISORY BOARD

Thursday June 22 , 2023; 6:00 pm

Wilson MacDonald Memorial School Museum, 3513 Rainham Road, Selkirk.

Present: Nancy McBride, Colleen Kelly, Dick Passmore, Michaela Chiasson, Rachel Berry; **Regrets** Patrick O'Neill, Melissa Lloyd; **Staff:** Anne Unyi Supervisor, Heritage & Culture; Karen Richardson, Curator, Heritage Centre, Dana Stavinga, Curator, Wilson MacDonald Memorial School Museum, Katrina Schmitz, Manager, Community Development & Partnerships.

1. Call to Order. The Chair called the meeting to order at 6:00 pm.

2. Approval of the Agenda

HM-2023-04 Recommendation by Dick Passmore and Colleen Kelly that the agenda dated June 22, 2023 be approved as presented. **APPROVED**

3. Disclosure of conflict of interest and general nature thereof. None

4. Approval of the Minutes

HM-2023-05 Recommendation by Colleen Kelly and Dick Passmore that the Minutes of the Haldimand Museums Advisory Board dated March 16, 2023 be approved as presented. **APPROVED**

5. Business Arising

- 5.1 Grants
 - 5.1.1 Community Museums Operating Grant (CMOG) The Supervisor, Heritage & Culture provided an update regarding the CMOG program and the requirements of the grant for 2023.
 - 5.1.2 Young Canada Works 2023

The Supervisor, Heritage & Culture provided an update related to Haldimand Museums three successful applications for this year. Wilson MacDonald and Edinburgh Square received funding for two summer positions – 12 weeks, Collections Assistants, to assist with collections projects and the sites and the third, an Intern (September to March, 2024) who will concentrate on the development of virtual programming. Funding for all three positions was awarded at 50% of total wages and benefits.

5.2 Haldimand Museums Strategic Planning The Manager, Community Development & Partnerships presented a high-level review of the first round of discussions with the Curators. Haldimand Museums are evolving and continuing to grow and the HMAB will play a role in the development of the plan.

5.3 Haldimand Museums Accessibility Plans
 The Board was provided with an opportunity to review the Accessibility Plans for the three
 Haldimand Museums' sites. These plans tie to the County's overall accessibility Plan and policy.
 Board members discussed the content of each plan and provided feedback to the Curators.
 HM-2023-05 Recommendation by Rachel Berry and Michaela Chiasson that the Haldimand Museums
 Accessibility Plans 2023 – 2027 be accepted as presented.

5.4 Annual Review: Policy, Roles and Responsibilities As the policies and roles and responsibilities were reviewed with the HMAB in March the information was not reread at this time.

HM-2023-06 Recommendation by Dick Passmore and Rachel Berry that the policies and roles and responsibilities be approved for 2023. **APPROVED**

- 5.5 Overview: Haldimand Museums 2022 Year in Review The Supervisor, Heritage & Culture provided an overview of Haldimand Museums statistics and other information for 2022.
- 5.6 2022 Acquisition/Deaccession Reports for Approval Lists of acquisitions/deaccessions for Edinburgh Square and the Heritage Centre were presented to the HMAB for review and comment.

HM-2023-07 Recommendation by Rachel Berry and Michaela Chiasson that the Acquisition/Deaccession Reports dated June 22, 2023 be approved as presented.

- 6. Curator's Reports (Second Quarter, 2023)
 - 6.1 Wilson MacDonald Memorial School Museum
 - 6.2 Heritage Centre
 - 6.3 Edinburgh Square Heritage and Cultural Centre

The Curators presented an overview of second quarter activities to the Board for discussion.

HM-2023-08 Recommendation by Colleen Kelly and Michaela Chiasson that the Curator's Reports dated June 22, 2023 be approved as presented.

7. New Business

7.1 None

- 8. Discussion/Comments from the floor: 8.1 None
- 9. Adjournment: 7:20 pm

Next Meeting: September 21, 2023

• Location: Haldimand County Administration Building, 53 Thorburn Street S., Cayuga (Haldimand Room)