

**HERITAGE HALDIMAND**  
**Regular Meeting**

Monday October 30, 2023, 7:00 pm  
Haldimand County Administration Building, 53 Thorburn Street S., Cayuga

**Present:** Sylvia Weaver, Deb Zynomirski, Ryan Graham, Toshia Shurr, Cathy Blott, Rick Monture, Marie Trainer; **Regrets:** Savhanna Rayne. **Staff:** Anne Unyi, Supervisor, Heritage & Culture, Megan Turner, Administrative Assistant, Community Development & Partnerships.

**1. Call to order**

Meeting called to order by the Chair at 7:03 p.m.

**2. Approval of Agenda**

Recommendation by Toshia Shurr and Marie Trainer that the agenda dated October 30, 2023 be approved as amended. **APPROVED**

**3. Disclosure and conflict of interest and general nature thereof**

None.

**4. Approval of the Minutes**

Recommendation by Ryan Graham and Sylvia Weaver that the Minutes of the Heritage Haldimand Committee dated June 26, 2023 be approved as presented. **APPROVED**

**5. Business Arising**

**5.1 Review: Municipal Heritage Committee Training Session (September, 2023)**

Discussion related to workshop presentation, which although long, provided useful resource materials for members.

**5.2 Review Properties of Potential Heritage Significance Listing and Next Steps**

Changes to the Ontario Heritage Act (Bill 23) has led to a sense of urgency to recognize and possibly designate properties noted on the County's List of Properties of Potential Heritage Significance. With an end of year 2024 deadline for designation looming that will see all listed properties removed from the County's heritage register, the Chair stated the importance to have the List reviewed by members and suggested that a revised Potentials Listing be presented to Council for approval as early as December 2023 and then the Committee will move ahead with suggesting potentials for designation.

The Chair suggested that heritage districts in Haldimand County be investigated further.

**5.3 Dunnville and Port Maitland Storyboards**

One storyboard remains to be completed -- The Grand River. The draft text has been provided to Rick Monture for comment and editing with the material to be returned on or before November 27.

Once all panels are completed they will be provided to County staff for final review and, following that, be sent to production.

**5.4 Emancipation Day Event**

Follow-up related to the July 30<sup>th</sup> event; it was noted that the descendants of the Freedom Seekers will be taking over the gathering in 2024 and Heritage Haldimand will host a second, complimentary event, during the month of August, 2024.

## **5.5 Street Cemetery**

No report.

## **6. New Business**

### **6.1 Letters to Owners of Designated Properties**

Letters gently reminding owners of their responsibilities under Part IV of the Ontario Heritage Act as it relates to alterations to their properties, have been prepared for the Chair's signature and will be distributed to property owners in early November.

### **6.2 Haldimand Museums**

#### **Caledonia Old Town Hall (Edinburgh Square Heritage & Cultural Centre)**

Window replacement is progressing with work expected to be completed in December, 2023.

#### **Wilson Pugsley Memorial School Museum**

Repairs to stabilize the bell mount atop the school house were completed in September. Full restoration of the roof and bell mount has appears in the 2025 capital budget.

## **7. Correspondence**

7.1 None

## **8. Discussion/Comments from the Floor**

## **9. Adjournment:**

The Chair adjourned the meeting at 9:08 pm.

**Next Meeting (Dinner Meeting)** – November 27, 2023; 6:00pm

Location: Haldimand County Administration Building, Haldimand Room, 53 Thorburn Street South, Cayuga.