

HERITAGE HALDIMAND
Regular Meeting

Monday, January 29, 2024, 7:00 pm

Haldimand County Administration Building, 53 Thorburn Street South, Cayuga

Present: Sylvia Weaver, Deb Zynomirski (Chair), Ryan Graham, Rick Monture, Marie Trainer, Cathy Blott; Via Zoom: Savhanna Rayne

Regrets: Toshia Shurr

Staff: Anne Unyi, Supervisor, Heritage & Culture (Recorder), Katrina Schmitz, Manager, Community Development & Partnerships (CDP)

1. Call to Order

Meeting was called to order by the Chair at 7:06 p.m.

2. Approval of Agenda

Recommendation by Ryan Graham and Rick Monture that the Agenda dated January 29, 2024 be approved as presented. **APPROVED**

3. Disclosure of Conflict of Interest and General Nature Thereof

None.

4. Approval of the Minutes

Recommendation by Marie Trainer and Sylvia Weaver that the Minutes of the Heritage Haldimand Committee dated November 27, 2023 be approved as presented. **APPROVED**

5. Business Arising

5.1 Review of Properties of Potential Heritage Significance – Listing and Next Steps

The Chair led the discussion to prioritize the top 12 properties noted on the List of Properties of Potential Heritage Significance (PoPHS) for possible designation, including identifying which member of the Committee would undertake the required follow up. The Chair requested that the completed researcher answer the who, what, where and why this property is important to Haldimand County. The following properties were chosen and will be further researched:

1. 22 Argyle St. N., Caledonia – Grand Chow Mein House (Ryan Graham)
2. 22 Argyle St. S., Caledonia -- Haldimand House* (Rick Monture)
3. 323 Broad St. W., Dunnville (Ryan Graham)
4. 223 Lock St. W., Dunnville (Deb Zynomirski)
5. 74 Logan Rd., Dunnville – Ettinger Farm (Savhanna Rayne)
6. 2625 Lakeshore Rd. S., South Cayuga (Deb Zynomirski)
7. 10 Talbot St. W., Cayuga – Barney's Garage* (Sylvia Weaver)
8. 224 Regional Road #17, Cayuga* (Deb Zynomirski)
9. 5300 Hwy #6, Caledonia – Forbes Home (Rick Monture)
10. 10 King St., Cayuga* (Sylvia Weaver)
11. 26 Argyle St. N., Caledonia -- Jones' Bakery* (Savhanna Rayne)
12. 17 Front St. N., York (Rick Monture)

***Property not currently on the PoPHS Listing**

Additional properties to be considered:

1. Port Maitland Lock (Marie Trainer)
2. Dr. Jones' Home, Hagersville (Cathy Blott)
3. 10 King Street, Cayuga (Cathy Blott)
4. Knox Presbyterian Church, Dunnville

5.2 Dunnville/Port Maitland Storyboards Review

There was discussion related to the content of the final storyboard to be completed, "The Grand River: Indigenous Story". Rick Monture will be reviewing and finalizing the text, including the additional comments which were recently provided by Darin Wybenga, Traditional Knowledge and Land Use Coordinator, Mississaugas of the Credit First Nation.

CDP Manager Katrina Schmitz reviewed with members that the standard size of each storyboard is 42"x30" and that a word count of 300 words with images will ensure compliance with AODA requirements. She reminded the members that additional content and resources associated with each storyboard will be available on the County's website through the QR code on each storyboard. She will be reviewing all the storyboards in the next two months—including images and associated content for the website—and the budget to determine any additional fund-raising that is required.

5.3 Street Cemetery

CDP Manager Katrina Schmitz provided an update about the Street Cemetery project. During the fall, the County's Facilities, Parks, Cemeteries & Forestry Operations (FPC) staff worked to carefully clear the heritage cemetery of debris, unsafe trees and fencing in order to begin to make the area safe for the public in the future. Additional site work will be completed in the spring. As well, CDP staff have been working with descendants of the Street Family and community volunteers to prepare for the first meeting of the Community Stakeholder Committee, which will begin discussions about the future use and potential promotion of the cemetery. The expectation is that an announcement about the Committee will be made in February (coinciding with Black History Month).

6. New Business

6.1 John Fry House

In December 2023 Supervisor Anne Unyi was contacted by the County's Building Division regarding porch construction that was nearing completion at the John Fry House (designated May 11, 1990). This work was initiated without prior approval from Heritage Haldimand. Once the Committee was made aware, a statement was presented to the owners that the Committee would waive related to the porch reconstruction at this property. The Supervisor noted that, in the future, Heritage Haldimand must be notified by owners prior to the commencement of work/restoration of designated features.

6.2 Squire William Anthony Log Cabin

Revised drawings were presented to the Committee for review. The owners have requested permission to change the roofline of the new addition, which is not part of the designated section of the building, to a design that is more in keeping with the traditional structure. The Supervisor presented a brief overview of Report CDP-02-2023 Heritage Property Alteration Request – Squire William Anthony Log Cabin which outlined changes to the Cabin approved by Council. Heritage Haldimand had no concerns with the proposed changes to the roofline.

6.3 Enniskillen Lodge

The property owner provided an update (January 11, 2024) on the status of the windows which have been ordered and will be installed as soon as possible.

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

The window replacement project is proceeding according to plan; the contractor expects to have the north, south and west sides completed in April. It is hoped the east side of the building will be completed in 2024.

7. Correspondence

7.1 None

8. Discussion/Comments from the Floor

None

9. Adjournment

The Chair adjourned the meeting at 8:26 p.m.

Next Meeting

February 26, 2024; 7:00 p.m.

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