

Township of Wilmot Heritage Wilmot Advisory Committee

Minutes of February 5th, 2020

<u>Present</u>: Nick Bogaert, Elisia Scagnetti, Marg Rowell, Rene Eby, Al Junker, Yvonne Zyma, Patty Clarke, Councillor Jennifer Pfenning, Councillor Barry Fisher, Tracy Loch (Curator)

Regrets: Scott Williams, Artem Voytsekhovskiy, Grant Whittington (CAO)

Meeting was held at the Swartzentruber Room, Township of Wilmot. Meeting started at 6:40 p.m.

Welcome

Chairperson Nick Bogaert welcomed the Committee members to the Heritage Wilmot Advisory Committee meeting. Nick read the Land Acknowledgement.

Disclosure of Pecuniary Interest

None

Review of Minutes from January 8th, 2020

The date of the meeting was incorrect. It will be changed to January 8th, 2020. MOVED by Barry SECONDED by Patty ALL in favour

Business

Information Package to assist property owners

No update at this time. The Committee will revisit this at the next meeting.

Heritage Day 2020

Currently, there have been 20 exhibitors who have registered to participate in Heritage Day. Since this is a larger number than the previous event held in New Dundee, the layout of the community centre will need to be revised. It was suggested that more rectangular tables might help to organize the room, so Tracy will reach out to Facilities to see if some tables could be added. Tracy has also booked the space for setup on Friday morning, with Nick, Barry, Elisia, Yvonne, Marg and Tracy available to help with the setup. It was suggested that on the day of the event, there could be Committee members in rotating shifts at the entrance tables to greet visitors and guide them inside.

Tracy has submitted information about our Heritage Day to The Ontario Heritage Trust and is now posted on their website. She has asked members of the Committee to place the remaining posters in other community spaces around the Township.

New Business

Request for Committee support – Heritage Grant Application

St. James Lutheran Church in Baden has contacted Heritage Wilmot asking for the Committee's support in a Waterloo Regional Heritage Foundation (WRHF) grant application. They are looking into repairs to the steeple of the building. The top section with louvers is in need of repair due to rot and weather damage.

The Committee discussed the possible repairs and the possibility of applying for the grant. It was agreed that the Committee supports the general intent of St. James Lutheran Church to restore the steeple, but would need to receive more information about the project before agreeing to support the grant application or a heritage permit application.

<u>ACTION</u>: Nick will email St. James Lutheran Church advising of the discussion and asking them to provide more details about the project and their application.

Heritage Permit Application – 90 Peel Street, New Hamburg

The hair salon that has moved the building at 90 Peel Street has submitted to Development Services an application for a new front awning and sign. Heritage Wilmot has been circulated for comment since the business is part of the Heritage Conservation District. After reviewing the plans and examples of the sign, the Committee agreed that it met all the requirements of the Heritage Conservation District by-laws. Nick will pass the Committee's approval on to Development Services.

Members of the Committee also agreed that it might be of interest to send a reminder to property owners and tenants of the buildings in the New Hamburg Conservation District about the by-laws associated with the District. This could be completed by the sub-committee currently working on the information package to property owners of designated properties.

Request for Committee support – 1130 Snyder's Road West, Baden Heritage Grant

The owners of the Wagler House, a designated property, have requested Heritage Wilmot's support in a possible heritage grant application to WRHF. The property owners are looking to replacing the roof of the main house with a new metal roofing system. After some discussion, members agreed that they were unsure whether the WRHF would support a new metal roof, as they usually encourage restoring original designs and materials. However, a new roof would also help to ensure the main structure is protected from the elements. Patty offered to reach out to the Foundation to ask for more clarity about process and the type of restoration that would be supported. She also volunteered to speak to the property owners about the application process.

Information Sharing

Tracy circulated some new generic Heritage Wilmot business cards to Committee members to assist with interacting with the public and promoting the committee. She also circulated a contact sheet for Committee members to verify and make changes to their own contact information.

Adjournment – 8:02 p.m. MOVED by Jenn

Next meeting – March 4th, 2020