



## HERITAGE WILMOT

Township of Wilmot  
**Heritage Wilmot Advisory Committee**

Minutes of December 4<sup>th</sup>, 2019

Present: Nick Bogaert, Elisia Scagnetti, Marg Rowell, Rene Eby, Al Junker, Yvonne Zyma, Patty Clarke, Scott Williams, Artem Voytsekhovskiy, Councillor Barry Fisher, Tracy Loch (Curator)

Regrets: Councillor Jennifer Pfenning, Grant Whittington (CAO)

Meeting was held at the Swartzentruber Room, Township of Wilmot. Meeting started at 6:45 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 December 4, 2019**

A spelling error was noted on page 2 in the last paragraph in the section. The spelling will be corrected.

MOVED by Rene

SECONDED by Al

ALL in favour

### **Business**

#### **Heritage Wilmot Work Plan**

Nick circulated a handout listing current and long-term projects that were discussed by Committee members at the last meeting. Many of these projects have been planned for several years and it was a useful opportunity to review and prioritize. The Committee discussed the projects and felt that it was quite ambitious for the Committee. They also agreed that the document will help guide them and provide focus.

Patty discussed possible plans by her church for a video about Harold and Enid Schmidt and their connection to / involvement in the local community. It was agreed that Heritage Wilmot would like to provide support for such a project in terms of research and collection of

materials. Tracy also suggested that the Trails Committee may be interested in this project as it pertains to Schmidt Woods.

**MOTION:** To adopt the current list of projects for the Heritage Wilmot Advisory Committee.  
MOVED by Rene  
SECONDED by Barry  
ALL in favour

### **Information Package for Non-Designated Property Owners**

Barry and Rene met before the holiday break to discuss the project. They are interested in creating a 3-fold pamphlet to outline the various roles of Heritage Wilmot as well and the purpose of the Non-Designated Register.

Elisia is currently working on creating mailing labels for all property owners on the Register. She has completed almost half of the list.

### **Heritage Day 2020**

An invitation letter will be sent to all places of worship with in the Township after the meeting. Tracy circulated a document listing the places she currently has on file and asked members of the Committee to check the list and add any groups that might have been missed. She also circulated a draft of the letter for the presenters and asked for any corrections or additions. Once the labels and letters are updated, Tracy will organize into groups and ask that members assign themselves to a few at the next meeting. The Committee members will be the point-of-contact for some of the places of worship, to provide a link to Heritage Wilmot and assist with questions, etc.

Rene has been in contact with the New Dundee Women's Institute and they are delighted to provide a variety of soups to be sold for lunch on the day of the event.

Members of the Committee discussed the possibility of awards to be presented during Heritage Day. It was agreed that the focus should be on the theme, similar to the event last year with a PowerPoint presentation and lecture. Al volunteered to put together a talk / lecture to present during the Heritage Day activities.

### **New Business**

#### **2020 Meeting Schedule**

The draft meeting schedule was circulated to members of the Committee. Heritage Wilmot will continue to meet on the first Wednesday of each month at 6:30 p.m. July and August will have no meetings unless it is determined by the members that one is required to address any urgent projects or activities.

### **Correspondence**

#### **Sign Change Application**

The former New Hamburg Independent offices have now been leased by a hairdressing studio. The new business owner would like to update the façade and replace the awning, which will also feature the business name. During updates on the building, a ceiling medallion was found when the drop ceiling was removed and the business owner will be keeping it intact. She is also going to feature old photographs of the previous businesses

and old hair salon advertisements from the New Hamburg Independent that can be used as artwork in the new space. Castle staff are assisting with this. Tracy circulated the business owner's plans for updates to the awning. The Committee saw no issues or concerns with the plans and endorsed her proposal as it met guidelines in the HCD. Nick will email the business owner to relay that the Committee has no concerns with the plans. Tracy will circulate the Committee's response to Development Services as well.

### **Information Sharing**

Barry brought to the attention of the Committee that Rogers will be adding 25 cable equipment enclosures throughout Baden on various properties. These boxes are quite large and several community members have expressed concerns about the appearance. Barry shared with the Committee some information about decorative wraps that could be used to improve the look of the boxes. Barry circulated some photographs of the wrap that have been used in other locations. He suggested that it might make for a nice beautification project within Baden. Members of the Committee agreed that Heritage Wilmot could provide support in terms of heritage photographs that could be used for the wraps.

Al shared that Paul Knowles is in the process of publishing a 3<sup>rd</sup> edition of his magazine.

Rene shared a book from Zion Lutheran Church and enquired if Tracy had a copy for the archives.

**Adjournment** – 8:07 p.m.  
MOVED by Rene

**Next meeting** – February 5<sup>th</sup>, 2020