

MEETING MINUTES



MEETING **Heritage Guelph**

DATE March 9, 2009

LOCATION Council Committee Room 'C'

TIME 12 Noon

PRESENT Paul Ross – Chair, Lorraine Pagnan, Joan Jylanne (Heritage Planner), Susan Ratcliffe, Christopher Campbell, Lori Gaiardo, Joel Bartlett, Betty Lou Clark, Mary Tivy, Doug Haines, Norm Harrison, Martin Bosch, Ian Panabaker (Manager of Urban Design), Connie Fach (Recording Secretary), Lesley Hayward (via telephone).

REGRETS Leanne Piper

DISCUSSION ITEMS

ITEM #	DESCRIPTION
1	<p><u>Approval of Agenda:</u> Moved by Lorraine Pagnan and seconded by Mary Tivy,</p> <p>“THAT the agenda for the March 9, 2009 meeting of Heritage Guelph be adopted with the following additions: ”Old House Journal”, “248 Suffolk Street West”, Old House Restoration Workshop, Doors Open Guelph”.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">CARRIED</p>
2	<p><u>Declaration of Pecuniary Interest:</u> None</p>
3	<p><u>Approval of Minutes from February 9, 2009</u></p> <p>Moved by Doug Haines and seconded by Lorraine Pagnan,</p> <p>“THAT the minutes of the meeting of February 9, 2009 be approved as written.”</p> <p style="text-align: right;">CARRIED</p>
4.	<p><u>Matters Arising from Previous Minutes</u></p> <p>1820 Gordon Street - Pergola</p>

	<p>Joan advised that the lantern from the former Pergola property is secure and in storage for incorporation into a future development on the site.</p> <p>126 Norwich Street Doug has sent a letter to the new owners but not received a response to date.</p> <p>248 Suffolk Street West Joan advised that the insurance company felt that complete demolition of the house was required. The owner has retained an architect to attempt to save portions of it. Christopher advised that the house was not frame construction as red brick construction has been exposed under the siding.</p>
<p>5.</p>	<p><u>Business Items</u></p> <p>Municipal Register Expansion Proposal Update Joan distributed a flow chart indicating the process for requesting a review of properties. Changes to wording will be incorporated. The Committee feels that the public needs access to criteria for inclusion in the register. Doug volunteered to review Gil Stelter’s literature and Guelph’s 125 year booklet to identify criteria.</p> <p>117 Liverpool Street Ian attended the meeting for this portion and requested comments as soon as possible. He indicated that detailed drawings and interior pictures be required as part of the demolition approval and suggested that Owen Scott should be on site recording the demolition as it occurs. Susan indicated that a former family member of the owner offered to provide information on the history of the building. An arborist report to Planning should be shared with the Committee. Lorraine also expressed an interest in being on site for the demolition. Ian noted that fire training would be conducted on site next week. Leslie’s motion will be used for future demolition approvals.</p> <p>94 Maple Street Ian reported that this property has been sold and it is the new owner’s intent to restore the home and live in it as well as sever 1 or 2 lots. This property was removed from the register when the demolition permit was issued and should be considered for inclusion as part of the next round of additions to the Municipal Register.</p> <p>Guelph Correctional Centre Statement of Heritage Value Joan has spoken to Ellen from (ORC) and indicated the elements which were missing from the statement. While the chapel built in the 1950s is not considered significant, the paintings and murals inside are of interest to the Committee but outside the jurisdiction of the ORC. The Committee also reiterated that the powerhouse and chimney are important features and could be included in the statement. Joan will respond later this week and request a copy of the plan before it is finalized.</p> <p>19 William Street Joan distributed Leanne’s comprehensive land registry search. This item will be dealt with at the next meeting.</p> <p>Diplomat Hotel Martin voiced concerns about the condition. As this property is not designated, there is fear that initiating a property standards inspection could result in older elements being removed. The</p>

	<p>Committee agreed to pursue designation and attempt to find financial assistance for restoration, possibly through the Downtown CIP.</p> <p>Moved by Leslie Hayward and seconded by Betty-Lou Clark,</p> <p>“THAT Heritage Guelph direct staff to complete a background report for the Diplomat Hotel at 72-76 Macdonell Street and bring it back to the Committee so the designation process can be initiated. Further, Heritage Guelph requests that various City departments, and the Downtown Guelph Business Association co-ordinate efforts to deal with potential incentives for similar issues”</p> <p style="text-align: right;">CARRIED</p>
<p>6.</p>	<p><u>Subcommittee & Committee Representative Updates</u> Communications Sub-Committee</p> <p>Susan and Joan met with Stacey Hare from Communications regarding the Committee’s audience and goals. Stacey will try to tidy up the website and asked for a list of heritage sites she could use as examples of how we’d like to see ours set up. The brochures need to be updated to include the new City branding as well as new brochures being created dealing with the municipal register and the heritage inventory. Susan has written an article on the recent designation and plaque ceremony for the City Holler. A page in the City’s calendar would cost \$2000.</p> <p>Susan will follow up with Leanne regarding Guelph being nominated for the Heritage Canada Prince of Wales Award.</p>
<p>7.</p>	<p><u>Information Items and Handouts</u> Old House Journal</p> <p>Lorraine reported on an article in the Old House Journal about looking for the best places to buy an old house. She suggested that the Ward may be the best place, given the recent designations, green restorations, affordability, etc. She will submit this nomination independently. Susan noted that the Guelph Arts Council is currently putting together a walking tour of the Ward.</p> <p>ACO Awards</p> <p>Paul advised of the GWACO request for nominations. He indicated that 6 Heritage Guelph members were ineligible for this discussion or involvement as 4 are members of the HGO Board and 2 others are involved in the ACO awards program.</p> <p>Moved by Betty-Lou Clark and seconded by Lorraine Pagnan,</p> <p>“THAT Douglas Burpee be nominated for the Stone Hammer Award for his work on Ker Cavan and the Short Street conversion.”</p> <p style="text-align: right;">CARRIED</p> <p>Moved by Norm Harrison and seconded by Mary Tivy,</p> <p>“THAT the former Post Office Building at 138 Wyndham Street North be nominated for the</p>

	<p>Gordon Couling Restoration Award.”</p> <p style="text-align: right;">CARRIED</p> <p>Moved by Lorraine Pagnan and seconded by Joel Bartlett,</p> <p>“THAT Tom Dowd be nominated for the Gordon Couling Restoration Award for his restoration work on the Alma Block.”</p> <p style="text-align: right;">CARRIED</p>
8.	Next regular meeting – Monday, April14, 2009 in the New City Hall Committee Room B.

ACTION ITEMS

ITEM #	ASSIGNED TO	DUE DATE	DESCRIPTION
	Ian	Ongoing	Contact owners of 88 London Road West and report back to committee
	Joan	Ongoing	Investigate the status of the demolition applications for 40 Nottingham Street and 14 Neeve Street and report back to the committee.
	Susan	Ongoing	Provide access to Jeremy Shute’s mapping of streams and waterways in the city.
	Joan/Doug	Ongoing	Draft letter of response to ORC regarding York Reformatory for circulation to members.
	Doug	Ongoing	Review Gil Stelter’s literature and Guelph’s 125 year booklet to identify criteria for Municipal Register reconsideration/correction.
	Joan	Ongoing	Include 64 Maple Street as a possible addition to a future expansion of the municipal register.
	Joan	Ongoing	Initiate discussion with various City departments, and the Downtown Guelph Business Association, to coordinate efforts to deal with potential incentives for maintenance issues for buildings in the downtown core.