

ARTS, CULTURE, AND HERITAGE ADVISORY COMMITTEE

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 26, 2013

A meeting of the Arts, Culture, and Heritage Advisory Committee was held on Thursday, September 26, 2013 at 5:30 pm at the Sandfield Centre in Alexandria.

PRESENT: Chair - Carma Williams
Mayor – Chris McDonell
Member at Large - Karen Davison-Woods
Member at Large - Nicole Geoffrion
Member at Large - Nicole Nadeau
Member at Large - Jeff Manley
Member at Large - Dane Lanken
Special Events Planner -Tish Nicholson
Economic Development Coordinator – Rod Coté

1. DECLARATIONS OF CONFLICT OF INTEREST

None

2. CALL MEETING TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 5:36 pm

3. ACCEPT AGENDA

Moved by: Jeff Manley **Seconded by:** Dane Lanken

That the Agenda of the Arts, Culture, and Heritage Advisory Committee meeting of September 26, 2013 be accepted as read.

4. RATIFY THE MINUTES

Moved by: Chris McDonell **Seconded by:** Nicole Geoffrion

That the minutes of the August 28, 2013 Arts, Culture, and Heritage Meeting be adopted.

5. BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

Dane Lanken's letter re: TREES Cut by School Board at Ecole Terre des Jeunes - Karen

Davison Woods will rework the wording in this letter and meet with Dane before next Meeting. A suggestion was brought forth that the Township first needs to develop a By-Law in regards to the cutting of trees over a certain age in urban areas, and that this by-law be part of the property standards act for North Glengarry. Discussion and written work to come back to the Committee again, before presentation to Council.

Heritage Designation: Rod Coté the new Economic Development Officer, presented a written document on Heritage Designation, and read the new By-Law recently passed by Council. He then explained the Designation Process, and a sample application for groups or individuals to apply for Heritage Designation in North Glengarry. All applications will come to the Arts, Culture, Heritage Committee for review, followed by recommendations to Council.

It was suggested that a list be given to Gerry Murphy of the Building sites, which should be referred to the Arts, Culture and Heritage Committee, should applications be made to the Township. Buildings and sites of a certain age would be sent for review to the Committee prior to demolition permits being issued. Rod Coté to follow up with Gerry and report back to the Committee.

Mural Update: Jeff Manley, showed a photo of the art work in progress by students at GDHS and it is expected to have the mural installed early Nov. on Main St.

6. GROTTO UPDATE

Tish to scan the quote from Keith Kennedy Historical Masonry Inc. and forward to Carma along with a letter that adds costs for restoring the wrought iron fencing, and a note that the Community Fund raising amount we will attempt is in the range of \$25,000.00.

These will be presented along with a Township letter to Terry Dubé for the owners of the Community Nursing Home and Palace, letting them know the plans to restore the Grotto, costs, and time lines, in order to obtain their written permission for the project to be done on the Grotto property, and to engage the owners in the fundraising process.

7. GALA UPDATE

250 tickets printed and spoken for, 30 tables and a head table of 9.

8. NEW BUSINESS

Nicole Geoffrion updated the group on the Sept. 25 Event at Park for the Franco Ontarian Flag Day. They replaced the Flag with a new one on Fireman's Island, and had great weather and a good turnout of schools for the Parade. 2,000 cobs of corn were cooked.

Karen Davison Woods suggested the Committee work on a publicity statement and do a Media Interview on what the Arts, Culture and Heritage Committee is working on, to give the public a

good idea of what the role of the Committee is and the projects, such as Heritage Designation, Grotto restoration, Main St. Mural installation etc.

Archives – Agreement received by North Glengarry from the School Board was missing the South Glengarry Council name and is returned to have it added before we can access using the GDHS. This affects the Encore program, which will temporarily have some of its classes at Island Park, until the agreements have been signed.

Cultural Summit meeting in Cornwall, Thurs. Oct. 24th,. Most of the Committee is registered to go and Rod Cote will take Chris McDonell's spot on the Committee at this workshop. Tish Nicholson will be attending the National Communities in Bloom conference in Ottawa same day.

9. NEXT MEETING

The next meeting is set for October 23, 2013, 5:30 pm at Sandfield Centre.

10. ADJOURN

Moved by Jeff Manley

The meeting was adjourned at 7:15 pm.

Recording Secretary – Tish Nicholson

Chair - Carma Williams

