



**MINUTES OF THE OCTOBER 26, 2016 MEETING OF
THE ARTS, CULTURE AND HERITAGE ADVISORY COMMITTEE**

A meeting of the Arts, Culture, and Heritage Advisory Committee held on Wednesday, October 26 2016, at 5:00 p.m. at Mill Square & The North Glengarry Restaurant, 8 Main Street S., Alexandria.

PRESENT: Carma Williams, Chairperson
Nathalie-Anne Bussière, Member at Large (arrived at 5:40pm)
Karen Davison Wood, Member at Large (departed at 6:20pm)
Dane Lanken, Member at Large
Jeff Manley, Councillor
Nicole Geoffrion, Member at Large
Nicole Nadeau, Member at Large
Kerri Strotmann, EDO, Recording Secretary

REGRETS: Daniel Gagnon, CAO

1. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 5:30p.m. following an on-site visit of Mill Square in preparation for the discussion of Item 5 f)

2. ACCEPT AGENDA

Moved by: Nicole Nadeau

Seconded by: Nicole Geoffrion

That the Agenda of the Arts, Culture and Heritage Advisory Committee meeting of October 26, 2016, be accepted.

Carried.

3. DECLARATIONS OF CONFLICT OF INTEREST

There were no declarations of conflict of interest expressed by the members present.

4. RATIFY THE MINUTES OF SEPTEMBER 28, 2016

Moved by: Karen Davison Wood

Seconded by: Jeff Manley

That the minutes of the September 28, 2016, Arts, Culture, and Heritage Advisory Committee meeting be accepted as presented.

Carried.

Nathalie-Anne Bussiere arrived at 5:40pm

5. AGENDA ITEMS

a. CIP Approvals Committee (CIPAC) Update

Kerri provided a brief update to the committee on the projects that were reviewed in October by the CIP Approvals Committee (CIPAC).

Carma discussed the positive feedback being received on the Community Improvement Plan and the synergy being created in the community and how much of the momentum can be attributed to the work of the Arts Culture & Heritage Committee. She also spoke of the emphasis that is expected to be placed on arts, culture and heritage as tools for economic development.

b. Community Grant Program

Review of Accountability Statements from 2016 Applications

- The committee received copies of the Accountability Statements received to date.

Received: Glengarry Sports Hall of Fame
 Glengarry School of Piping & Drumming
 Maxville MusicFest
 MCM Music Festival
 Centre Lochiel Centre
 Cercle des Fermières
 Dalkeith Historical Society
 Friends of Glengarry Trails
 Maxville & District Chamber of Commerce

Pending: Festival of Lights (2016)

- The committee was pleased that for the first year all Accountability Statements have been submitted in a timely fashion.
- Carma asked the committee to carefully review the Accountability Statements submitted and for members to express any concerns with how the funds were spent.
- There was some concern with what constitutes an "Accountability Statement" as the reports submitted are not standard. Some possessing more detail

(photographs, promotional material, etc.) than others. The committee will look at better defining what is expected. This can possibly be done through the Community Grant Approvals Letter that is sent by the Treasurer.

2017 Community Grant Applications

- The committee requested that the 2016 Accountability Statements be attached to the 2017 Community Grant Applications for all groups that are reapplying for funding so that they may refer to the document as needed. They would also like the “checklist” attached to each 2017 application.
- A question arose regarding the Financial Statements that are expected of the applicants given the change in application date. Most organizations will not have completed their 2016 fiscal year and will be required to resubmit a 2015 Financial Statement. Kerri explained that this will only be an issue this year as we transition to the alignment with the calendar year. The 2018 applications will include the 2016 Financial Statement.
- Kerri reminded the committee that the deadline to submit 2017 applications is Monday October 31st and that the November ACH meeting will be to vet the applications received. To date a few applications have been received, including requests from new organizations.

c. North Glengarry Heritage Tour – Update

- Kerri provided a brief update on the status of the North Glengarry Heritage Tour (Glengarry Routes) and provided the committee with a revised timeframe:
 - Oct 18: Meeting with Commonwealth, SG & NG to discuss draft tour feedback
 - Oct 26: Meeting with Annie Dalton & Dane Lanken to edit content
 - Nov 2: Driving Tour of the Glengarry Routes (North and South Glengarry)
 - Nov 29: Public Presentation of Draft Final Report (Sandfield Centre – TBC)
 - Dec : Final report sent out in print and electronic format
- Commonwealth is searching for additional “Glengarry Nuggets”. The former barbershop in Alexandria, where “the senate” met, was proposed as the building still exists and the Mill Square mural is a physical trace of this story.

Karen Davison Wood departed at 6:20pm

e. The Grotto Update

I. Photograph Exhibit

- The committee agreed to defer this project to 2017 and will request that a portion of the 2016 ACH budget be allocated to this project.
- Jeff will contact Significo to advise them that this project is on hold until the New Year.

II. Restoration Work

- Alain Toulon of Green Valley will provide the glass (Lexan), Significo has offered to donate the cutting and installation. Nicole Nadeau confirmed that the original glass was clear and beveled, but as this is not available in Lexan the decision was to go with a smoked glass to better harmonize with the statues.
- A contractor in Plantagenet is currently restoring the statues.
- The parging has been completed and the painting should take place between now and mid-November, weather permitting.

f. Interpretive Panel for Mill Square (Canada 150 Grant)

As part of the Canada 150 Grant received for Mill Square, an interpretive panel must be installed on the site before the end of March 2017. The committee met on-site prior to the commencement of the meeting to determine a focus for the interpretive panel, an appropriate location for its installation, and an aesthetic that harmonizes with the future the Glengarry Routes tour.

- The committee is in agreement with the aesthetic proposed by Commonwealth and with the use of local boulders ("Glengarry Nuggets") on which to affix the panels. Karen Davison Wood has offered boulders from her property for this project provided they can be transported by the municipality. The committee has asked Kerri to follow-up with Director of Public Works on this matter.
- Dane Lanken has offered to prepare a text which incorporates the history of Priests Mill, the Gary Fen and D.A. Sandfield Macdonald. A translation will have to be incorporated into the design, along with historic images. The committee has asked

Kerri to work with Dane on this project and on the translation and present something to the committee at a subsequent meeting. They have also asked Kerri to follow-up with Annie Dalton on an estimate to produce the design work.

- The committee is in favour of installing the interpretive panel in the area of the former catalpa tree until such a time as it can be move to a more permanent area in a redesigned Mill Square.

g. 200th Anniversary of the foundation of Alexandria (2019)

The committee has deferred this item to a subsequent meeting but wishes it to remain on the agenda for follow-up in 2017.

6. NEW BUSINESS

There was no new business proposed by the Committee members present

7. CORRESPONDENCE

- a. A copy of Heritage Matters/Questions de patrimoine magazine was circulated to the members.

8. NEXT MEETING

The next meeting of the Arts Culture and Heritage Advisory Committee will take place on Wednesday November 23, 2016 at 5:00pm. This meeting will be a “munchies potluck”.

9. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 6:45p.m.



Recording Secretary – Kerri Strotmann

Chair – Carma Williams