



MINUTES OF THE AUGUST 23, 2017 MEETING OF THE ARTS, CULTURE AND HERITAGE ADVISORY COMMITTEE

A meeting of the Arts, Culture, and Heritage Advisory Committee held on Wednesday, August 23, 2017, at 5:45 p.m. at the Sandfield Centre (102 Derby Street West, Alexandria).

- PRESENT:** Carma Williams, Chairperson
Nathalie-Anne Bussière, Member at Large
Karen Davison Wood, Member at Large
Jeff Manley, Councillor
Deirdre Hill, President of the Maxville & District Chamber of Commerce
Nicole Nadeau, Member at Large
Tara Kirkpatrick, Economic Development & Communications Officer/ Recording Secretary
- GUEST:** Daniel Gagnon, Chief Administrative Officer
Anne Leduc, Director of Recreation & Community Services
Andre Markus, Heritage Coordinator
- RGRESTS:** Dane Lanken, Member at Large

1. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 5:45 p.m.

2. ACCEPT AGENDA

Moved by: Nathalie-Anne Bussière

Seconded by: Karen Davison Wood

That the Agenda of the Arts, Culture and Heritage Advisory Committee meeting of August 23, 2017 be accepted as presented.

Carried.

3. DECLARATIONS OF CONFLICT OF INTEREST

There were no conflicts of interest declared.

4. RATIFY THE MINUTES OF JUNE 14, 2017

Moved by: Nicole Nadeau

Seconded by: Jeff Manley

That the minutes of the June 14, 2017, Arts, Culture, and Heritage Advisory Committee meeting be accepted as presented.

Carried.

5. AGENDA ITEMS

a. Heritage Register and Brochure

i. Update by the Heritage Coordinators.

- Heritage Coordinator Andre Markus provided a report on the progress made by the two Heritage Coordinators during their summer employment at the Township of North Glengarry.
- Over the course of 12 weeks the two Heritage Coordinators inventoried 304 properties located within the hamlets of North Glengarry.
- As part of this process, Andre also visited the Cornwall Library, where he conducted research on buildings of possible municipal heritage interest, which are located within North Glengarry. A list of buildings of possible municipal heritage interest was compiled by the two Heritage Coordinators and will be used to assist with the deployment of Phase III of the Community Improvement Plan.

ii. Brochure Update

- The North Glengarry Heritage Registry brochure is now available in print form at Town Hall and online at www.northglengarry.ca
- The brochure is available in both French and English.

b. Recruitment of a new member of the ACH

- Last Spring ACH member Nicole Geoffrion resigned from the Arts, Culture and Heritage Advisory Committee (ACHC), creating a vacancy on the committee.
- Carma noted that the general practice in these situations is to place an advertisement in local newspapers announcing that a new ACHC member is being sought.
- Jeff noted that the mandate for ACHC members will be ending in November 2018 and he asked the committee if they were in favour of continuing as is and waiting to recruit a new member when the mandate ends and a new committee is established.

Moved by: Nicole Nadeau

Seconded by: Jeff Manley

That the Arts Culture and Heritage Committee mandate the Director of Community Services to prepare a Staff Report to Council recommending that the appointment of a new member of the ACHC be deferred until the 2018 Committees nominations following the election.

Carried.

c. Mill Square Interpretive Panel

I. Request by Eric Covington

- A request was made by Eric Covington asking for a PDF copy of the artwork used in the Mill Square Interpretive Panel. Mr. Covington requested the artwork so that he could print it out and display it inside Priests Mill Glassworks, which is located adjacent to Mill Square.

- Karen commented that to print out extra copies of the artwork would undermine the uniqueness of the panel. She said that the intent of the panel is to drive traffic to park their vehicle and to encourage visitors to read the actual panel.
- Tara noted that she would be dropping off copies of the Glengarry Routes map with Mr. Covington and that she would be encouraging him to distribute the maps, which include some of the same details included in the Mill Street Interpretive Panel. She would highlight to Mr. Covington that the two products were designed to pair together and would provide a take-away product to give to his visitors.

II. Report on the Unveiling Ceremony on July 2, 2017

- Carma noted that the ceremony went very well and she applauded Anne and Tara for organizing the music and refreshments. She referred to the event, which attracted about 100 people, as being a success.
- Nicole said that she also felt that the event went very well. She suggested that in the future, speeches made at events such as these should be conducted in both English and French.

d. North Glengarry Heritage Tour

i. Alexandria Walking Tour Update

- Anne noted that the material needed for the Alexandria Walking Tour has been completed and sent to the graphic artist.

ii. Maxville Walking Tour Update

- Nathalie commented that she had completed the preliminary draft for the Maxville Walking Tour, which still required translation. She and Carma will continue to work on the final draft.
- Anne asked the committee what the deadline is for this united publication. The committee agreed that they would like to have distribution of the walking tour map begin next spring.
- The final map will measure 8.5" x 14" and will feature Maxville on one side and Alexandria on the other.

e. Glengarry Routes map = now back from the printers

- Tara noted that the Glengarry Routes map is now available at Town hall and distribution has commenced.
- The committee agreed that most copies of the map should remain in North Glengarry, with a limited number distributed to cultural sites in other areas of Stormont, Dundas and Glengarry, as well as within the United Counties of Prescott-Russell. Tara will be coordinating with Bryan Brown at the Township of North Glengarry to arrange distribution within SD&G.
- Jeff offered to distribute 200 copies of the map at the final Grotto performance of the season.
- When asked how long the print time took, Anne explained that it took approximately 20 calendar days to have the Glengarry Routes map printed. She asked that the committee consider budgeting \$5,000 into the 2018 budget to print an additional 5,000 copies next year.

- The cost to print 10,000 copies this year was approximately \$8,400 +tax.
- Carma requested that at the next ACHC meeting the committee be provided with a copy of the ACH budget as it currently stands.
- Karen suggested that a compilation of ACH projects should be completed, highlighting the work that the committee has undertaken over the past few years. Carma noted that this had previously been done in preparation for a budget request to Council. She recommended that this compilation be presented to Council between mid-October and early-November.

6. NEW BUSINESS

- The 100th Anniversary of the Alexandria Train Station
 - o Tara provided the ACH committee with an overview of an event being planned by Via Rail to honour the 100th anniversary of the Alexandria Train Station, which was erected in 1917.
 - o An event will be hosted at the Alexandria Train Station on Friday, September 22, 2017, at 2 p.m. Members of the ACHC are invited to attend, as are members of council. The event is not open to the public, due to security concerns relating to the fact that the event will take place on the train platform, between trains.
 - o As part of the celebration, Tara explained that VIA Rail will be donating a number of trees to the Township of North Glengarry, to be planted in municipal parks.
 - o Carma noted that during the 1980s a group of people came forward to protest the proposed closure of this train station. She suggested that efforts should be undertaken to invite these individuals to the service. Tara was asked to work with the Glengarry County Archivist to locate these individuals.
- 200th Anniversary of Alexandria
 - o Karen provided a brief update on the celebratory plans being undertaken for the 200th anniversary of Alexandria, which will take place in 2018. She explained that the anniversary committee has arranged for three events, including a Gala in February, a pictorial display to be presented in March and a Community Barbeque slated to take place on June 29.

7. CORRESPONDENCE

No correspondence was received.

8. NEXT MEETING

The next meeting of the Arts Culture and Heritage Advisory Committee is scheduled for Wednesday, September 27, 2017 at 5:45 p.m. at the Sandfield Centre.

9. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 6:46 p.m.

Recording Secretary – Tara Kirkpatrick

Chair – Carma Williams