



## **Waterloo Regional Heritage Foundation**

### **Minutes**

April 22, 2014

6:30 p.m.

Room 218

Regional Administration Building

150 Frederick Street, Kitchener

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Present were: Chair S. Rung, D. Bonk, A. Crerar, A. Dias, J. Glass, L. Haggerty, Z. Janecki, J. Lewis, S. Lovell, S. Massel, M. McCreery, B. Paddock, \*J. Roberts, A. Schiedel, K. Seiling, W. Stauch and L. Turner

Members absent: T. Galloway

### **Declarations of Conflict of Interest**

J. Glass declared a conflict with respect to item 6 a) i) on the agenda due to his involvement in the Waterloo Historical Society.

W. Stauch declared a conflict with respect to item 6 a) i) on the agenda due to his involvement in the Waterloo Historical Society.

### **Delegations**

- a) John Clinckett appeared before the Foundation representing the Ostlund's Property at 16 Blenheim Road. He provided background history of the property and explained the work being done on the property.

Foundation members inquired about the brackets being replaced and J. Clinckett noted only the brackets that need to be replaced will be. It was highlighted that years ago MPAC approved the work on the roof and fence and so far the fence has only been replaced.

- b) Timo Vainionpaa the owner of property located at 147 Avondale Avenue appeared before the Foundation and provided background information on his house. He passed around pictures of the moss on his roof and explained his concerns with using cedar shingles on his roof. He noted the trees on his property including a Japanese maple tree provide too much shade on his roof which doesn't allow the sun to dry the cedar shingles. T. Vainionpaa also showed samples of the metal shingles that look similar to cedar shingles that he is recommending on using.

A Foundation member asked the delegation if he was aware of a special protectant that is applied to cedar shingles to elongate their life. He stated he hadn't heard of that.

Foundation members asked Mr. Vainionpaa if he would consider using cedar shingles and he noted that he wants to make the right choice for the house.

### **Accounts and Grant Summary**

Erin Flewwelling circulated the Accounts and Grant Summary on behalf of Connie Bogusat, Financial Analyst which included a summary of disbursements for April 2014 period, outstanding approved commitments and the Foundation's net funding position.

### **Approval of Minutes**

Moved by D. Bonk

Seconded by J. Lewis

That the minutes of the Waterloo Regional Heritage Foundation meeting held on March 25, 2014, be approved

Carried

### **Business Arising from Minutes**

#### **2013-2014 Committees**

a) Allocations and Finance Committee

i. Waterloo Historical Society Publication Grant

S. Massel noted that A&F reviewed the application for the Waterloo Historical Society and provided a brief history of the publication stating in the past the Waterloo Regional Heritage Foundation has provided a grant for \$3,500.00 and this year A&F is recommending to increase the amount to \$4,000.00.

Moved by S. Massel

Seconded by D. Bonk

That the Waterloo Regional Heritage Foundation approve a grant of \$4,000 to the Waterloo Historical Society for publication of the WHS Volume 101 – 2013;

And that the volume is published before April 22, 2015, a one-year period from the date of the approved motions;

And that the Foundation's official name and logo appear in the Volume recognizing the contribution made by the Foundation;

And further that a statement of account with copies of supporting invoices and receipts be submitted to the Foundation upon publication of the volume with request for payment.

Carried

ii. Ostlund Property Grant for 16 Blenheim Road

S. Massel stated that A&F reviewed the property grant application for the Ostlund property. She provided a brief description of the application.

Moved by S. Massel

Seconded by B. Paddock

That the Waterloo Regional Heritage Foundation approve a grant to the Ostlund's equal to 50% of the actual costs to a maximum of \$17,000 plus HST for the repair and restoration of the soffits, fascia and eavestroughs of 16 Blenheim Road, Cambridge;

And that the restoration is completed before April 22, 2015, a one-year period from the date of the approved grant;

And that a suitable acknowledgement of the Foundation's contribution is made with the installation of a plaque at the Foundation's expense on the exterior of the building, visible to the public, at a location to be decided by the Foundation and Mr. and Mrs. Ostlund;

And further that a statement of account with copies of supporting invoices and receipts be submitted to the Foundation upon completion of the project with request for payment.

Carried

iii. Vainionpaa Property Grant for 147 Avondale Avenue

S. Massel stated that A&F reviewed the property grant application for the Vainionpaa property. She provided a brief description of the application stating A&F had a lengthy discussion about being able to support a metal roof pointing out what the Grant Policies state and A&F would only support the grant if cedar shakes are used.

Foundation members talked about a chemical treatment that could be applied to the cedar shakes to prolong their life expectancy and that air needs to be able to get underneath the shakes to breathe.

Foundation members highlighted in Mr. Vainionpaa's application he states that he would place a sign in front of his house while the roof is being replaced to acknowledge that the Waterloo Regional Heritage Foundation had funded the project. Foundation Members liked the idea and suggested making it a policy. They noted they could produce signs with the WRHF information on it to give to all property grant applicants.

Foundation members highlighted the primary intent of the Foundation is to fund restoration and not maintenance and that is why they are recommending the applicant use cedar shakes and not metal.

Moved by S. Massel

Seconded by B. Paddock

That the Waterloo Regional Heritage Foundation approve a grant to Mr. Vainionpaa equal to 50% of the actual costs to a maximum of \$30,000 plus HST for the replacement of the roof of 147 Avondale Avenue South, Waterloo provided that the existing roof is replaced with an historically accurate cedar roof;

And that the restoration is completed before April 22, 2015, a one-year period from the date of the approved grant;

And that a suitable acknowledgement of the Foundation's contribution is made with the installation of a plaque at the Foundation's expense on the exterior of the building, visible to the public, at a location to be decided by the Foundation and Mr. Vainionpaa;

And further that a statement of account with copies of supporting invoices and receipts be submitted to the Foundation upon completion of the project with request for payment.

Carried

b) Communications Committee

Z. Janecki highlighted that the next upcoming event is the AGM on June 10<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 p.m. at rare. He indicated that he and S. Rung did a site visit and they decided not to provide any tours due to the terrain. Z. Janecki stated that B. Paddock arranged for the guest speaker Katherine McLeod from rare.

Chair S. Rung stated that she has updated the website and will have the Facebook page ready by the end of the week.

c) Heritage Advisory Committee

S. Lovell highlighted the Awards of Excellence nominations and provided a brief overview of each nomination. She explained that HAC is still waiting on a nomination for the Sally Thorsen Award. She highlighted that Karl Kessler and Jane Snyder were nominated for the Sally Thorsen Award but HAC felt they were more suited for the Dr. Jean Steckle Award.

S. Lovell noted that Emmanuel Evangelic Lutheran Church and The Emporium were both nominated but the Committee but will not be receiving the Awards of Excellence.

Moved by S. Lovell

Seconded by J. Lewis

That the Waterloo Regional Heritage Foundation approve the Heritage Advisory Committee's selection of recipients for the Foundation's annual Awards of Excellence for the year 2013:

- The New Hamburg Independent
- William Bennett and Mary Beaton, Langdon Hall Country House and Spa
- Margaret Stacey, Green Gables Guest House
- Mike Loney and the late Endla Loney
- Philippe Elsworthy

Carried

Moved by S. Lovell

Seconded by L. Turner

THAT the Waterloo Regional Heritage Foundation approve the Heritage Advisory Committee's selection of Karl Kessler and Jane Snyder as recipient for the Foundation's Dr. Jean Steckle Award for Heritage Education for the year 2013.

Carried

A. Crerar briefly talked about the new history award. He suggested a sub Committee be established with 3 individuals to adjudicate the work submitted. He suggested asking Tracy Loch, Castle Kilbride, Janet Seally, WPL, and Karen Ball-Pyatt, KPL. He highlighted that the decision may not be made by the AGM.

Foundation members asked if the panel of judges would change every year. A. Crerar responded that the individuals selected this year are not obligated to do it again next year, noting the commitment of it. A. Crerar brought forward a motion to establish the sub Committee.

Moved by A. Crerar

Seconded by A. Dias

That the Waterloo Regional Heritage Advisory Committee recommend that a sub Committee be established to adjudicate the new Region of Waterloo History Prize.

Carried

d) Executive Committee

No report.

## Reports – Member Organizations

### a) N-W Branch, Architectural Conservancy of Ontario

A. Schiedel noted that the next meeting will be held Wednesday, April 23, 2014 at Castle Kilbride in Baden stating that Tom Crushank will be there to talk about his book. He noted there are only 6 more spots available and if you are interested in attending to contact Kae Elgie. He also mentioned Jane's Walk that is happening on May 2-4.

### b) Heritage Cambridge

B. Paddock talked about the sheds in Dickson's Park highlighting that the 4 sheds will be dismantled and replaced with 2 replica sheds. He also mentioned the Blackbridge report that went to City of Cambridge Council recommending that it be recognized as a cultural heritage landscape has been deferred until May.

B. Paddock made reference to the House Tour pamphlet that was circulated at the beginning of the meeting.

### c) Waterloo Historical Society

J. Glass highlighted that the next public meeting will be at the North Dumfries Community Centre on Saturday, May 10<sup>th</sup>, stating the newly established North Dumfries Historical Preservation Society (est. 2013) is hosting the meeting noting the attendees will hear how this new society is planning to preserve and protect the heritage of North Dumfries Township and its villages. He pointed out that the 101st Annual Volume (dated 2013, distributed 2014) will be distributed at the meeting explaining the volume is free to all 2013 WHS members as part of their membership dues and additional copies will be available to anyone for \$25.

He highlighted the annual History Under the Trees meeting will be held on Saturday, July 5th at Doon Heritage Village at Waterloo Regional Museum. They will be touring the house of Canadian journalist, Peter McArthur. Dr. Adam Crerar from WLU has researched McArthur and Dr. Crerar has been invited to help in re-discovering McArthur's life and writings.

J. Glass also noted the launching of the Ontario Historical Society's "Your Local History" blog has moved from April to May.

\*J. Roberts left the meeting at 7:28 p.m.

### d) Waterloo Region, Ontario Genealogical Society

D. Bonk highlighted that they are gearing up for the summer to work on the City of Cambridge Cemeteries.

## Correspondence – Available at Meeting

The correspondence folder was circulated among the members for their review.

**Next Meeting – May 27, 2014**

**Adjourn**

Moved by Z. Janecki

Seconded by D. Bonk

That the meeting adjourn at 7:30 p.m.

Carried

**Foundation Chair, S. Rung**

**Foundation Secretary, E. Flewwelling**