



City of Barrie

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Minutes - Final Heritage Barrie Committee

Wednesday, September 11, 2019

6:30 PM

Huronian Room "A"

For consideration by the City Building Committee on October 8, 2019.

The meeting was called to order by Councillor, C. Riepma at 6:31 p.m. The following were in attendance at the meeting:

Present: 5 - Councillor C. Riepma
Councillor J. Harris
Vice Chair C. Froese
D. Exel
D. Moore

Absent: 4 - C. Colebatch
K. MacKinnon
S. Mackinnon
C. Manewell

ALSO PRESENT:

M. Rosenfeld.

STAFF:

Acting Deputy City Clerk, T. McArthur
Planner, T. Wierzba.

The Heritage Barrie Committee met and reports as follows:

SECTION "A"

PRESENTATION CONCERNING ALLANDALE RAILROADERS AND THEIR FAMILIES FROM 1900 TO 1950

Mark Rosenfeld provided a presentation concerning his research into the history and experiences of the Allandale railroaders and their families from 1900 to 1950. He discussed the information he has been gathering since the 1980's including old photos and interviews with Allandale railroaders and their families sharing their stories of the railway. Mr. Rosenfeld advised that he is currently researching the technological changes through the years (ie. steam to diesel), the number of people required to work on the railway, and any Allandale Station renovations that have occurred in the past.

Mr. Rosenfeld advised that he has written a number of articles, as well as a thesis in the 1990's associated to Allandale railroaders. He commented that he presently working on a small documentary with the hopes to expand to a bigger documentary in the future.

Members of the Committee asked a numbers of questions to Mr. Rosenfeld and received responses.

UPDATE ON THE STATUS OF POTENTIAL LISTINGS TO THE MUNICIPAL HERITAGE REGISTRY

Tomasz Wierzba, Planner, provided an update regarding the status of potential listings for the Municipal Heritage Registry. The Committee discussed the organizing of a list of potential properties to be sent correspondence to invite them to add their property to the Municipal Heritage Registry. Mr. Wierzba advised that the updated Municipal Heritage Registry will be posted to the City's website in the near future.

Mr. Wierzba advised that he received an application for the property known municipally as 227 St. Vincent Street. The Committee discussed the heritage criteria contained in the application and agreed to have the property added to the Municipal Heritage Registry.

The Heritage Barrie Committee met and recommends adoption of the following recommendation(s):

SECTION "B"

MUNICIPAL HERITAGE REGISTRY - 227 ST. VINCENT STREET (WARD 2)

That in response to the application by the property owners, 227 St. Vincent Street be added to the Municipal Heritage Register as a listed property.

The Heritage Barrie Committee met and reports as follows:

SECTION "C"

BARRIE FALLEN SOLDIERS ON BANNERS FOR REMEMBRANCE DAY

Craig Froese discussed the banners in honour of Barrie's fallen soldiers that will be on display in Barrie's Downtown surrounding the cenotaph for Remembrance Day. He advised that in partnership with Invest Barrie, forty banners are being created illustrating pictures of Barrie's fallen soldiers as a tribute to war veterans on Remembrance Day. Mr. Froese noted that the banners will be on display in Barrie for the future or Remembrance Day Services as well.

DOORS OPEN UPDATE

The Committee discussed the preparations for Doors Open Simcoe County taking place on September 21, 2019. Tomasz Wierzba, Planner advised that there are eight locations within Barrie participating in the event. He noted that the final preparations have been completed.

PREPARATION FOR 2019 HERITAGE BARRIE AWARDS

The Committee discussed the categories and the nominations received for the 2019 Heritage Barrie Awards. They commented that they are anticipating the Awards Ceremony to take place at the end of the year, and will have confirmation of the date at the next meeting.

SIMCOE COUNTY HISTORICAL ASSOCIATION MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL

The Committee agreed to renew the Simcoe County Historical Association membership in the amount of \$20.00 (Account No. 1025-620200).

DEVELOPMENT APPLICATIONS UNDER REVIEW

Tomasz Wierzbza, Planner, discussed the Zoning By-law Amendment Application for 34-50 Bradford Street and a portion of 125 Dunlop Street West that is currently under review.

The Committee provided positive feedback associated to the two walls from the Prince of Wales School that are remaining in honour of the historic building. The Committee provided suggestions for the space that included a historical plaque and images inside the structure to reflect the school's historical significance, the possibility of public art with an educational component, and street wall art designed to be sympathetic to the road and the building and to attract the attention of the public.

DISCUSSION REGARDING A HERITAGE PLANNER

The Committee discussed the benefits of a Heritage Planner position to handle heritage preservation activities in the City. They further discussed the possible qualifications for the position such as having an architectural and heritage background, as well as a planner that is well versed on the *Ontario Heritage Act* and routed in other applicable legislations.

The Heritage Barrie Committee met and recommends adoption of the following recommendation(s):

SECTION "D"**INVESTIGATION FOR A HERITAGE PLANNER POSITION**

That staff in the Planning and Building Services Department investigate the benefits of a Heritage Planner position to be responsible for the City's heritage conservation, preservation, restoration and promotion and report back to the City Building Committee.

The meeting adjourned at 8:16 p.m.

CHAIRMAN