

# *Heritage Welland Committee*

## **Minutes of Meeting**

for

Wednesday, February 03, 2010, 4:30 p.m.

held at the

Welland Historical Museum

**Present:** Christian Venditti, Dan Fortier, Sam Kalmuk, Ron Boyer, Nora Reid, Rosi Zirger, Lori Burns

**Absent:** John Mastroianni

### **1. Call to Order**

The meeting was called to order by, Christian Venditti, at 4:40 p.m.

### **2. Approval of Minutes**

The minutes of the January 6, 2010 meeting were approved.

**MOTION: Moved by Dan Fortier and seconded by Sam Kalmuk, that the minutes of the January 6, 2010 meeting be approved. Motion carried.**

### **3. Business arising from the Minutes**

#### **a) Central Fire Hall**

The letter to the mayor and city council requesting a response to ensure that the building is being minimally maintained; including heat and hydro for the winter has been sent and as of yet there has been no response. Dan Fortier reported that he had left a follow up voicemail message with Bill Fenwick.

#### **b) Strategic Planning**

Rosi Zirger, Christian Venditti, Dan Fortier and Nora Reid met to review the draft PowerPoint presentation to be presented to the City of Welland Council meeting on February 16<sup>th</sup>. Revisions were made and Rosi needs to replace some of the scanned images for higher resolution copies. The presentation is seven minutes long and a hardcopy was distributed.

Rosi Zirger discovered while talking with the City Clerks department that the Planning Department red flags any heritage buildings that requests a building permit and distributes this information to other departments but Heritage Welland is not on the distribution list. The City Clerks department indicated that they would call other municipalities and inquire about their procedures. Dan Fortier suggested that after the presentation to council that Rosi review the city's official plan regarding heritage buildings and draft a letter to council to inform them that this committee would like to be informed in accordance to the Provincial Legislation Act.

Dan Fortier suggests this Committee seek out a significant speaker and invite the City Councillors. It was decided that Dan will contact Sue Morrison regarding a workshop for staff, community and councillors.

Christian Venditti reported that the website is close to being ready and will do a presentation to the committee at the next meeting.

c) **Towpath Ditch**

Deferred until next meeting.

d) **Cenotaph**

Dan Fortier spoke with Sue Maltby and was informed that the Cenotaph project was handled by Wendy Shearer. He will email her and inquire about the status of the Cenotaph. Dan also left a message with Bill Fenwick and is waiting a response in regards to phase II.

e) **Designation of Aqueduct**

Nora Reid reported that the letter to the WRCC has been sent and we are currently waiting for a reply. Dan Fortier will do follow up.

*Action: Lori Burns to forward a copy of the letter to all Committee members.*

f) **Stone From First Street School**

Deferred until next meeting.

g) **Toronto Star Clock**

Rozi Zirger visited the library in search for a 1950's news story but was unable to locate any articles.

**h) Federal Building on King Street**

Ron Boyer reported that there was currently no update on the Federal building.

**i) Welland High Vocational School**

Nora Reid informed the committee that she hasn't heard anything further regarding the Welland High School.

**j) French Community Church Plaque**

Dan Fortier reported that the church will be celebrating their 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary and is creating a pamphlet/booklet and Heritage Welland will be recognized within it. Two benches will also be purchased and on one of the benches will be an acknowledgment of the contribution from Heritage Welland. Dan explained the additional costs for the lighting was due to the fact that the city was no longer taking responsibility for two lamp posts which imposed a safety and security issue. Dan asked that Daniel Roy be reimbursed from the Heritage Welland Committee for out of pocket expenses totalling \$850.94.

**MOTION: Moved by Sam Kalmuk and seconded by Ron Boyer, that Daniel Roy is reimbursed from the Heritage Welland Committee for out of pocket expenses totalling \$850.94. Motion carried.**

**k) Canal Terrace**

There has been no response to the email to Stephen Fischer in regards to the schedule. Lori Burns will forward his response to Dan Fortier. Christian Venditti has seen the landscape design plan created by Todd Barber.

**l) Heritage Week**

Nora Reid suggested informing the Welland Tribune of our upcoming PowerPoint presentation to City Council. Dan Fortier will email Alan Benner.

**4. Treasurer's Report**

Dan Fortier reported that they haven't received the cheque from the City of Welland yet and as of December 31, 2009 there was \$16, 210 in the chequing account and \$2,067 in the savings account.

**5. Correspondence**

Lori Burns distributed an email from Peter Tulemello who has resigned from the Heritage Welland Committee.

**6. New Business**

**a) Heritage Buildings up for Sale**

Nora Reid stated that there were 3 heritage homes up for sale and suggested a package be sent to the homeowners. Nora will circulate a letter regarding this to all committee members.

The meeting was adjourned at 6:10 p.m. by Christian Venditti.

**MOTION: Moved by Ron Boyer. Motion carried.**

**NEXT MEETING DATE  
March 3, 2009, 4:30 P.M.  
WELLAND HISTORICAL MUSEUM**