

MINUTES

HERITAGE HALTON HILLS COMMITTEE

Minutes of the Heritage Halton Hills Committee held on Wednesday June 20, 2018, at 6:30 p.m., in the Esquesing Room of the Halton Hills Town Hall.

Members Present

D. Brock; Councillor T. Brown (Chair); R. Denny; C. Donaldson; A. Douglas; L. Nicholson; J.M. Rowe; A. Walker

Staff Present

T. Borges, Heritage Halton Hills Summer Student; A. Fisher, Heritage Planner; A. Mancuso, Records/FOI Coordinator

Regrets

V. Inglis;

General

- 1A Disclosure of Pecuniary Interest
 - None was declared.
- 1B Receipt of Heritage Halton Hills Committee Minutes dated May 16, 2018

Recommendation No. HERITAGE-2018-0028

THAT the Minutes of the Heritage Halton Hills Committee meeting held on May 16, 2018, be received for information.

CARRIED

Councillor T. Brown introduced the Heritage Halton Hills Committee Summer Student, T. Borges, who is working at the Halton Hills Public Library (Georgetown Branch) with the Esquesing Historical Society summer student on the digitization of Esquesing Historical Society photos.

Properties and Programs

2A Reid Farmhouse/Allison Farm update

Following the May committee meeting, A. Fisher sent the committee's concerns to the property owner(s) of the Reid Farmhouse/Allison Farm, located at 10686 Eighth Line. To date she has not received a response. Members noted windows and the floor have been boarded up. A. Fisher will review the property standards by-law and if some type of infringement is identified, she will ask By-law Enforcement to follow up.

2B 111 Charles Street – Demolition Clearance Form (DCF)

A. Fisher presented a PowerPoint on 111 Charles Street, Georgetown which is a Victory Home but not a Listed property on the Heritage Register. A. Fisher received a Demolition Clearance Form and took interior and exterior photos of the structure for the record.

2C Mount Pleasant Cemetery, 10579 Trafalgar Road

Following the May committee meeting, R. Denny followed up on the Mount Pleasant cemetery which is located on Vision Georgetown lands. His research led him to the Women's Institute of Ashgrove Tweedsmuir Histories but was unable to find the volume which pertains to the time period around 1960. He consulted a long time resident of the area who acknowledged that some of the stones could have spilled over into the surrounding area so it is possible the site is larger than the natural boundary of trees indicates. He will continue with further research.

2D 9111 Third Line Update – Andrew Laidlaw Farmhouse

A. Fisher presented a PowerPoint update on 9111 Third Line with regard to the future Minor Variance requirement, proposed Designation and Heritage Easement. The property owner plans to build a new house and was advised of the requirement for a heritage easement to preserve the original structure before proceeding with development.

Recent renovations to Andrew Laidlaw Farmhouse include two new front windows and a front door. Members reviewed the current interior and exterior state of the structure. D. Brock suggested that incorporation of a new structure with the current structure would be an ideal way to preserve it. A. Fisher noted that although it has electricity, the water connection was decommissioned and the proximity to the proposed new structure does not allow for combined use.

A. Fisher identified the heritage attributes and presented reasons for designation, stating Andrew Laidlaw Farmhouse retains original form as a vernacular Georgian / Neo-Classical pioneering house.

The owner will be required to designate the property and enter into a Heritage Easement with the Town in order to ensure the Andrew Laidlaw Farmhouse is conserved and maintained.

Recommendation No. HERITAGE-2018-0029

THAT Heritage Halton Hills Committee supports the proposed use of Andrew Laidlaw Farmhouse as an accessory building provided that Andrew Laidlaw Farmhouse be designated and that the property owner(s) enter into a Heritage Easement agreement with the Town to ensure the Andrew Laidlaw Farmhouse is conserved and maintained.

CARRIED

2E St. Stephen's Anglican Church, Hornby – Heritage Register

A. Fisher presented a PowerPoint on St. Stephen's Anglican Church, located at 14946 Steeles Avenue, Hornby, regarding a proposal to add St. Stephen's Church to the Heritage Register as a Listed Cultural Heritage Property.

A. Fisher's report, PLS-2018-0040 regarding the *Inclusion of St. Stephen's Anglican Church Cemetery, Steeles Avenue, Hornby to the Town of Halton Hills Heritage Register*, will go to Planning, Public Works and Transportation Committee on June 26 but does not include St. Stephen's Anglican Church. A. Fisher believes it was an oversight under Phase 4 not to include St. Stephen's Anglican Church.

Recommendation No. HERITAGE-2018-0030

THAT Heritage Halton Hills Committee supports including St. Stephen's Church, located at 14946 Steeles Avenue, Hornby, on the Heritage Register as a Listed Cultural Heritage Property;

AND FURTHER THAT staff advise Council of the committee's recommendation.

CARRIED

St. Stephen's Anglican Church Request

An application to Employment and Social Development Canada's Enabling Accessibility Fund will be made to help fund the accessible addition at the front of St. Stephen's Anglican Church. Rev. M. Clarke approached Councillor T. Brown to write a letter in support of the church's application.

Councillor T. Brown spoke to Mayor Bonnette who agreed and has already prepared a letter. Members discussed the request. The committee demonstrated support for the accessibility project through recommendation HERITAGE-2018-0027 at the May meeting. Councillor T. Brown will prepare a letter on behalf of the committee.

2F 2014 Heritage Property Grant Program – Beaumont Mill Project Update
A. Fisher presented a PowerPoint on the request by the property owner of
Beaumont Mill to revise the original 2014 Heritage Property Grant Program
(HPGP) project that was approved by the former Heritage Halton Hills committee
in 2014. The original submission included: removal of old shingles, repair and
replace roof boards, replace fascia boards and install new drip edge and new

ice/storm barrier sheet. The revision proposes to relate the work to the north side of the mansard only.

The owner submitted a project proposal for the 2018 HPGP but withdrew the 2018 application in order to proceed with the proposed revised 2014 HPGP project. In future years, they will submit grant applications for the remaining two phases of roof work.

Members discussed the shingles proposed for the project. Some feel the 3-tab shingles do not suit the structure and believe grey would be a better choice of colour for the shingles.

Recommendation No. HERITAGE-2018-0031

THAT Heritage Halton Hills Committee approves the proposed revision to the Beaumont Mill's 2014 Heritage Property Grant Program project but requests the property owner note the committee's concerns and provide further information regarding the proposed shingles.

CARRIED

2G 2015 Heritage Property Grant Program – Beaumont Mill Project Completion

A. Fisher presented a PowerPoint on Beaumont Mill's 2015 HPGP project which was approved by the committee in 2015. The original submission involved Masonry restoration to south walls (pressure wash out loose mortar, repoint stone, replace broken window header) and dormer recreation (in original location but not original design).

A. Fisher noted that not all of the repointing was completed and the finished dormer is different from the original proposal. Members discussed whether the completed work, which cost a total of \$6,012.83, should be fully compensated. In 2015, the committee approved a grant of \$3,000 for the project which was estimated to cost \$13,560. However, funding for the program fell short that year, so the award was reduced to \$2,089.52 (69.7% of \$3,000). Members agreed ongoing maintenance of this structure is very costly.

Recommendation No. HERITAGE-2018-0032

THAT Heritage Halton Hills Committee support issuing the 2015 Heritage Property Grant Program award in the amount of \$2089.52 for repointing masonry work and dormer restoration at the Beaumont Mill;

AND FURTHER THAT the committee acknowledges that further repointing work to the upper portion of the walls of Beaumont Mill can potentially be considered by the committee for Heritage Property Grant Program funding at a later date.

CARRIED

2H 2017 Heritage Property Grant Program – 69 Bower Street, Acton

A. Fisher presented a PowerPoint on the results of the 2017 HPGP brickwork restoration project for 69 Bower Street, Acton. A. Fisher noted the completed

work is an improvement but not as good as work done on another Syndicate House. It appears the bricks were cleaned but cleaning bricks can sometimes damage them. It was suggested that caution is needed for any brickwork proposal in the future.

Recommendation No. HERITAGE-2018-0033

THAT Heritage Halton Hills Committee supports the grant award payout to 69 Bower Street.

CARRIED

- 2I 2018 Heritage Property Grant Program Applications for Committee Approval
- 2I(a) 85 Bower Street, Acton (Syndicate Housing Heritage Conservation District)

A. Fisher presented a PowerPoint on the 2018 grant project submission for 85 Bower Street, Acton, for work on masonry repairs to top east wall, front corner at top of quoin, and inside corner at addition – cleaning at base and repointing.

The work was completed prior to A. Fisher's site visit but after submission of the grant application. A. Fisher reviewed the 2012 ERA report which includes specifications for lime based mortar, brick repair mortar and mineral coating (black paint for bricks).

A revised estimate, dated June 13, for the work was submitted after the submission deadline but the grant guidelines do not indicate whether amendments to an application can or cannot be considered. The original estimate was for \$5,367.50 (incl. hst) and the revised estimate is for \$5,028.50 (incl. hst).

Recommendation No. HERITAGE-2018-0034

THAT Heritage Halton Hills Committee receive the 2018 Heritage Property Grant Program application for 85 Bower Street and revised estimate dated June 13, 2018;

AND FURTHER THAT the committee approve the project and funding request for a matching grant of up to \$2,514.25;

AND FURTHER THAT the Heritage Foundation of Halton Hills be advised.

CARRIED

21(b) 87 Bower Street, Acton (Syndicate Housing Heritage Conservation District)

A. Fisher presented a PowerPoint on the 2018 grant project submission for 87 Bower Street, Acton, to rebuild the archway over the front bay window. A. Fisher reviewed the 2012 ERA report which includes specifications for lime based mortar, brick repair mortar and mineral coating (black paint for bricks).

The estimated cost for the project is up to \$4,135.80 (incl hst). The work was underway prior to A. Fisher's site visit but after submission of the grant application.

Recommendation No. HERITAGE-2018-0035

THAT Heritage Halton Hills Committee receive the 2018 Heritage Property Grant Program application for 87 Bower Street, Acton;

AND FURTHER THAT the committee approve the proposed project and funding request for a matching grant of up to \$2,067.50;

AND FURTHER THAT the Heritage Foundation of Halton Hills be advised.

CARRIED

2I(c) 519 & 521 Main Street, Glen Williams (Laidlaw House and the Frazier Shop)

A. Fisher presented a PowerPoint on the 2018 Heritage Property Grant Program application for 519 & 521 Main Street, Glen Williams, to replace four wooden windows with new wood windows in the "same heritage profile" in order to be more energy efficient. The heritage attributes listed in the reasons for designation identify the Frazier Shop windows to be replaced under the project proposal.

A. Fisher noted a heritage permit is required as the windows of the Frazier Shop are some of its heritage attributes and replacing them is an alteration. Members reviewed grant guidelines and discussed the proposed project.

Members would like the owner to consider repair not replacement as an option. If repairs are done a heritage permit would not be required and the project would be eligible for a grant.

If the owner prefers to replace the windows, the committee will require further information on the proposed windows and on the condition of the existing windows. A Heritage permit will also be required.

Recommendation No. HERITAGE-2018-0036

THAT Heritage Halton Hills Committee receive the 2018 Heritage Property Grant Program application for 519 & 521 Main Street, Glen Williams (Laidlaw House and the Frazier Shop;

AND FURTHER THAT the committee does not approve the grant application to replace four historic windows with replica windows;

AND FURTHER THAT the owner may submit a revised project proposal which involves repairs to the existing historic windows, for consideration by the committee at the September meeting.

CARRIED

2J 13571 Steeles Avenue – Demolition Clearance Form

A. Fisher recently received a Demolition Clearance Form for 13571 Steeles Avenue which is not Listed on the Heritage Register. At the March 2018 committee meeting, Heritage Halton Hills discussed the Premier Gateway Land

Use Plan and put forward recommendation HERITAGE-2018-0015 that identified 13571 Steeles Avenue as a significant cultural heritage resource. On June 21, A. Fisher will take photos of the structure for the record and invited members to attend.

2K 12250 Eighth Line – Demolition Clearance Form

A. Fisher presented a PowerPoint on 12250 Eighth Line which is not Listed on the Heritage Register. A. Fisher received a Demolition Clearance Form and took photos of the structure for the record.

Heritage Designation: Proposed, Committee Report(s), Report(s) to Council, By-Law(s), Plaque Unveiling

3A Proposed Designation of 98 Confederation Street, Glen Williams

A. Fisher presented a PowerPoint on the proposed designation of 98 Confederation Street, Glen Williams, specifically the barn which is depicted in A.J. Casson's painting "Old Man in a Rocker". D. Brock inquired about the condition of the barn. A. Fisher noted it is not "falling down" but the owner has plans for restoration and is keen to designate. Members agreed A.J. Casson's artwork is very significant to the communities of Glen Williams and Norval and the Barn is worthy of designation.

Recommendation No. HERITAGE-2018-0037

THAT Heritage Halton Hills Committee supports the proposal to designate A.J. Casson Barn located at 98 Confederation Street, Glen Williams.

CARRIED

For Information, Announcements & Upcoming Events

4A 2018 Ontario Heritage Conference

J.M. Rowe presented a PowerPoint on the 2018 conference which was held in Sault Ste. Marie and declared it a most useful conference for information. Slides illustrated fully functioning heritage buildings as well as the current restoration of one site. J.M. Rowe noted that of special interest to attendees were panels in the dining hall that depicted various heritage timelines of heritage in the area. J.M. Rowe picked up samples of walking tours and circulated them to members.

Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 8:45 p.m.

Next Scheduled Meeting

Wednesday September 19, 2018, 6:30 p.m. in the Esquesing Room