



Preserving, promoting and developing Wellington North's unique cultural resources to build a vibrant community and a prosperous economy.

TOWNSHIP OF WELLINGTON NORTH: CULTURAL ROUNDTABLE
Thursday, September 21st, 2017 - 12:00 pm
Mount Forest & District Sports Complex
COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

Members Present: Chair Jim Taylor
Robert Macdonald
Penny Renken
Trish Wake

Staff Present: Dale Small, Economic Development Officer,
Michelle Stone, Administrative Support

Other Attendees: Karren Wallace, Clerk, Township of Wellington North

Absent: Karen Armstrong
Linda Hruska
Bonnie McDougall
Gail Donald
Councillor Dan Yake

CALLING THE MEETING TO ORDER

Chair Jim Taylor called the meeting to order at 12:00 p.m.

PASSING AND ACCEPTANCE OF AGENDA

RESOLUTION WNCR 2017-016

Moved: Robert Macdonald

Seconded: Penny Renken

THAT THE Agenda for the September 21st, 2017 Wellington North Cultural Roundtable Committee Meeting be accepted and passed.

CARRIED

DECLARATION OF PECUNIARY INTEREST

None declared.

DELEGATIONS:

- Clerk Karren Wallace gave an overview of the procedure she thought would work well for the cataloguing of the Mount Forest Cemetery headstones and graves. The thought is that some of the research could be done over the winter months and a list compiled by section of those requiring pictures. About 40% are already done and Karren also had maps and a complete burial listing for reference.

Chair Jim Taylor feels that this is a good fit with the Cultural Roundtable and historic places and also that it could be used as a Cultural Moment for Council.

- Karren also advised the roundtable that they had purchased a mobility mat that will enable accessibility at the cemetery and for other events where accessibility is required.

MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

RESOLUTION WNCR 2017-017

Moved: Robert Macdonald

Seconded: Penny Renken

THAT THE Cultural Roundtable Committee receive the minutes of the June 15th, 2017 Cultural Roundtable meeting.

CARRIED

BUSINESS ARISING FROM MINUTES

N/A

NEW BUSINESS

1. Report from the Chair

Jim Taylor

- Community Growth Plan and Online Survey
Chair Jim Taylor updated the roundtable on his participation at the Growth Plan Public Meetings. His focus was on ensuring the preservation of our culture and heritage and to ensure that the growth plan takes this into consideration.
- Strategic Planning Session in the Fall
Before the new year will revisit the current strategy and groups – what each has achieved and then the next meeting focus would be on areas moving forward. There may be a change to meeting time to ensure all there for input.
- Historical Buildings and Places Team Update
Not yet developed a complete program – starting to develop lists and what resources needed to go further
- Doors Open – All is ready to go for Saturday, September 23rd. Penny and Jim did radio interviews for the “Doors Open” event and also an interview with the Wellington Advertiser about Knox Presbyterian. There will be a survey done after the event for feedback and this will be shared at our next Cultural Roundtable meeting.

2. Youth Action Council Update

Trish Wake

- Wellington North Youth Action Council Presentation and Upcoming Activities were provided by Trish Wake. Trish shared the presentation prepared by the Youth Action Council (YAC) outlining their activities and which will be presented to Council on September 25th. YAC is choosing their own focus and recruiting new members. They are looking for ideas to engage more youth from the Arthur area and will reach out to The Door, a youth group, in Arthur. On September 29th, 2017 there is a Leadership Training in Drayton.

3. Farmers Market Update

Dale Small

- Update on the 2017 Market which has had an excellent year and will end with eleven full time vendors. We have reached out to Harry Engel our Market Manager to sit on the roundtable and he will be attending our next meeting. More signage was recommended by one of our committee members and this has been addressed.
- 2018 will be the fifth year for our Farmers Market and we will discuss next year’s hours and plans with our market vendors in order to get their input into any changes they would like to see for 2018.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Community Growth Plan on-line survey will be available for Completion until October 6th August 28th – October 6th
- Wellington North Doors Open nine sites participating September 23rd
- Youth Action Council presentation to Wellington North council September 25th
- October Cultural Moment due October 2nd
- Wellington North Farmers Market last day of the season October 6th
- Butter Tarts & Buggies Fall Frolic October 13th – 15th
- Youth Action Council Haunted Trail Murphy's Park October 27th
5:00pm – 10:00pm
- Joint Economic Development Meeting with Minto & Mapleton to continue "13 Ways to Kill Your Community" discussions November 1st

MEMBERS PRIVILEGE

Chair Jim Taylor feel there should be a report prepared to go to Council to update them on the Committee's activities looking at the budget for next year.

Penny Renken inquired about a review of the current expenses and budget. Dale Small will bring to the next meeting. Penny also mentioned that Knox Presbyterian in Conn will be presenting an old fashioned Country Gospel Sing on Sunday evening Oct 15th @ 7 pm.

Trish Wake has a Co-Op student starting and will bring them to the next meeting.

Robert Macdonald mentioned there is an Arthur Historical Society meeting on Tuesday, September 26th, 2017 and a bus trip on September 30th, leaving at 8am going to Thornbury, Meaford and Flesherton. Call Ian Turner or the Arthur Historical Society to register. The Blacksmith Shop is ready for Doors Open this Saturday.

NEXT COMMITTEE MEETING

To be determined – There will be a survey circulated to look at time and date.

ADJOURNMENT

RESOLUTION WNCR 2017-018

Moved: Trish Wake

THAT THE Cultural Roundtable Committee meeting be adjourned at 1:30 pm.

CARRIED