

TOWNSHIP OF WELLINGTON NORTH

CULTURAL ROUNDTABLE COMMITTEE MINUTES

Thursday, January 19, 2017 - 12:00 pm
Jean Weber Reading Room, Mount Forest Museum and Archives

Members Present: Chair Jim Taylor
Robert Macdonald
Trish Wake
Bonnie McDougall
Penny Renken
Gail Donald
Linda Hruska
Gary Pundsack

Staff Present: April Marshall, Tourism, Marketing & Promotion Manager

Absent: Karen Armstrong
Dale Small, Economic Development Officer
Councillor Dan Yake

CALLING THE MEETING TO ORDER

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

PASSING AND ACCEPTANCE OF AGENDA

RESOLUTION WNCR 2017-001

Moved: Bonnie McDougall

Seconded: Linda Hruska

THAT THE Agenda for the January 19, 2017 Wellington North Cultural Roundtable Committee Meeting be accepted and passed.

CARRIED

DECLARATION OF PECUNIARY INTEREST

None declared

DELEGATIONS

None

MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

RESOLUTION WNCR 2017-002

Moved: Linda Hruska

Seconded: Robert Macdonald

THAT THE Cultural Roundtable Committee receive the minutes of the November 17th, 2016 Cultural Roundtable meeting.

Carried

BUSINESS ARISING FROM MINUTES

Cultural Significant Naming of Streets – the committee requested that a list of existing street names be provided to ease the process of suggested new names for consideration.

NEW BUSINESS

- Report from the Chair Jim Taylor
Jim recapped the delegate presentations from the last meeting and once again stressed the value of their input. The committee found the Blacksmith Shop presentation very informative and discussed how they can show support to the initiative. Jim is preparing a letter of support to accompany the February 27th presentation to Council. Jim also noted that the Township of Wellington North is undergoing a Growth Plan and noted the importance of the Cultural Roundtable contributing to it. The committee discussed inviting Mayor Lennox to the next meeting to present on the subject.
- Youth Action Council Trish Wake / April Marshall
The committee continues to see fluctuation in the youth's participation. A partnership has been made with the New Growth Family Health Centre in Mount Forest to host the meetings and serve as a venue for the YAC to plan drop-in planned activities for youth. A youth connections event is being planned in collaboration with Minto and Mapleton YAC's to act as a facilitated discussion with speakers and workshops to aid in recruitment and to get feedback to feed into a plan for the groups moving forward. Norwell and WHSS will work with us to transport students to the event, which is scheduled to take place on May 4th at the Mount Forest Sports Complex.
- Doors Open Registration April Marshall
We are now accepting registrations for Doors Open Wellington North, set to take place on September 23, 2017. This year's theme is 'identity' in celebration of Canada's 150th Anniversary. The registration form can be found on Wellington North's website, is being promoted on 88.7 The River and is also being distributed to previous participating sites.
- Canada 150 2017 Action Items April Marshall
Funding announcements for the Canada 150 Celebration Grant have not been communicated yet. The committee discussed what can be done if the funding is not received. April will bring back an outline to the next meeting proposing a special brochure is created that highlights all Canada 150 activities and showcase some oral storytelling and heritage building profiles, etc. Trish will aid in collecting event lists by including it in the next Chamber email. Gail prepared questions related to various themes for capturing oral history.
- Working Group Updates All
The complexity of capturing oral history was discussed and the time commitment involved. Trish suggested utilizing a co-op student to be dedicated to the project be explored. It was also noted the commitment in time and resources that would need to be made to listing all heritage significant properties in Wellington North. It was noted that the historical society and archives are a great resource and are a starting point. April noted that the special Canada 150 publication, previously discussed, is a good starting point for communications that will help build the roundtable's profile and showcase a few examples of heritage sites and storytelling to get us started.

MOTIONS FOR COMMITTEE APPROVAL

None

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Youth Action Council – 2nd and 4th Thursday of each month
- Mount Forest Fireworks Festival Talent Search – February 4
- Hearts for Hayden – February 11

MEMBERS PRIVILEGE

- The Arthur Fall Fair theme is celebrating Canada's 150 and 100 years for 4-H
- The next Arthur Historical meeting on January 24th will feature a presentation on the Japanese culture in Wellington North
- January 28th the Arthur Agricultural Society will host their AGM with speaker
- Mount Forest Agricultural Society AGM to be held January 21st
- St. Paul's United Church host a jam with the John Paul Crew the last Saturday of the month
- Heritage Day at the Wellington County Museum will feature a Hockey Hall of Fame exhibit

NEXT COMMITTEE MEETING

The next meeting will be on Thursday, February 16, 2017 and will be held in Kenilworth.

RESOLUTION WNCR 2017-003

Moved: Linda Hruska

THAT THE Cultural Roundtable Committee meeting be adjourned at 2:00 pm.

CARRIED