

The meeting of the Heritage Newmarket Advisory Committee was held on Tuesday, March 7, 2017 in the Mulock Room, 395 Mulock Drive, Newmarket.

Members Present: Councillor Hempen (7:16 to 8:58 p.m.)  
Athol Hart, Chair  
Soni Felix Raj  
Billie Locke  
Joan Seddon  
Rohit Singh  
Malcolm Watts

Staff Present: S. Niezen, Records and Project Coordinator

Guest: D. Clark, Acting Design Chief, Infrastructure & Development  
York Region Rapid Transit

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m.

A. Hart in the Chair.

### **Additions & Corrections to Agenda**

The Chair advised of a status update presentation by Mr. David Clark of York Region Rapid Transit regarding the property known as the former Union Hotel at the corner of Main Street and Davis Drive.

### **Declarations of Interest**

Councillor Hempen declared a conflict of interest in Item 9 being discussion regarding the Ontario Municipal Board Pre-Hearing with respect to Main Street Clock Inc. as he owns a business within close proximity of the subject lands.

### **Presentations/Deputations**

1. Mr. David Clark, Acting Design Chief, Infrastructure & Development, York Region Rapid Transit addressed those present with a status update regarding the properties known as 425 and 431 Davis Drive (former Union Hotel). He provided a review of the history with respect to the rapid transit construction project on Davis Drive, the heritage

buildings located along the thoroughfare, issues associated with the relocation of the buildings further back from the street and the restoration efforts of the structures. Mr. Clark also advised of concerns related to the restoration of the building bricks versus the clapboard that existed on the structure in its early days. He requested the Heritage Committee's observations related to restoration of clapboard or brick before commencement of such project.

The Chair advised that the presentation information related to the property known as 425 and 432 Davis Drive be received and brought back to the April meeting of the Heritage Newmarket Advisory Committee for further discussion and that Mr. Clark be invited to the April meeting for follow-up.

## **Approval of Minutes**

2. Heritage Newmarket Advisory Committee Minutes of February 14, 2017.

Discussion ensued regarding the e-mail circulated by the Senior Planner – Community Planning with respect to the property known as the John Bogart House on Leslie Street and the demolition of the garage and associated charges and fine penalties.

Moved by: Malcolm Watts  
Seconded by: Joan Seddon

THAT the Heritage Newmarket Advisory Committee Minutes of February 14, 2017 be approved.

**Carried**

## **Correspondence**

3. Correspondence dated February 23, 2017 from the Committee of Adjustment regarding 770 Gorham Street.

Moved by: Councillor Hempen  
Seconded by: Rohit Singh

THAT the Heritage Newmarket Advisory Committee has concerns regarding the side yard setback and the setback from the street of the property known as 770 Gorham Street as the proposed building will diminish the streetscape and appearance of the heritage home.

**Carried**

4. Correspondence from National Trust for Canada regarding Launch Pad Coaching Grants.

Moved by: Joan Seddon  
Seconded by: Billie Locke

THAT the correspondence from National Trust for Canada regarding Launch Pad Coaching Grants be received;

AND THAT the Heritage Newmarket Advisory Committee consider utilizing the Young Canada Works Internship Program.

**Carried**

## **Items**

5. Notice of the Passing of a Zoning By-law Amendment by the Town of Newmarket regarding By-law 2017-05 with respect to Yonge Street and Davis Drive Urban Centres.

Moved by: Soni Felix Raj  
Seconded by: Malcolm Watts

THAT the Notice of Passing of Zoning By-law Amendment regarding By-law 2017-05 with respect to Yonge Street and Davis Drive Urban Centres be received for information.

**Carried**

6. Walking Tour Historical District Brochure Discussion.

Discussion ensued and the Committee members agreed that they would like to see a separate heritage conservation district map contained within the walking tour historical district brochure. A suggestion was made to confirm with the Town's Graphic Designer how this can be accomplished.

7. Designated Property Maintenance and Concerns.

a) Site plaques

The Chair advised he is awaiting an update from the Town's Senior Planner – Community Planning regarding site plaques.

b) Residence plaques

The Chair advised that a resident contacted him regarding a dwelling plaque having what they believed to be incorrect information. He advised that he is awaiting evidence confirmation of accuracy. The Chair advised that the Committee members would like to know where the Municipal Property Assessment Corporation obtains structure build dates which they provide to residents on their assessment notices. The Chair requested that the Town's Supervisor of Property Tax & Assessment obtain and provide this information for the Heritage Newmarket Advisory Committee.

c) Heritage location plaques

There was no discussion regarding the Heritage location plaques at this time.

8. Heritage Newmarket Budget.

Moved by:     Rojit Singh  
Seconded by: Joan Seddon

THAT a representative from the Town's Financial Services Department attend an upcoming Heritage Newmarket Advisory Committee meeting to provide a verbal explanation of the budget report.

**Carried**

9. Ontario Municipal Board Pre-Hearing re: Clock Tower Proposal Discussion.

Discussion ensued regarding the upcoming Ontario Municipal Board Pre-Hearing for the property known as Main Street Clock Inc. and Committee members requested participation status at the pre-hearing. A suggestion was made to have the Senior Planner – Community Planning follow up with the Legal Department regarding this ask.

Councillor Hempen took no part in the discussion of the foregoing matter.

10. Request for Heritage Conservation District Designation of Paddytown.

The Chair provided an update regarding a recent request by a resident for heritage designation of Paddytown. He advised that he will provide an explanation to the resident that there are several other areas of Town that are of interest for possible designation before any work on the possible designation of the area known as Paddytown will commence.

Moved by:       Rojit Singh  
Seconded by:   Joan Seddon

THAT the verbal update by the Chair regarding the resident request for heritage designation of Paddytown be received.

**Carried**

11. Reports of Committee Members.

a) Architecture, Recreation, Culture, Heritage (ARCH) Committee

The Chair advised that Mr. Rob Wilson is now the Manager of Culture and Community Events and is now the Town's liaison to the ARCH Committee. ARCH Members are awaiting input from the Planning and Building Services Department regarding the architectural piece known as 'Colonel Cotter's Gazebo'. The ARCH Committee has proposed that this piece be relocated to Fairy Lake Park as a Canada 150 project and is now waiting on information on how to proceed with such.

b) Elman W. Campbell Museum Board

The Chair advised that E-Signs Canada has submitted a proposal for a new sign at the museum at the estimated cost of \$21,997.00. The museum is a designated heritage building and the Heritage Newmarket Advisory Committee must approve the sign design. This matter will be added to the April, 2017 agenda for further discussion. B. Locke to e-mail the proposed new sign design to Heritage Newmarket Advisory Committee Members.

c) Lower Main Street South Heritage Conservation District Advisory Group

The Chair advised that the Lower Main Street South Heritage Conservation District Advisory Group is currently looking at several properties within the district; there is a proposal for the refurbishment of the property known as the Widdifield House at the southwest corner of Botsford Street and Main Street. The Advisory Group has also requested that the owner of the property known as the former King George Hotel work with the Chair of Heritage Newmarket on the refurbishment efforts of that property. The Chair also provided an update regarding the application for a sign permit for the proposed restaurant known as Snakmrkt in the lower portion of the Buckley's Insurance building. He advised that the sign permit application is for neon and the Lower Main Street South Heritage Conservation District Advisory Group has objected to this type of advertisement.

c) Newmarket Historical Society Board of Directors

J. Seddon provided a verbal update regarding the Newmarket Historical Society Board of Directors recent discussions with respect to Canada 150 celebration proposals and advised of a recommended event entitled 'On Bogart Pond' in June, 2017 in conjunction with a paper written by Mr. Malcolm Watts detailing the history of Bogarttown and Upper Canada.

## **New Business**

12. J. Seddon inquired regarding the possible sale of the Baptist Church.

Moved by: Councillor Hempen  
Seconded by: Joan Seddon

a) THAT the site plan that includes the Baptist Church and the neighbouring manse property be brought to the next Heritage Newmarket Advisory Committee meeting along with information of potential purchaser's options of purpose and use of the property.

**Carried**

## **Adjournment**

Moved by: Billie Locke  
Seconded by: Joan Seddon

THAT the meeting adjourn.

**Carried**

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 8:58 p.m.

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Date

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A. Hart, Chair