

Heritage Kenora ~ Meeting Notes ~ August 30, 2007

Present:

Lori Nelson Ted Szajewski Nancy Tulloch Riley Sleeman Rory McMillan Lisa Moncrief Tim Davidson

Regrets:

Jeff Port, Murray McDonald

1. **Call to Order**: 2:10 p.m.

- 2. **Declaration of Pecuniary Interest**: None were declared.
- 3. **Presentation by John Nabb**: John has informed Lori that it is too early to report to the Heritage Committee on the Clock Tower as the report first needs to go to Council. Lori will stay in contact with John for a presentation at a later date.

4. Business Arising form the Minutes

Internship: Lori reported that Kristen Bailey has been hired by the Northwest Business Centre for the Art Incubator project and will start on the 10th of September. The Heritage committee will have use of the services of the intern for 2 days per week and this will commence when Jeff returns from holidays. One of Kristen's first tasks will be administrative work in regards to the Community Improvement Plan, including application forms for: façade improvement and signage replacement.

Community Improvement Plan: Lori reported that a public meeting will be held before the Council meeting on the 24th of September. It is hoped that the plan will be approved by Council on the 24th. Within the plan, Heritage Kenora is named as the administrative body that will oversee applications and the approval process. Rory indicated that Council has not voiced any resistance to this.

Recognition of Kenricia Owners: Lori reported that the tentative recognition ceremony date is September 24th at the Council meeting. The date will be confirmed once the committee hears from the building owners. Once confirmed, Lori will contact Mayor Compton in regards to the recognition ceremony and to confirm his participation. A photographic print of the original building will be framed to be presented to the owners. The costs would be absorbed jointly by the Museum and the Planning Department. Consensus was attained from those in attendance to proceed with the print/framing. Committee members were encouraged to attend the recognition ceremony.

Ministry of Culture Training: Lisa reported that the sessions will be held in Kenora over 2 half days. She encouraged Heritage Kenora members to attend the general information session that will be held for surrounding communities interested in forming Heritage Committees. The dates for the session will be between October $15 - 22^{nd}$. The following are sessions that have been planned or that were suggested by committee members:

- Writing statements of Heritage Value
- Heritage Districts
- National Register (process)
- Site Analysis (what needs to be recorded for built and natural heritage properties)

Lori will send out an email next week asking committee members to submit additional session topics suggestions to Lisa Moncrief by Friday, September 7th. Venue was discussed. Suggestions that came forward: Operation's Boardroom or Training Room, Rotary Room, Museum or Council Chambers. Location will be determined at a later date.

- 5. **Committee Reports**: None available
- 6. **New Business**: Lori informed the group of a session on Building for Cultural Capacity that will be held April 29 May 1st. She will email the information to the committee in case anyone is interested in attending.
- 7. **Other Business**: Lori asked for the committee's thoughts on moving forward with nominations to the national register on currently designated buildings. The committee was in favour of proceeding and felt that it would show increased support for the downtown revitalization project. The committee was reminded that funding is only available for commercial properties under the current model.
- 8. **Next Meeting**: Thursday, September 27th at 2:00 p.m. in the Boardroom of the Operation's Building.

Adjournment: 2:50 p.m.