

Heritage Kenora ~ Meeting Notes ~ February 19, 2009 Museum Boardroom

Present: Lori Nelson Riley Sleeman Barb Manson

Lisa Moncrief Tim Davidson Jeff Port

Regrets: Keric Funk, Rory McMillan

1. **Call to Order-** Lori Nelson called the meeting to order at 9:30 am.

2. Declaration of Pecuniary Interest – None.

3. Adoption of minutes – No quorum.

4. CPR Station:

Lisa reported that the CRP station is federally designated, but it recommended that the building be listed on the Municipal Registry. It can also be recognized as a heritage property in the Official Plan.

5. Heritage Property Tax Relief

Jeff reported that the Heritage Property Tax Relief program is relatively straightforward. The Province will fund the education tax relief. Jeff reported on the technical aspects of the tax relief program. There was general discussion. Lisa will research examples of other programs in other municipalities. Jeff will use an anonymous heritage property to examine the impact of various percentage tax rebates.

6. Properties for Designation

Barb reported that she has talked to Erin Roussin, at the library, and she would like more information on the heritage designation process. Lori has sent background information to Chris Goold, owner of "The Belfry".

7. Memorial Park

Riley has researched the history of Memorial Park. The museum has photos and newspaper articles with respect to the park. The land was transferred to the City in 1910. The cenotaph was erected in approximately 1924.

8. Municipal Register Request

Jeff reported that the Planning and Property Committee does not wish to proceed with adding the Memorial Park, Anicinabe and Keewatin Beach, to the Municipal Registry, at this time. The parks will be dealt with as part of the beaches, parks and trails development project, with the Lake of the Woods Development Commission. Other, private sector properties, notified for potential designation that replied in the affirmative are: Stone House Del Art Manor Courthouse (tentative)

Twenty two letters were sent out in total. Barb and Tim will assist with follow up on the balance of the properties.

9. Heritage Designations Plaques

The Committee is waiting for cost estimates for Old Time Signs.

10. Murmur Project

Barb reported that Robin Elliot met the committee and talked about the requirement of delivering the Murmur program. The key will be the personal stories that describe what occurred in each location.

11. Heritage Planning Workshops

These workshops are being offered in Mississauga, Peterborough and Toronto. If anyone is interested they should contact Lori or Jeff.

12. Next meeting: March 19, 2009 at 9:30 a.m.

13. **Adjournment:** Meeting adjourned at 10:45 a.m.