



## **Heritage Kenora**

### **~ Meeting Notes ~**

October 21, 2015 - 9:30 am

Lake of the Woods Museum

**Present:** Tim Davidson, Rory McMillan, Jim Clarke, Tara Rickaby, Melissa Shaw, Lori Nelson.

**Regrets:** Lisa Moncrief, Jeff Port.

### **THERE WAS NO QUORUM FOR THIS MEETING**

#### **1 Scotiabank Renovations**

No update.

There was a discussion about the future upkeep of the existing murals. Rory will talk to LOWAC re: their interest in maintaining the murals. Also discussion about whether a mural has heritage value (would we designate a building in order to preserve a mural?).

#### **2 CIP Applications**

##### **Movies on Main**

Tara informed that there is soon to be a new tenant in the Movies on Main building. There will be a CIP application forthcoming for facade improvements and landscaping. The second building on that site will also have facade improvements.

##### **2015 Spending**

Tara provided an update on CIP spending in 2015. \$15,000 has been paid out for the Standard landscaping. Uptown Cafe has been approved for \$1,572 for signage. No paperwork for this project has been submitted yet for payment. \$16,000 for Seasons' 2nd St. location facade improvements will be carried over to 2016.

##### **39 Main Street South - Donny B**

No CIP application has been received from Don Beasant. No further update.

##### **2016 CIP Budget**

The Keewatin CIP, as part and parcel of the Official Plan, has not been formally approved yet. Once it is, a budget request of \$50,000 will be made for the Keewatin CIP; \$100,000

for the Kenora CIP for 2016.

### **Encouragement**

Lori suggested that we look around the downtown and see if there are any potential CIP projects and contact the owners about the CIP. We still have money to spend in this year's budget. Two identified are: Elizabeth Campbell Books (signage) and The Pier (facade and signage). Lori will contact Elizabeth Campbell. Tara and Melissa will find out from Kevin Robertson who the owner of The Pier is and will contact owners. Jim will do a drive-out and identify any other possible projects.

## **3 New Business**

### **2016 Operating Budget**

Tara has submitted an operating budget request for Heritage Kenora, increasing it by \$1,000 in the Travel and Training budget line. She also included money for Doors Open. There was a discussion that followed regarding what a future Doors Open might look like – possibly spreading it over several months, rather than one weekend. Lori reported that the Museum has started what they hope will become a series called *In This Place* in which Museum staff are giving talks about the history of certain locations in those actual locations, for e.g. the first will be held at the Old Courthouse/Jail. Perhaps a partnership could be developed? Instead of HK paying the \$1,500 DO registration fee, perhaps that money could be used for local promotions of a new and revised Doors-Open-like event.

### **New Members**

Tara reported that the vacancy on Heritage Kenora has been advertised three times with no response. We will likely have to recruit. Rory will talk to Mary Bawden about her possible involvement.

### **CHO Training**

An email was received from Wayne Morgan, President of Community Heritage Kenora, wondering if we are still interested in them offering a CHO workshop in Kenora. They would be willing to cover half the costs. There was interest expressed on the part of HK. Lori will contact Wayne to find out what training topics they are willing to present. Jim also mentioned the webinars CHO has available and it was suggested that these may be used for in-house training at a meeting or over a lunch one day. Council would also be invited to attend.

## **4 Next Scheduled Meeting**

Contingent upon the CIP application we are expecting re: Movies on Main property.