Minutes of the seventh meeting of Heritage Oshawa for 2014, being a special meeting held in the Committee Meeting Room, Council Building, Oshawa Civic Administration Complex on Monday, June 9, 2014 at 6:00 p.m.

Present: Diane Stephen, Chair
Gail Bates, Member
Robert Bell, Member
Dan Parker, Member
Margaret Wilkinson, Member

Also Present: L. Davis, Advisory Committee Co-ordinator
C. Goodchild, Manager, Policy
B. Slute, Manager, Parks Maintenance Services

Absent: Christine McLaughlin, Vice Chair
Catherine Watt, Member

Deputations and Presentations

Moved by Robert Bell,
“That the delegation from Rosemary McConkey be heard.” CARRIED

HTG-14-70 Rosemary McConkey requesting to address Heritage Oshawa Regarding Renaming the Columbus Community Centre to Honour the Late Jim Flaherty

Rosemary McConkey addressed Heritage Oshawa regarding renaming the Columbus Community Centre to honour the late Jim Flaherty, stating that she has requested the Community Services Committee consider renaming the building, and requested Heritage Oshawa support this proposal. Rosemary McConkey advised that Mr. Flaherty’s sister-in-law lived in Columbus, and that he attended the annual Canada Day community events. Cathy Clarke also addressed the Committee to speak in favour of the renaming proposal, and stated that she was pleased that Heritage Oshawa has the opportunity to comment on this matter.

The Committee questioned the delegates.

HTG-14-66 Demolition Permit Application: Beaver Lodge, Camp Samac

The Manager, Policy provided a presentation to the Committee regarding a demolition permit application for the Beaver Lodge at Camp Samac. The Manager, Policy advised that the building is causing safety concerns and is heavily damaged from moisture and mould, and the camp would like to commence the demolition before summer camp commences and children are in the area. The
Manager, Policy advised that the structure was built in 1955 and refurbished with new doors and windows in 1996. It was noted that the building is not designated, and a research report has not been completed.

The Committee questioned the Manager, Policy and staff from Camp Samac.

Moved by Dan Parker,
“That pursuant to the presentation regarding the demolition of Beaver Lodge at Camp Samac, 1711, 1721 Simcoe Street North, Heritage Oshawa, with regret, has no objection to the demolition of Beaver Lodge, subject to the following recommendations:

1. That photos be taken of the interior and exterior by a member of Heritage Oshawa at a time convenient to the property owner; and,

2. That Habitat for Humanity have the opportunity to salvage material prior to demolition.” CARRIED

Correspondence

HTG-14-69 Rosemary McConkey – Requesting to Address Heritage Oshawa Regarding Renaming the Columbus Community Centre to Honour the Late Jim Flaherty

The Committee discussed Correspondence HTG-14-69 dated June 5, 2014 from Rosemary McConkey regarding renaming the Columbus Community Centre to Honour the Late Jim Flaherty.

Moved by Gail Bates,
“That Correspondence HTG-14-69 dated June 5, 2014 from Rosemary McConkey regarding renaming the Columbus Community Centre to Honour the Late Jim Flaherty be referred to Report HTG-14-68.” CARRIED

Reports

HTG-14-67 DS-14-89, Request from Ms. Anita Jaynes to Designate Two Horse Cemeteries on the Former Windfields Farm Lands Pursuant to the Ontario Heritage Act

The Committee questioned the Manager, Policy.

Moved by Gail Bates,
“That pursuant to Report HTG-14-67 ‘DS-14-89, Request from Ms. Anita Jaynes to Designate Two Horse Cemeteries on the Former Windfields Farm Lands Pursuant to the Ontario Heritage Act’ dated June 6, 2014 referencing correspondence from Anita Jaynes requesting the City of Oshawa designate the Trillium Cemetery and the Northern Dancer Cemetery under the Ontario Heritage Act, Heritage Oshawa supports initiating the process to designate the Trillium Cemetery under the Ontario Heritage Act including retaining a consultant to complete a heritage research report.” CARRIED

HTG-14-68 Request for Comments Concerning the Renaming of the Columbus Community Centre

The Committee discussed Report HTG-14-68 ‘Request for Comments Concerning the Renaming of the Columbus Community Centre’ dated June 6, 2014.

The Committee questioned the Manager, Parks Maintenance Services.

Moved by Gail Bates,
“Whereas the Corporate Services Committee forwarded CORP-14-60 ‘Opportunity to Recognize Jim Flaherty’ on April 14, 2014 to the Community Services Committee; and,

Whereas Community Services Committee Correspondence CS-14-72 offered an opportunity to have a tree planted at the Columbus Community Centre; and,

Whereas it is important for the City to have a response from Mr. Flaherty’s family with regard to options available to honour Mr. Flaherty’s memory and contribution to the City of Oshawa; and,

Whereas renaming the Columbus Community Centre has no effect on its designation as an Ontario Heritage Building under the Ontario Heritage Act,

Therefore be it resolved:

1. That Heritage Oshawa supports CORP-14-60 ‘Opportunity to Recognize Jim Flaherty’ which directs that staff develop appropriate options for the City to recognize and celebrate the life of Jim Flaherty, MP, who has represented with high stature and report back to the Corporate Services Committee at its next meeting and
that the motion be referred to the Community Services Committee meeting; and,

2. That Heritage Oshawa supports Correspondence DS-14-72 which states in part ‘The Columbus Community wishes to do something in memory of Jim. Our thoughts are to plant a tree in his honour at the Columbus Community Centre’ and suggests and upgraded plaque be installed; and,

3. That the former East Whitby Township Hall, located in the Village of Columbus remain named the Columbus Community Centre.”

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Moved by Robert Bell,

“Whereas the Corporate Services Committee forwarded CORP-14-60 ‘Opportunity to Recognize Jim Flaherty’ on April 14, 2014 to the Community Services Committee; and,

Whereas Community Services Committee Correspondence CS-14-72 offered an opportunity to have a tree planted at the Columbus Community Centre; and,

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Therefore be it resolved:

1. That Heritage Oshawa support CORP-14-60 ‘Opportunity to Recognize Jim Flaherty’ which directs that staff develop appropriate options for the City to recognize and celebrate the life of Jim Flaherty, MP, who has represented with high stature and report back to the Corporate Services Committee at its next meeting and that the motion be referred to the Community Services Committee meeting; and,

2. That Heritage Oshawa recommend that the City contact the Flaherty family and confirm that any proposed renaming or honouring be done with the approval of the Flaherty family; and,
3. That the former East Whitby Township Hall, located in the Village of Columbus be renamed in honour of Jim Flaherty, the exact name to be determined in consultation with his family.” CARRIED

Moved by Gail Bates,
“That the meeting adjourn.” CARRIED

The meeting adjourned at 6:52 p.m.