Minutes of the second meeting of Heritage Oshawa for 2017, held in the Committee Meeting Room, Council Building, Oshawa Civic Administration Complex on Thursday, February 23, 2017 at 6:30 p.m.

Present: Amanda Robinson, Chair  
Laura Thursby, Vice Chair  
Jane Clark, Member (entered the meeting at 6:33 p.m.)  
Margaret Wilkinson, Member (entered the meeting at 6:35 p.m.)  
Jennifer Weymark, Oshawa Historical Society, Member  
Jack O'Donnell, Member  
Councillor Rick Kerr, Member  

Also Present: Felicia Bianchet, Advisory Committee Coordinator  
Margaret Kish, Senior Planner  

Absent: None.

Declarations of Pecuniary Interest

None.

Deputations and Presentations

HTG-17-11 Proposed Alterations to 8 Simcoe Street North

The Senior Planner provided an overview of the proposed alterations to the storefront located at 8 Simcoe Street North, noting that the building was built in 1860, is listed as a Class A property in the Heritage Oshawa Inventory, and that there is no research report on the property. The Senior Planner advised that the alterations will make the storefront flush with the wall for more floor space for a coffee/wine bar.

Jane Clark and Margaret Wilkinson entered the meeting during the presentation.

The Committee questioned the Senior Planner and Property Owners.

Moved by Councillor Kerr,  
"That in accordance with HTG-17-11, Heritage Oshawa has no objections to the proposed alterations to 8 Simcoe Street North."  
Carried

HTG-17-12 South Field Master Plan Study

The Senior Planner provided a presentation on the South Field Master Plan Study, noting that Council authorized staff to undertake the study at the Oshawa Executive Airport in November 2016. The Senior Planner provided background information on the proposed study area, terms of reference and work plan. The Senior Planner noted that the purpose of the study is to conclude with a preferred land use option.
Moved by Jennifer Weymark,
“That Heritage Oshawa pursue a research report on the properties located at 1000 Stevenson Road North that were not included in the 2002 report on 420 Wing; and,

That Heritage Oshawa strike a South Field Master Plan Study Working Group to create a proposal for possible heritage designation(s) on a/any appropriate building(s) on the South Field land in the Oshawa Executive Airport land use area; and,

That the Working Group consist of four members; three of which must also be members of Heritage Oshawa; and,

That Heritage Oshawa appoint the following members of Heritage Oshawa to the South Field Master Plan Study Working Group: Councillor Kerr, Jack O'Donnell and Margaret Wilkinson; and,

That Heritage Oshawa appoint Doug Raine to the South Field Master Plan Study Working Group as a member of the public; and,

That Councillor Kerr be appointed as Chair of the South Field Master Plan Study Working Group.” Carried

Moved by Councillor Kerr,
“That the order of the agenda be altered to bring forward Correspondence HTG-17-07 concerning the demolition request of the house at 24 Mill Street submitted by Malinda Matharu.” Carried on a 2/3 vote of members present

Correspondence

HTG-17-07 Malinda Matharu Submitting a Request for Demolition of the House on the Property at 24 Mill Street

Moved by Laura Thursby,
“That Correspondence HTG-17-07 from Malinda Matharu dated January 25, 2017 requesting the removal of 24 Mill Street from the Class B Heritage be lifted from the table.” Carried

Correspondence HTG-17-07 was now before the Committee.

The Committee discussed Correspondence HTG-17-07 from Malinda Matharu dated January 25, 2017 concerning a request for the removal of 24 Mill Street from the Class B Heritage Status in order to demolish and build low-income housing.

The Committee questioned the Senior Planner.
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Moved by Jennifer Weymark, “That in accordance with Correspondence HTG-17-07, the request from Malinda Matharu to remove 24 Mill Street as a Class B Heritage Status from the Heritage Oshawa Inventory be denied.” Carried as amended by later votes

Moved by Councillor Kerr, “That the motion be amended to add: ‘That Heritage Oshawa has no objections to the proposed demolition of 24 Mill Street.” Carried as amended

Moved by Laura Thursby, “That the amendment be amended to delete the words ‘no objections to the proposed demolition’ and replacing them with the words ‘regrets over the proposed demolition but does not strongly object to the demolition’.” Carried

The vote on the amendment Carried as amended.

The vote on the motion Carried as amended

Additional Agenda-Related Items

None.

Review of the Heritage Oshawa 2017 Work Plan

The Committee reviewed the 2017 Heritage Oshawa work plan and noted various status updates.

HTG-17-13 Inventory Working Group

Moved by Margaret Wilkinson, “That an Inventory Working Group be created; and,

That Jane Clark, Margaret Wilkinson, Jennifer Weymark, and Laura Thursby be appointed to the working group; and,

That Margaret Wilkinson be appointed as Chair of the working group.” Carried

HTG-17-14 Doors Open Working Group

Moved by Laura Thursby, “That a Doors Open Working Group be created to work on the 2017 Doors Open event as outlined in the work plan; and,
That Councillor Kerr, Laura Thursby, and Amanda Robinson be appointed to the working group; and,

That Amanda Robinson be appointed as Chair of the working group.” Carried

HTG-17-15 Jane’s Walk Working Group

Moved by Jane Clark,
“That a Jane’s Walk Working Group be created to explore the possibility of participating in a Jane’s Walk in Oshawa; and,

That Jane Clark, Jack O'Donnell, and Margaret Wilkinson be appointed to the working group; and,

That Jane Clark be appointed as Chair of the working group.” Carried

Referrals from City Council

None.

Reports

HTG-17-09 List of Properties with Structures Built in 1947


The Committee questioned the Senior Planner.

Moved by Margaret Wilkinson,
“That Report HTG-17-09 concerning a list of properties with structures built in 1947 be referred to the Inventory Working Group.” Carried

HTG-17-10 Information from Oshawa City Council – 2017 Budget

The Committee discussed Report HTG-17-10 dated February 17, 2017 concerning information from Oshawa City Council from the meeting of January 25, 2017.

Moved by Jennifer Weymark,
“That Report HTG-17-10 concerning information from Oshawa City Council from the meeting of January 25, 2017 be received for information.” Carried
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Other Business

HTG-17-16  Proposed Wording for Harriet Cock Plaque

Moved by Jennifer Weymark,
“That Heritage Oshawa approve the following wording for the Harriet Cock Plaque:

‘In 1846 Harriet Trevithick Cock made the long journey from England to Canada with her daughter, also named Harriet, and son-in-law, Thomas Guy Jr. In 1847 Harriet purchased 92 acres of lot 14 in the 6th Concession (Winchester Road) in East Whitby Township. She then went on to purchase 150 acres of lots 13 and 14 in the 5th Concession of the Township. In 1861 she purchased 100 acres in Grey County.

She settled and built a home for herself, known as Mevagissey Farm. The farm was named after the area of Cornwall, England she had lived in before journeying to Canada. Harriet also constructed a home for her staff, along Simcoe Street North, just south of the 6th Concession. Harriet ran this farm and was even listed as a farmer in the 1851 census. Harriet willed this property, approximately 100 acres of lots 13 and 14 in the 5th Concession, to her great-grandson John Trevithick Guy, the youngest son of William B. Guy. This land would eventually become part of Windfield Farms.

Harriet was a remarkable woman, carving out a life in a new land and basically doing so on her own. The home she built, in the mid-1800s, was a 1 ½ storey frame home and stood on this property until 2016. This home stood as a testament to one of Oshawa’s early female land owners.”  Tabled by later motion

The Committee discussed the proposed wording for the Harriet Cock Plaque.

Moved by Laura Thursby,
“That the motion be tabled to allow time for the Committee to review and provide feedback at the March 23, 2017 meeting of Heritage Oshawa.” Carried

Moved by Councillor Kerr,
“That the meeting adjourn.” Carried

The meeting adjourned at 9:17 p.m.