

CULTURAL ROUNDTABLE

Wednesday, June 3, 2026 | 10:00am

Saugeen Room, Civic Centre In-Person | Virtual Link <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82112174328>

MEMBERS PRESENT

OTHERS PRESENT

DISCLOSURE OF PECUNIARY INTEREST

DELEGATIONS:

DISCUSSIONS & DECISIONS

1. Adoption of April 1, 2026 Regular Meeting Minutes
2. Business Arising from Minutes
3. Initiative Updates:
 - 3.1 Downtown Plan
 - 3.2 Music in the Square
 - 3.3 Downtown Street Banners
 - 3.4 Event Development Fund
 - 3.5 Culture Days
4. Joint Cultural Roundtable with Minto & Wellington North:
 - 4.1 Cultural Symposium Review
 - 4.2 Fall Joint Meeting
 - 4.3 Culture Bus October 3, 2026
5. Roundtable Member Updates | New Business
6. Adjournment

Next Meeting: August 5, 2026 @ 10:00am

CULTURAL ROUNDTABLE SUB-COMMITTEE MINUTES

Wednesday, April 1, 2026 | 10:00am
Saugeen Room | Civic Centre & Virtual to Public

MEMBERS PRESENT	Bev Morgan Pat Butler Kathi Maskell Susan Sakal
OTHERS PRESENT	April Marshall Brandon Dobson Lindsey McLean Carolyn Caskanette
REGRETS	Stephen Ferguson

DISCLOSURE OF PECUNIARY INTEREST - B. Morgan declared a pecuniary interest with item 3.3 regarding the Downtown Street Banner judging due to being a member of the Saugeen Artist Guild and having submitted her own artwork for this project.

DELEGATIONS: Nil

DISCUSSIONS & DECISIONS

1. Adoption of February 11th, 2026 Regular Meeting Minutes

Moved by S. Sakal | Seconded by K. Maskell

THAT the minutes of the February 11th, 2026 Regular Meeting Minutes be approved as printed and circulated. **CARRIED**

2. Business Arising from Minutes-

- 1.1. Discussion regarding Doors Open. Doors Open is currently not a feasible option for the cultural roundtable due to the number of sites and number of volunteers required to participate in the program. A. Marshall noted Grey County may be considering Doors Open.
- 1.2. Music in the Square- No further considerations will be implemented at this time regarding changing the dates based on public engagement feedback received in general regarding the importance of collaborating and implementing events while considering capacity to make the best use of resources and have the greatest impact.

3. Initiative Updates

3.1. Downtown Plan

Draft plan to come late April. The Vision Board completed at the idea jamming session and will be used to spark interest at upcoming events. The library expressed interest in having it on display amongst other locations discussed. The podcasts have been released and are available on Town of Hanover Website via Spotify

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3.2. Music in the Square

Entertainers are currently being booked for the second and fourth Saturday of June, July & August.

3.3. Downtown Street Banners

There were 25 submissions from the Saugeen Artists Guild for consideration to update the downtown street banners. Committee members voted and scored each submission using the established judging criteria. L. McLean collected scoring sheets from committee members to evaluate scoring and determine which designs will be manufactured.

3.4. Poetry Month

C. Caskanette shared that ten businesses are participating in displaying a poem in their locations. Prizes are available for individuals who take a picture with the poem in a business. Coffee with local poets will happen on April 10th at 11:00am with Open Mic Night occurring in the Community Hall on April 17th at 6:00PM. The roundtable was thanked for their support.

4. Joint Cultural Roundtable- With Minto & Wellington North

A year in review was presented with collaborations being highlighted and survey results shared from last year's symposium in Harriston. Overall positive responses from those surveyed. 2500 copies of the Ontario Culture Days Culture Guide telling the story of Saugeen Area were distributed. The Culture Bus Tour results were also shared, with superb results for this highly valued initiative. This year's tour will be held on October 3rd. Members discussed Hanover stops, including B. Morgan Studio, as part of the fall studio tour and a visit to the Entertainment District (Hanover Raceway, Carriage House, P&H Centre). Driftscape's positive results were also shared.

5. Cultural Plan Review | 2026 Work Plan & Events

A. Marshall presented the Town of Hanover Cultural Plan- Implementation Summary, Goals and Action Alignment review. Many of the actions have been implemented since the plan's creation in 2019. Members shared their enthusiasm for the summary and strategic review of actions implemented. Committee members further discussed planning a youth talent event for Fall 2026.

6. Roundtable Member Updates | New Business

6.1. S. Sakal - Hanover Rotary Club to host Corn Fest in August 2026/

6.2. B. Dobson – Shared information about the Guided Acrylic Paint Class on April 2nd at the P&H Centre and the Earth Day Community Cleanup on April 22nd that is sponsored by Hallman Motors. Activities include Stuff the Hallman Truck; Pizza & Light refreshments available for volunteers; and Community Wide Yard sale on April 25th. People are encouraged to register by April 20th to be included on the Earth Day Community Wide Yard Sale Map. Canada Day planning is also underway for July 1st.

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- 6.3. C. Caskanette shared that the Hanover Library is partnering Saugeen Artist Guild for an Art Sale on May 23rd.
- 6.4. A. Marshall shared that B. Morgan as chair of the committee provided a letter of support for a grant application that would assist the Town to better plan use of municipal owned facilities to incorporate strategic priorities and identified space needs in the future, i.e., cultural space.
- 6.5. B. Morgan is preparing for summer exhibits and the Art Sale. Saugeen Artist Guild to be at the April 11th -12th Holstein Maple Syrup Festival.

7. **Correspondence-** Nil

8. **Adjournment**

Moved by P. Butler

THAT the meeting be adjourned.

CARRIED

Next Meeting: June 3rd, 2026 at 10:00am.



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Ontario, Canada

LIVE | LOCAL | FREE

MUSIC IN THE SQUARE

Saturdays

**Heritage Square
11 a.m.-1 p.m.**

*Join us for a picnic in the park before enjoying the Hanover Raceway
In coordination with the Eat Well Farmers' Market + Visit the
Library and Shop and Dine Local in Downtown Hanover*



June 27

**Canadian Multicultural Day
and New Resident Event**



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MATTY SINGS



**PETUNIA THE CLOWN
BALLOON TWISTING**

**On June 27, Mayor Paterson will help kick things off and welcome new residents.
Welcome Packages and other Newcomer Resources available.**



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JUNE 13



**THE RUTHVEN
SISTERS**

JULY 11



DAVE MENARD

JULY 25



**RICK FAIRBURN &
EMILY POWER**

AUGUST 8



**LISA MCEWEN &
STEVE WILKINSON**

AUGUST 22



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