Hanover
Ontario, Canada

HANOVER HERITAGE COMMITTEE MINUTES

Thursday, May 18, 2023 | 10:00 am
Archives Room | St. Matthew's Evangelical Church

MEMBERS PRESENT	Al Morrow l Jim Rahn | Jason Rahn | Andrew Edgcumbe | Stu Lamont | George Rahn | Bill Switzer | Gary Fleischauer
REGRETS	nil
OTHERS PRESENT	Laura Christen

1. **DISCLOSURE OF PECUNIARY INTEREST –** Nil

2. **ADOPTION OF THE APRIL 20, 2023 MINUTES**

   Moved by S. Lamont l Seconded by B. Switzer

   That the minutes of the April 20, 2023 regular meeting be approved as printed and circulated. **CARRIED**

3. **BUSSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES-** Nil

4. **MYSTERY QUIZ**

   S. Lamont presented a mini historical quiz highlighting former Hanover businesses

5. **ITEMS FOR INFORMATION**

   5.1. Canadian History EHx- L. Christen presented a pod cast opportunity. The organizer is requesting stories to show listeners how amazing Canadian History is. **ACTION: L. Christen will reach out to Mr. Baird for more details.**

   5.2. Heritage Requests for Information Update:

   5.2.1. Lamlash School had a reunion and the archives the committee provided were enjoyed.

   5.2.2. The Hanover Hospital Foundation has requested to borrow a few archive items for the upcoming Gala

   5.2.3. Hanover Lawn Bowling Club & St. Matthew's Evangelical Church have requested an updated history to current day

6. **ITEMS FOR DIRECTION / DISCUSSION**

   6.1. Building Recognition Signs 2023 update | Ja. Rahn identified two (2) participating downtown locations that have received their signage, but not installed. **ACTION: L.**

Christen to provide a copy of the signed agreement(s) for members to follow up with owners regarding the status of installation.

6.2. **P&H Centre Display Update** | Greeting cards and old post cards display preparation has begun. A. Morrow completed the image enlarging onto cardstock at the P&H Centre. Install is proposed within the next week or two. Next topics: Fall 2023: Hanover Hockey | Jan 2023- Kitchen and glassware.

6.3. **Self Guided Cemetery Tour update |** Member A. Morrow has a list of 21 tombstones to be included in the proposed self guided cemetery tour brochure. **ACTION: A. Morrow will organize a tour for members to help clean tombstones and take photos.**

6.4. **Ontario Heritage Act inquiry |** The Town's Clerks Department inquired if the committee was interested in pursuing historically significant designation for any Hanover properties though a municipal by-law or the Ministry. The committee has reviewed this in the past and consensus is the committee does not wish to pursue this and will address individual properties on a case by case basis if needed.

6.5. **Canada Day 2023 | Heritage Square 20th Anniversary |** The committee discussed they are interested in participating in Canada Day celebration by opening up the archives and clock tower including ringing of the bell and will display Knechtel related memorabilia.

6.6. **Heritage Square- Splash Pad location input |** The committee discussed the proposed location of a community splash pad in the music garden within Heritage square. The following motion was passed:

Moved by G. Rahn l Seconded by S. Lamont
THAT the Hanover Heritage committee feels the addition of a splash pad to the park does not mesh well with the original historical intent and genre of the park.
CARRIED

7. NEW BUSINESS-

7.1. **Town of Hanover Strategic Plan Focus Group | June 21** | members Ja. Rahn, and A. Morrow will attend on behalf of the committee

7.2. **Culture Days 2023 |** The committee is proposing to host an artifact road show in connection to Culture Days in Sept. 2023

7.3. **Digital Recording |** The committee identified that recording residents of Hanover to capture their "stories" should be a priority of the committee as there are some that have been missed. **ACTION: Next meeting the committee will brainstorm a list of names to be approached**

7.4. **CD's to Digital |** The committee identified that the format that they are storing material is becoming obsolete and they need to upgrade their current CD's to a digital format with "cloud" back up. The committee further identified a need for a computer to complete this information transfer. **ACTION: Ja. Rahn will contact A. Olivero to attend an upcoming meeting as a delegate to make a recommendation to the committee relating to preserving historical files using current technology.**

8. NEXT MEETING

Thursday June 15 l 10:00am | Proposed location Mighton Funeral home- to be confirmed

9. ADJOURNMENT

Moved B. Switzer

THAT this meeting be adjourned at 11:25 am.
CARRIED

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Committee Chair

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Laura Christen, Director of Parks, Recreation & Culture