

**ARCHITECTURAL CONSERVANCY ONTARIO
PORT HOPE BRANCH
MINUTES OF MEETING**

Place: Caretaker's Cottage
Time: Thursday, November 2, 2023, 7p.m.
Present: Ian MacKay, Katherine McHarg, Brenda Willows, Lydia Svenningson, Janet Eby, Bill Bickle, Jenny Wadds, and Susan Carmichael

Regrets: Laura Antonik, Tom Cruickshank, Bruce Bowden, Susan Layard, Phil Carter

Guests: Patsy Beeson, Phil Goldsmith

CALL TO ORDER: 7:00 p.m.

LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT-

DECLARATION OF CONFLICT OF INTEREST: None

AGENDA:

MOTION: to Approve Agenda
(Brenda/Lydia) **CARRIED**

MINUTES:

MOTION: to Approve Minutes of October 5, 2023
(Janet/Lydia) **CARRIED**

BUSINESS ARISING FROM MINUTES: none

CORRESPONDENCE: Letter of thanks received from Bruce Bowden on behalf of the Friends of the Library Executive for ACO help in promoting the 2 heritage talks at the Capitol theatre as well as participating at the event.

CHAIR'S REPORT: Ian MacKay

- Met with the Co-Chairs- Peter Duck and Sharon Hancock of the On-line Auction committee and confirmed they are not interested in holding an In-person Auction but will continue with the On-line Auctions. A 2nd committee will be formed to hold the In person Auction. This will require co-ordination between the 2 committees for donations and timing.
- ACOntario Heritage Awards was held, and Rod Stewart won an award for plaster conservation. The Blue Stone Documentary was nominated but did not win.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

- **Advocacy – Bruce Bowden/Susan Layard via email**
 - 65 Ward St. -The OLT Case Management Conference was held on Oct 13, 23
 - -Highlights include:
 - Southbridge lawyer put a forward a motion claiming the Heritage Demolition permit granted in February 2022 is still valid despite the fact it was rescinded in December 2022 after the agreement expired.
 - Date to consider this motion is November 23
 - A second CMC is scheduled for Jan 23, 2024 and the Hearing on March 6,7,8, 2024
 - Bowmanville Boys Training School – Camp 30 heritage Property
 - Developers who own a portion of this site have requested a demotion permit
 - ACO has written to Clarington in support of denying an application to demolish the buildings

- **Communications/Marketing- Bill Bickle- via email**
 - Highlights include
 - Consideration being given to a year long celebration for the 60th anniversary. It was agreed a separate committee should be formed including other ACO members.
 - Report included pictures of Blue Stone Documentary committee and Rod Stewart/Bruce Bowden with Rod's Award.

- **Education- Katherine McHarg/Jenny Wadds**
 - Walking Tours –
 - Total funds raise \$560.
 - A thank you to the Guides – Tom Cruickshank, Brian Buttery, Bruce Bowden, and Lois Brown
 - Changes are being considered for next year's tours such as name changes, number of tours and marketing
 - ACO assisted in the marketing of the Lectures at the Capitol Theatre on Oct 29th and promoted membership, sale of books and ornaments.

- **Grants – Susan Carmichael**
 - 82 Augusta – Tim and Kerri Healey- work on the chimney has been completed and the grant of \$5500 paid out.

- **HPH –Marie Jones – via email**
 - Highlights include:
 - Permit Application for Wesleyville Church for repair/replacement of windows, restore front, rear, and east elevations.
 - 118/120 Walton St. did not submit an application for work recently completed – It will be denied and asked to remove paint.
 - Letter to Designated Property owners Re; Plaque can be purchased for \$350.
 - Awaiting designation for Union Cemetery, Caretaker's Cottage, and Dead House
 - Town Crest for Light Standards approved by the Municipality

- **OTHER BUSINESS**
 - 2 Blue Shirts – Over the past few years, Aaron Peacock and Aiden Kennedy have been instrumental in the success of the virtual House Tours, Blue Stone Documentary and other initiatives. Very community minded.

MOTION: To give Aaron Peacock and Aiden Kennedy a 1-year membership to ACO Port Hope.

(Lydia/Bill)

CARRIED

- ACOntario Policies – Bruce Bowden (arrived late)
 - Policies have been revised and will be sent to Branches shortly.
 - Of Note – the Grants Policy will not be limited to only exterior restoration but could include elements of the interior.
- Xmas Party- Dec 1/ 23 at 2 Baldwin St.
 - Anna Gray – Chair – almost all organized with an excellent response from members- 120 responded to date.

MEETING CONCLUDED: 7:47 pm

NEXT MEETING: Thursday December 7, 2023

Minutes recorded by Susan Carmichael