

Historic Sites Committee

Meeting of October 7, 2009

A meeting of the Historic Sites Committee was held in the Admin Room, Central Library at 4:40 p.m. with the following present:

Members: Hilary Bates Neary, Chair, Gina Barber, Gary Kerhoulas, John Lutman, Anne McKillop, Arthur McClelland, Margaret Mitchell,

Apologies: Jason Jordan, Cliff Oliver, Mike Murphy, Jonathan Vance.

HS09/23 Minutes of June 3, 2009

It was MOVED by Mr. Lutman and seconded by Ms. McKillop that the minutes from the June 3, 2009 meeting be approved.

CARRIED

HS09/24 Business Arising from the Minutes - none

HS09/25 New Business

Historic Sites Committee Trust Fund Report

Ms. Mitchell presented the current Trust Fund Report which reflects the plaques just purchased. Currently, there is \$900 in the account.

Members discussed applying for grant funding.

HS09/25.1 Archives

Ms. Bates Neary and Mr. McClelland have been making progress archiving materials related to past Historic Sites plaques.

HS09/25.2 Walking Guide: Further Ideas for Marketing

More ideas are needed to sell The Walking Guide. Ms. Bates Neary will contact the Bookstore at U.W.O and Fanshawe College to determine if they would be willing to sell the book. A suggestion was to contact the Director of the Public History program in the U.W.O. History Department.

HS09/25.3 LPL Website and Historic Sites Committee

Deferred to next meeting.

HS09/26 Plaques

Dawn of Tomorrow

The plaque unveiling is scheduled for October 21st, 2009 at 2 p.m. at 95 Glenwood Avenue, with a reception following at the Crouch Branch Library. David Jenkins will speak.

HS09/26.1 The Industrial Banner

The plaque unveiling is scheduled for November 17th, 2009 at 2 p.m. on the south wall of the Scotiabank with a reception following in the bank. David Spencer will speak.

HS09/26.2 Farmer's Advocate

Mr. Lutman provided information on the Farmer's Advcoate from 1866 to 1965. It was located in various locations including: 360 Richmond and the Marienbad Restaurant on Carling Street

This will be discussed again at the next meeting.

HS09/26.3 Oakwood, 602 Queens Avenue

Mr. Lutman and Mr. McClelland will work on a plaque text for the next meeting.

HS09/26.4 McCormick Manufacturing Company – The City is developing an area plan and just passed new terms of reference. It is currently zoned industrial and the City is looking at the possibility of changing the zoning to residential. The plaque has disappeared since the business has closed.

HS09/26.5 Buchan House - Plaque is still on the building.

HS09/26.6 Blackburn House – Ms. Bates Neary will contact the owners about the possibility of placing a plaque on the building.

Further suggestions for plaques include:

Mark Twain - Mr. Twain spoke on Clarence Street near Dundas. Mr. Kerhoulas will bring further information for the next meeting

90 Central
Bishop's Palace

Block from Richmond to Wellington (north side)

129/131 Wellington Street (Antiquities Shop) – first commercial residence

Tecumseh House Hotel

HS09/27 Other Business

Historic Sites and Monuments Board of Canada plaque for Noble and Wolf v. Alley

Ms. Bates Neary has emailed the Executive Secretary and will await discussion in December.

HS09/27.1 DAM Report (Digital Assets Management)

Friends have funded the digitization of photographs in the London Room. Mr. McClelland has identified 575 photos which are copyright-free. Library index cards will be scanned later.

HS09/28 Upcoming Meetings

December 2nd

The meeting adjourned at 5:45 p.m.