

HALIFAX REGIONAL MUNICIPALITY

HERITAGE ADVISORY COMMITTEE

March 30, 2005

MINUTES

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Councillor Dawn Sloane
Mr. Clarence Butler
Mr. Paul MacKinnon
Mr. Bill Meagher
Mr. Bill Mont
Mr. Mark Pothier

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Mr. Caley MacLennan
Councillor Sue Uteck
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STAFF:

Ms. Maggie Holm, Heritage Planner
Ms. Patti Halliday, Legislative Assistant
Ms. Stephanie Parsons, Legislative Assistant

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1. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES - February 23, 2005**

MOVED by Mr. Clarence Butler, seconded by Mr. Paul MacKinnon, that the minutes of February 23, 2005, be approved, as circulated. **MOTION PUT AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.**

2. **APPROVAL OF THE ORDER OF BUSINESS, ADDITIONS AND DELETIONS**

Ms. Maggie Holm, Heritage Planner, commented that the Heritage Incentive Program is now being administered through the Heritage Property Program in order to have one point of contact. New application forms are ready to go online.

The Order of Business was accepted.

3. **BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES** - NONE

4. **CONSIDERATION OF NEW BUSINESS**

4.1 **H00161 - Application for Registration of 5660 Fenwick Street Halifax**

C A staff report dated March 7, 2005, was before the Committee for its consideration.

Ms. Alfreda Withrow, Research Consultant, presented the report to the Committee and responded to questions of the Committee.

It was noted that

- there is a small addition to the back of the house.
- there are three similar homes next to 5660 Fenwick Street, Halifax that have not been modified, to maintain continuity may have to flag as potential streetscape

Mr. Clarence Butler commented that if the application is approved the neighbouring houses may follow.

It was suggested that a letter and application form be sent to the other residents.

Scoring Summary

Criterion	Highest Possible Score	Score Awarded
1. Age	25	13 (1895)
2. A) Relationship to Important Occasions, Institutions, Personages or Groups OR 2. B) Important/Unique Architectural Style or Highly Representative of an Era	20	15 Option B Moderately important/unique representative of an era
3. Significance of Architect/Builder	10	0 Not significant, no information available
4. A) Architectural Merit: Construction type/building technology	10	3 Somewhat rare/early example
4. B) Architectural Merit: Style	10	3 Somewhat rare/early example
5. Architectural Integrity	15	13 Largely Unchanged
6. Relationship to Surrounding Area	10	5 Architecture is compatible with the surrounding area and maintains its heritage character.
Total	100	52

MOVED by Councillor Dawn Sloane, seconded by Mr. Clarence Butler, that the Heritage Advisory Committee recommend approval of the application , as proposed in the staff report dated March 7, 2005, for the registration of 5660 Fenwick Street as a registered heritage property . MOTION PUT AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

4.2 H00162 -Application for Proposed Alterations (dormer windows at 5532 Hennessey Place

C A staff report dated March 17, 2005, was before the Committee for its consideration.

Ms. Maggie Holm reviewed the proposed changes as presented in the report to the Committee.

MOVED by Mr. Clarence Butler, seconded by Mr. Paul MacKinnon, that the Heritage Advisory Committee approve the alterations to 5532 Hennessey Place, as proposed in the staff report dated March 17, 2005. MOTION PUT AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

4.3 H00164 - Application for Alterations (new entrance door) at 1855 Barrington Street Granville Mall

C A staff report dated March 18, 2005, was before the Committee for its consideration.

Ms. Maggie Holm reviewed the proposed changes as presented in the report to the Committee.

It was noted that the Applicant agreed to proposed changes recommended by staff as per attachment C.

MOVED by Mr. Clarence Butler, seconded by Mr. Bill Mont, that the Heritage Advisory Committee approve the alterations to 1855 Barrington Street, as proposed in the staff report dated March 18, 2005. MOTION PUT AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

4.4 Heritage Incentive Grant Applications

C A staff report dated March 16, 2005, was before the Committee for its consideration.

Ms. Maggie Holm reviewed recommendations as presented in the report to the Committee.

MOVED by Councillor Sloane, seconded by Mr. Clarence Butler, that the Heritage Advisory Committee approve Application # 108 at 50% of cost up to \$5000 with paid receipts. MOTION PUT AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

MOVED by Councillor Sloane, seconded by Mr. Bill Mont, that the Heritage Advisory Committee approve Application # 109 at \$4,733.04. MOTION PUT AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

MOVED by Mr. Paul MacKinnon, seconded by Mr. Bill Mont, that the Heritage Advisory Committee approve Application # 110 at \$2,306.10. MOTION PUT AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

MOVED by Mr. Clarence Butler, seconded by Councillor Sloane, that the Heritage Advisory Committee approve Application # 111 at 50% of cost up to \$5,000 with paid receipts. **MOTION PUT AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.**

MOVED by Councillor Sloane, seconded by Mr. Clarence Butler, that the Heritage Advisory Committee provide support for Application #112 at 50% of cost up to \$5,000 with paid receipts. **MOTION PUT AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY. MOTION PUT AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.**

5. **UPDATES:** NONE

6. **INFORMATION ITEMS**

6.1 **Approval Letters**

Various approval letters were provided to the Committee for its information.

- . A letter from Parks Canada dated March 23, 2005 in regards to the Halifax Defence Complex Management Plan Review was circulated to Committee Members.

Ms. Maggie Holm and Mr. Clarence Butler indicated that they would attend the information session and provide an update to the Committee.

6.2 **Extracts from Regional/Community Council Minutes** - NONE

7. **ADDED ITEMS** - NONE

Mr. Bill Mont suggested that the Committee investigate a reduction in taxes to Heritage Property Owners rather than provide a grant. Councillor Sloane and Ms. Maggie Holm commented that staff has investigated this idea. Councillor Sloane commented that the tax formula is complicated and this suggestion has been made in the past and was met with a negative response.

Mr. Bill Mont raised concern over the current comments about the Committee in the newspaper, as it gives a negative impression to public. Following a brief discussion it was agreed that the Committee would not comment on this issue.

8. **ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 4:03 pm.

Stephanie Parsons
Legislative Assistant