

HERITAGE ADVISORY COMMITTEE
December 13, 2006

MINUTES

PRESENT: Mr. Tom Creighton, Chair
Mr. Alain Bougeois
Mr. Clarence Butler
Mr. Michael Cross
Mr. Stephen Terauds
Mr. Paul Shakoto
Ms. Andrea Arbic
Councillor Robert Harvey

ABSENT: Councillor Dawn Sloane (regrets)
Mr. Mark Pothier
Ms. Lisa Miller
Ms. Diane Marshall
Mr. Elias Metlej

STAFF AND

OTHERS: Ms. Randa Wheaton, Planner II
Ms. Sheilagh Edmonds, Legislative Assistant

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1. CALL TO ORDER

The Chair called the meeting to order at 3:04 p.m. in Halifax Hall, City Hall. He noted that Ms. Maggie Holm was unable to be at today's meeting, and Ms. Randa Wheaton was attending in her place.

The Chair suggested that, in keeping with past practice, the Election of Chair and Vice Chair be deferred to January's meeting, to which it was agreed.

At the request of the Chair, the new Committee members—Michael Cross, Alain Bougeois, and Stephen Terauds—provided a brief update of their background and interest in heritage issues.

2. ELECTION OF CHAIR AND VICE-CHAIR

It was agreed that this matter would be deferred to the January 24, 2006 meeting.

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES - None

4. APPROVAL OF THE ORDER OF BUSINESS AND APPROVAL OF ADDITIONS AND DELETIONS

The agenda was accepted as presented, with no additions or deletions.

5. BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES:

5.1 Greenvale School Update - Maggie Holm (oral)

The Chair indicated that this matter would be deferred to the next meeting, at which time Ms. Holm would be able to provide an update.

5.2 Barrington Street Heritage District Revitalization Plan - Bill Plaskett (oral)

A letter dated November 30, 2006 from Russell Jarvis, Chairman, Barrington Street Historic District was submitted.

The Chair advised that, at the last meeting, the Committee requested a report from staff on this matter. Noting that Mr. Plaskett was unable to attend today's meeting, the Chair added that Mr. Plaskett sent him an e-mail this afternoon which states that, although a few technicalities needed to be worked out, staff expect this will be able to be included in the 2007 budget.

6. DEFERRED ITEMS - None

7. CORRESPONDENCE, PETITIONS & DELEGATIONS

7.1 Correspondence - None

7.2 Petitions - None

7.3 Presentations - None

7.4 Updates from HAC members - HRM Committees and HAC Sub-committees:

7.4.1 Appointment of HAC representative to the Urban Design Task Force

The Chair advised that Mr. Butler is no longer able continue as the representative on the Urban Design Task Force, due to increased demands on his time. The Chair asked if there was anyone else who wanted to sit on the Task Force as the Committee's representative.

Mr. Terauds volunteered to be the Committee's representative. The Chair thanked Mr. Terauds and noted that Mr. Butler would provide him his information on the Urban Design Task Force. The Chair also asked the Legislative Assistant to follow-up and notify appropriate staff in regard to the change in representation.

8. REPORTS:

8.1 H00194: Request for approval of alterations to 782 East Chezzetcook Road, East Chezzetcook

A staff report dated November 21, 2006 was submitted.

Ms. Randa Wheaton, Planner II, outlined the application by Ms. Francesca Rogier for approval for substantial alterations to a municipally registered heritage property at 782 East Chezzetcook Road, East Chezzetcook. In her remarks, Ms. Wheaton explained that as part of a restoration project, the applicant is proposing to repair the deteriorating foundation walls under the addition to the house; and to create a two-car garage, which involves excavating under the building and under an existing deck. She added that his will involve substantial digging, and the removal of the existing retaining wall and replacement with concrete clad in natural field stone from the area. Mr. Wheaton pointed out that the project will also change the existing driveway from the front of the building to the side, and it will be partially hidden. This will provide a better view of the heritage house.

Ms. Wheaton responded to questions.

MOVED by Mr. Butler, seconded by Mr. Shakotko that the Heritage Advisory Committee recommend approval of the alterations to 782 East Chezzetcook Road as proposed in the November 21, 2006 staff report. MOTION PUT AND PASSED.

9. ADDED ITEMS - None

10. DATE OF NEXT MEETING -Wednesday, January 24, 2007.

11. ADJOURNMENT

Prior to adjourning, the Chair noted that Mr. Paul MacKinnon was not re-appointed to the Committee. He questioned this as it was his understanding that there was a position on the Committee specifically for a representative from the Downtown B.I.D.C. The Chair requested that the Legislative Assistant follow up and get clarification on this aspect.

On a motion **MOVED by Mr. Butler, seconded by Councillor Harvey**, the meeting adjourned at 3:22 p.m.

Sheilagh Edmonds
Legislative Assistant