
Halifax Regional Council

December 17, 2002

January 21, 2003

TO: Mayor Kelly and Members of Halifax Regional Council

SUBMITTED BY: P. Halliday
for Allan MacLellan, Chair, Heritage Advisory Committee
Regional Heritage Advisory Committee

DATE: December 11, 2002

SUBJECT: **Case H00061 - Application for registration of the Musquodoboit
Railway Museum**

ORIGIN

By motion of the Heritage Advisory Committee on March 27, 2002

RECOMMENDATION

The Heritage Advisory Committee **recommends** to Regional Council that 7895 Highway No. 7, Musquodoboit Harbour, be registered under the HRM Heritage Property Program, as outlined in the staff report dated March 6, 2002, and that the date of January 21, 2003 be set for a heritage hearing to consider this application.

BACKGROUND

See attached staff report dated November 27, 2002

DISCUSSION

See attached draft Heritage Advisory Committee November 27, 2002 minute extract.

ATTACHMENTS

- 1) Staff report to the Heritage Advisory Committee dated October 31, 2002
- 2) Extract from draft November 27, 2002 Heritage Advisory Committee minutes

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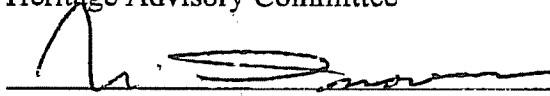
Report Prepared by: Patti Halliday, Assistant Municipal Clerk

Report Approved by: Allan MacLellan, Chair, Heritage Advisory Committee

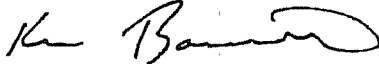
Heritage Advisory Committee
November 27, 2002

TO: Heritage Advisory Committee

SUBMITTED BY:



Jim Donovan, Manager, Planning Applications



Kevin Barrett, Heritage Planner

DATE: October 31, 2002

SUBJECT: **Heritage Case H00061 - Application to consider the Railway Museum
in Musquodoboit Harbour as a Registered Heritage Property.**

SUPPLEMENTARY REPORT

ORIGIN:

By motion of the Heritage Advisory Committee on March 27, 2002.

RECOMMENDATION:

It is recommended that the Heritage Advisory Committee should forward its motion made on March 27, 2002 to Regional Council which recommends that 7895 Highway No. 7, Musquodoboit Harbour, be registered under the HRM Heritage Property Program, as outlined in the staff report dated March 6, 2002.

BACKGROUND:

During the March 27, 2002 session of the Heritage Advisory Committee, staff were asked to investigate the ownership of the property, and if the property is Federally owned, explore the ability to have it municipally registered (see Attachment 1).

It was found that the lands associated with the Railway Museum are owned by the Province of Nova Scotia, and the Railway Museum building is owned by the Musquodoboit Harbour Heritage Society. Both parties are in support of the registration. As such, once a date for the heritage hearing is set, both parties will be notified of the hearing.

BUDGET IMPLICATIONS:

None.

FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT POLICIES/BUSINESS PLAN:

This report complies with the Municipality's Multi-Year Financial Strategy, the approved Operating, Capital and Reserve budgets, policies and procedures regarding withdrawals from the utilization of Capital and Operating reserves, as well as any relevant legislation.

ALTERNATIVES:

There are no alternatives to be considered for Heritage Registrations.

ATTACHMENTS:

Attachment 1 Minutes - Heritage Advisory Committee, March 27, 2002.

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3.2 Case H00061 - Application to Register Railway Museum, Musquodoboit Harbour

- A staff report prepared for Austin French, Regional Coordinator, Planning and Development Services, regarding the above, was before the Committee for its consideration.

Ms. Alfreda Withrow, Research Consultant, presented the research report to the Committee.

Mr. MacLeod raised the issue of federal jurisdiction for this property and suggested this should be clarified before municipal heritage registration is pursued. Councillor Uteck suggested the Committee could proceed with the evaluation at this time, and this could be clarified before the Committee's recommendation is forwarded to Council.

The Committee then proceeded to evaluate the property.

1. Age

The station was constructed in approximately 1918 and was scored **5 points** for Age.

2. Relationship to Important Occasions, Institutions, Personages

It was the general consensus of the Committee that the building had local importance, and **20 points** were allocated.

3. Relationship to Surrounding Area

It was the general consensus of the Committee that the building had an excellent relationship to the surrounding area and was a definite asset to surrounding buildings and area. Therefore, **10 points** were allocated.

4. Aesthetic/Architectural Merit

It was the general consensus of the Committee that the building was the only or rare example of a particular architectural type in the former Halifax County, as there are only two in existence. Therefore, **20 points** were allocated.

It was also agreed that **5 points** should be allocated for the original facade.

5. Quality of Architectural Type

It was the general consensus of the Committee that the building was an excellent

example of architectural type, and awarded it 20 points.

The Total Score was 80 points, and the following motion was put on the floor:

**MOVED by Deborah Grant, seconded by Councillor Meade, that the Heritage Advisory Committee recommend to Council that the Railway Museum, Musquodoboit Harbour, be registered as a heritage property under the HRM Heritage Property Program, pending clarification of any federal relevance.
MOTION PUT AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.**

**EXTRACT FROM DRAFT NOVEMBER 27, 2002 HERITAGE ADVISORY
COMMITTEE MINUTES:**

**3.1 Case H00061 - Application for registration of the Musquodoboit Railway
Museum**

- A staff report prepared for Jim Donovan, Manager, Planning Applications, regarding the above, was before the Committee for its consideration.

With the use of WP Presentations, Mr. Barrett presented the report to the Committee. He noted that the previous recommendation made by the Committee on March 27, 2002, was pending clarification of the ownership of the property. Mr. Barrett advised the Committee that staff have investigated this issue, and the lands associated with the Railway Museum are owned by the Province of Nova Scotia, and the building is owned by the Musquodoboit Harbour Heritage Society. Based on this, he suggested the Committee now forward its March 27, 2002 motion to Regional Council.

MOVED by Councillor Uteck, seconded by Andrea Arbic, that the Heritage Advisory Committee forward its motion made on March 27, 2002, to Regional Council, which recommended that 7895 Highway No. 7, Musquodoboit Harbour, be registered under the HRM Heritage Property Program, as outlined in the staff report dated March 6, 2002. MOTION PUT AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.