

## HISTORIC SITES COMMITTEE

April 1, 2015

A meeting of the Historic Sites Committee was held in the Admin Room, Central Library at 4:15 p.m. with the following present:

Members: Jonathan Vance (Chair), Gina Barber, Hilary Bates Neary, Maridon Duncanson, Ellen Hobin, Jason Jordan, Gloria Leckie, Arthur McClelland and Mike Murphy.

Guests: Jim Cushing;

Apologies: Sarah Gibson, Anne McKillop

### HS15/08 APPROVAL OF MINUTES

It was MOVED by Mr. Murphy and seconded by Ms. Duncanson that the amended minutes of the February 4, 2015 (HS14/01- HS14/07) meeting be approved.

CARRIED

### BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES - none

### HS15/09 NEW AND CONTINUING BUSINESS

#### The Coves ESA (Environmentally Significant Area)

Mr. Vance introduced Mr. Jim Cushing from The Coves ESA Implementation Committee who asked if anyone has any information on two sites where historical interpretive signs are to be installed this summer. The two sites are: Jeffrey Estate and Ice Houses.

Ms. Bates Neary suggested the assessment rolls housed at Western's archives might be useful. Historic Sites Committee members will contact Mr. Cushing if they have any additional information.

### HS15/09.1 Oil industry/All Saints Church

Mr. Vance has provided Reverend Little at the All Saints Church with a copy of the approved text and he has advised that the Church would be delighted to fund the plaque and will speak to the Parish Council at a future meeting. Mr. Fitzgerald has also been in touch with Mr. McClelland about having his great-grandfather's name included in the plaque text. Mr. Vance will continue to provide information to the Committee as it becomes available.

HS15/09.2 John Herbert Chapman

The John Herbert Chapman Plaque unveiling will be held on Monday, April 13<sup>th</sup> at Western University from 2-4 p.m in the Physics and Astronomy Building Atrium. Mr. Vance will be speaking at 3:10 p.m.

HS15/09.3 Noble & Wolf v. Alley Plaque Unveiling

Parks Canada will unveil the Noble & Wolf v. Alley plaque on April 14<sup>th</sup> at 10:00 a.m. in the Wolf Performance Hall. Reception to follow in the Crush Space. The plaque will be installed at the Courthouse. The invitation from Parks Canada will follow shortly. The Wolf family is expected to be in attendance.

HS15/09.4 Financial Report

There was discussion regarding the possibility of future funding for HSC plaques from London Hydro.

Mr. Vance will draft up a set of principles to be included with the plaque agreement letter for the June meeting.

Mr. Vance will also prepare a draft funding proposal for the June meeting.

HS15/09.5 Procedures Manual

The Procedure Manual for development and installation of Historic Plaques has now been finalized.

HS15/10 PLAQUE SUGGESTIONS

Lt. Colonel Edwin Seaborn

Mr. Vance is waiting to hear back regarding the funding of the plaque. The plaque is to be located somewhere on the lot beside the Bell Canada building. The centenary of the Unit is in 2016. Mr. McClelland will find the exact date.

Mr. McClelland will draft a text for the June meeting.

HS15/10.1 First LPL Branch (Carson) on the occasion of its 100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary

Ms. Hobin has contacted the Aeolian Hall but is still waiting to hear if they would like the plaque placed on the building or not. An alternate choice would be the present Carson Branch Library. Mr. McClelland continues to look for a photo of the Aeolian Hall from that time period.

HS15/10.2 Hunt Dam

Mr. Vance has contacted Jay Hunt and provided an update on the possibility of a Hunt Dam plaque. Mr. Menard and Kyle Gonyou continue to work on this.

HS15/10.3 Roundhouse

No report.

HS15/10.4 Nature London

Mr. McClelland provided further information on the Nature London plaque. The plaque is to be placed outside near the Civic Garden Complex. Nature London's 150<sup>th</sup> anniversary is in 2015.

Ms. Maridon will draft a text for the June meeting.

HS15/10.5 African Methodist Episcopal Church

Mr. McClelland provided an update on the missing plaque. Committee members discussed a possible plaque to commemorate this church as well as Beth Emmanuel at 430 Grey Street.

Mr. Vance has sent a note to the Church's Minister, Delta McNeish.

HS15/10.6 Norton Attawandaron Village

Mr. Vance received a communication from Councillor Turner who had received a query from a constituent about the whereabouts of the plaque. The plaque has been missing for quite some time and was a joint venture with the City of London.

Ms. Bates Neary will look for additional information on this plaque and whether there is a replica stored in the London Room.

HS15/11 LACH REPORTS

**February 2015**

Items of Interest:

LACH Terms of Reference

Resignation of John Lutman from LACH

Statement of Cultural Heritage Value:

1266 Riverside Drive (The Cedars)

**March 2015**

Heritage Alteration Applications:

387 Clarence Street (Bud Gowan's Antiques)

878 Hellmuth Avenue  
Items of Interest:  
Possible Additions to Inventory of Heritage Resources  
South Street Hospital Lands Chronology, 2010 to 2015

HS15/12 OTHER BUSINESS

Kingsmill's

Laurie Kingsmill did a presentation on the Kingsmill family on March 30<sup>th</sup>, 2015 at the Central Library.

St. George/Grosvenor Street Area

Mark Tovey will speak about the research he has done on creating a heritage conservation district in the St. George/Grosvenor Street area at the joint meeting of the London and Middlesex Historical Society and the London Region Branch of the Architectural Conservancy of Ontario at the Old Courthouse on Wednesday April 15th at 7:30 p.m.

HS15/13 MEETING DATES – 2015

June 3<sup>rd</sup>, October 7<sup>th</sup>, December 2<sup>nd</sup>

The meeting adjourned at 5:28 p.m.