



A meeting of the Heritage Advisory Committee for the Town of Mahone Bay was held on Wednesday, March 13, 2024 at 3:00 p.m. in Council Chambers.

Present:

Councillor Joseph Feeney
Councillor Penny Carver
Annette St. Onge
Bryan Palfreyman
Garry Macey (arrived at 3:25pm)
Deborah Trask, Heritage Researcher
Kelly Munroe, Town Clerk

Absent:

1. Approval of Agenda

A motion by Mr. Palfreyman, seconded Councillor Carver, "THAT the agenda be approved as amended to add item 7. Mahone Bay Nursing Home." Motion carried.

2. Minutes

A motion by Councillor Carver, seconded by Ms. St. Onge, "THAT the minutes of the February 14, 2024 meeting of the Heritage Advisory Committee be approved as presented." Motion carried.

3. Heritage Trust Presentation Update

Ms. Munroe updated the committee on discussions with Heritage Trust of Nova Scotia staff concerning hosting a presentation in Mahone Bay.

A motion by Councillor Carver, seconded by Mr. Palfreyman, "THAT the committee recommend that Council support the Heritage Advisory Committee hosting an educational event in May with a speaker from the Heritage Trust of Nova Scotia, to take place in the Community Room at the Fire Station, with associated costs to be drawn from the committees budget." Motion carried.

4. Potential Heritage Properties

The committee reviewed the updated spreadsheet of potential Heritage Properties.

A motion by Councillor Carver, seconded by Mr. Macey, "THAT the committee recommend that Council direct staff to offer an opportunity to the owners of 624 Main

Street and 38 School Street to complete the Heritage Property Registration process. If the property owners decline, staff be directed to remove the heritage property plaques from the buildings.” Motion carried.

5. Updated FAQ Sheet Review

The committee reviewed a draft, updated Heritage Property FAQ sheet. The committee will complete the review at their next meeting.

6. Changes to Land Use Bylaw – Architectural Control

The committee reviewed a memo from Development Officer, Heather Archibald, on changes to Architectural Control in the new Land Use Bylaw.

7. Potential Demolition of Mahone Bay Nursing Home

Mr. Palfreyman discussed the potential demolition of the Mahone Bay Nursing Home, originally the Royal Hotel, that was discussed at Council’s March 12, 2024 meeting.

The Committee will score the building at their next meeting, to see if it meets criteria to be registered as a Municipal Heritage Property. Ms. Trask will provide some background information ahead of the meeting.

The meeting adjourned at 4:30 p.m. at the conclusion of business.

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Future Items for Discussion

Individualized heritage plaques (like in Town of Lunenburg)