

# MEETING MINUTES



MEETING **Heritage Guelph**

DATE April 13, 2015

LOCATION City Hall Meeting Room 112  
TIME 12:00 PM

PRESENT Daphne Wainman-Wood (Chair), Mary Tivy, Tony Berto, Bob Foster, Bill Green, Lynn Allingham, D’Arcy McGee, Uli Walle, Charles Nixon, Christopher Campbell, Michael Crawley, Stephen Robinson (Senior Heritage Planner), Michelle Mercier (Recording Secretary), Melissa Aldunate (Manager of Policy Planning and Urban Design)

REGRETS  
DELEGATIONS

## DISCUSSION ITEMS

ITEM #	DESCRIPTION
1	<p><b><u>Welcome and Opening Remarks</u></b></p> <p>Daphne Wainman-Wood welcomed everyone to the meeting.</p>
2	<p><b><u>Approval of Agenda</u></b></p> <p>Stephen Robinson requested the removal of Item 7.1 – 5 Arthur St S</p> <p><b>Moved by Bill Green and Seconded by Tony Berto,</b></p> <p><b>“THAT the Agenda for the April 13<sup>th</sup>, 2015 meeting of Heritage Guelph be approved as Amended.”</b></p> <p style="text-align: right;"><b>CARRIED</b></p>
3	<p><b><u>Heritage Guelph Membership Update</u></b></p> <p>Stephen Robinson advised that Council has approved the appointment of Lynn Allingham to Heritage Guelph and welcomed her to the committee.</p> <p>Stephen Robinson announced that Jessica Tivy has resigned from Heritage Guelph and that Council has decided not to replace the vacancy at this time.</p>

4	<p><b><u>Declaration of Pecuniary Interest</u></b></p> <p>none</p>
5	<p><b>Approval of Meeting Minutes from March 2, 2015 and March 9, 2015</b></p> <p>Moved by Tony Berto and seconded by Mary Tivy,</p> <p><b>“THAT the Minutes from the meeting of March 2, 2015 be approved.”</b></p> <p style="text-align: right;">CARRIED</p> <p>Moved by Charles Nixon and seconded by Christopher Campbell,</p> <p><b>“THAT the Minutes from the meeting of March 9, 2015 be approved.”</b></p> <p style="text-align: right;">CARRIED</p>
6	<p><b>Matters arising from the Minutes</b></p> <p><b>Item 6.1 Niska Road Bridge and Cultural Heritage Landscape</b></p> <p>Stephen Robinson advised that this item is a continuation of the deliberation from the March 9 meeting. Stephen reviewed the images and staff recommendation from the March meeting.</p> <p>Members continued deliberation over the staff recommendation.</p> <p>Committee members discussed the following items:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The propose cultural heritage landscape (chl) boundary and future development outside the boundary</li> <li>• Possibility of moving the Bailey Bridge to another location if it can’t remain on site</li> <li>• Importance of abutments remaining on site</li> <li>• Important heritage attributes including the (chl) boundary, view, crossing, former uses identified</li> <li>• Benefit of listing or designating - would not freeze development, just to guide development to conserve heritage attributes</li> <li>• Whether the cultural heritage landscape should be listed, designated or not at all</li> </ul> <p>Committee members requested that the clauses in the staff recommendation be voted on individually.</p> <p>Moved by Tony Berto and seconded by Bill Green,</p> <p><b>“THAT Heritage Guelph receive the report titled <i>“Cultural Heritage Evaluation Report with Photographic Documentation, Niska Road Bridge, Municipal Site No.00001 (Lot 12, Concessions 5 &amp; 6 Geographic Township of Puslinch), Class Environmental Assessment Study, Niska Road Improvements, City of Guelph, Ontario”</i> (Unterman &amp; McPhail Associates April 2014), and the report titled <i>“Niska Road Cultural Heritage Landscape Addendum”</i> (CHC Limited, February 5, 2015) as submitted to the City of Guelph for a Class Environmental Assessment (EA) investigating opportunities for improvements to Niska Road from the city limits to Downey Road.”</b></p>

CARRIED

Moved by Tony Berto and seconded by Christopher Campbell,

**“THAT Heritage Guelph supports the conclusions of both reports, specifically the identification of the current Niska Road bridge as a structure of local cultural heritage value and the identification of the defined area around the Niska Road crossing at the Speed River as a significant cultural heritage landscape”**

CARRIED

Moved by Tony Berto and seconded by Uli Walle,

**“THAT Heritage Guelph recommends from a cultural heritage conservation perspective, the ideal outcome of the environmental assessment process would involve the retention and conservation of the identified heritage attributes of the Niska Road bridge *in situ* and the portion of the cultural heritage landscape identified on Niska Road (between Pioneer Trail and the bridge) within the city limits.”**

CARRIED

Moved by Tony Berto and seconded by Michael Crawley,

**“THAT Heritage Guelph conditionally supports the preliminary preferred alternative for the Niska Road Environmental Assessment subject to the following conditions:**

Moved by Tony Berto and seconded by Christopher Campbell,

- “THAT should the bridge be approved for replacement that Heritage Guelph recommends that staff be directed to investigate practical options for the relocation of the superstructure of the Niska Road bridge to a suitable location within the city (or Puslinch Township/Guelph Eramosa) for rehabilitation as a pedestrian/cycling bridge; and”

CARRIED

Moved by Tony Berto and seconded by Mary Tivy,

- “THAT staff be directed to bring a report to Council recommending that the Niska Road cultural heritage landscape identified within the city limits be listed on the City of Guelph’s *Municipal Register of Cultural Heritage Properties* under Section 27 of the Ontario Heritage Act; and,”

CARRIED

Moved by Tony Berto and seconded by Christopher Campbell,

- “THAT Heritage Guelph recommends that the Niska Road cultural heritage landscape identified within the city limits within the CHC report, be designated under Section IV of the Ontario Heritage Act; and,”

CARRIED

Moved by Mary Tivy and seconded by Tony Berto,

- THAT Heritage Guelph recommends that the consultant team provides copies of the *Cultural Heritage Evaluation Report* and the *Niska Road Cultural Heritage Landscape Addendum* to the Township of Puslinch and the Township of Guelph/Eramosa; and that the City of Guelph provide Heritage Guelph minutes from March 9, 2015 and April 13, 2015.

CARRIED

Moved by Mary Tivy and seconded by Bill Green,

- “THAT the extant stone abutments of the bridge be retained and conserved *in situ* to stand as a monument to previous bridges and construction methods at this crossing; and,

CARRIED

Moved by Tony Berto and seconded by Bill Green,

- “THAT the City provide interpretive signage explaining the history of the Niska Road crossing and its associated cultural heritage landscape; and,

CARRIED

Moved by Tony Berto and seconded by Christopher Campbell,

- “THAT if development is considered on lands adjacent to the identified Niska Road cultural heritage landscape that the views west and south from the intersection of Niska Road and Pioneer Trail be considered carefully in order to conserve the heritage attributes of the identified cultural heritage landscape; and,”

CARRIED

Moved by Christopher Campbell and seconded by Tony Berto,

- “THAT when development is proposed on adjacent lands, the viewshed be studied to the north and east with consideration of its impact on the cultural heritage landscape.”

CARRIED

Moved by Tony Berto and seconded by Charles Nixon,

- “THAT Heritage Guelph is circulated the alternative design concepts for the preferred solution and be provided the opportunity to review and assess potential impacts of the proposed improvements and recommended mitigation plans on the cultural heritage landscape; and,”

CARRIED

Moved by Tony Berto and seconded by Charles Nixon,

- “THAT the replacement bridge be designed in such a way that is compatible with the cultural heritage landscape and with the current views from the bridge (upstream and downstream)

not impeded for vehicular, bicycle or pedestrian traffic; and, “

CARRIED

Moved by D’Arcy McGee and seconded by Christopher Campbell,

- “THAT the City’s EA study team return to update Heritage Guelph and provide opportunities for further input regarding the environmental assessment following the EA’s second Public Information Centre and prior to the filing of the EA document.

CARRIED

Moved by Tony Berto and seconded by Michael Crawley,

**“THAT Heritage Guelph conditionally supports the preliminary preferred alternative for the Niska Road Environmental Assessment subject to the following conditions:**

- **THAT should the bridge be approved for replacement that Heritage Guelph recommends that staff be directed to investigate practical options for the relocation of the superstructure of the Niska Road bridge to a suitable location within the city (or Puslinch Township/Guelph Eramosa) for rehabilitation as a pedestrian/cycling bridge; and**
- **THAT staff be directed to bring a report to Council recommending that the Niska Road cultural heritage landscape identified within the city limits be listed on the City of Guelph’s *Municipal Register of Cultural Heritage Properties* under Section 27 of the Ontario Heritage Act; and,**
- **THAT Heritage Guelph recommends that the Niska Road cultural heritage landscape identified within the city limits within the CHC report, be designated under Section IV of the Ontario Heritage Act; and,**
- **THAT Heritage Guelph recommends that the consultant team provides copies of the *Cultural Heritage Evaluation Report* and the *Niska Road Cultural Heritage Landscape Addendum* to the Township of Puslinch and the Township of Guelph/Eramosa; and that the City of Guelph provide Heritage Guelph minutes from March 9, 2015 and April 13, 2015; and,**
- **THAT the extant stone abutments of the bridge be retained and conserved *in situ* to stand as a monument to previous bridges and construction methods at this crossing; and,**
- **THAT the City provide interpretive signage explaining the history of the Niska Road crossing and its associated cultural heritage landscape; and,**
- **THAT if development is considered on lands adjacent to the identified Niska Road cultural heritage landscape that the views west and south from the intersection of Niska Road and Pioneer Trail be considered carefully in order to conserve the**

	<p>heritage attributes of the identified cultural heritage landscape; and,</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>THAT</b> when development is proposed on adjacent lands, the viewshed be studied to the north and east with consideration of its impact on the cultural heritage landscape; and,</li> <li>• <b>THAT</b> Heritage Guelph is circulated the alternative design concepts for the preferred solution and be provided the opportunity to review and assess potential impacts of the proposed improvements and recommended mitigation plans on the cultural heritage landscape; and,</li> <li>• <b>THAT</b> the replacement bridge be designed in such a way that is compatible with the cultural heritage landscape and with the current views from the bridge (upstream and downstream) not impeded for vehicular, bicycle or pedestrian traffic; and,</li> <li>• <b>THAT</b> the City’s EA study team return to update Heritage Guelph and provide opportunities for further input regarding the environmental assessment following the EA’s second Public Information Centre and prior to the filing of the EA document.”</li> </ul> <p style="text-align: right;">CARRIED</p>
7	<p><b><u>New Business</u></b></p> <p><b>Item 7.1 ]</b>  <b>5 Arthur Street South</b></p> <p>– removed from the Agenda</p> <p><b>Item 7.2</b>  <b>15 Wyndham Street South</b></p> <p>Stephen Robinson advised that as part of the Site Plan Review Application SP14D011 to permit an addition to Guelph Police Headquarters, the proponent is also requesting that the building be removed from the Heritage Register. Stephen reviewed some photos and provided some background on the building. Stephen advised that the major renovations done in 1988 removed most of the original 1959 design and that there essentially no heritage attributes remaining. Stephen reviewed the designs for the proposed renovations and addition.</p> <p>Committee members deliberated over the proposal and the merits of keeping the building on the Heritage Register.</p> <p>Moved by Tony Berto and seconded by Bill Green,</p> <p><b>“THAT Heritage Planning staff are of the opinion that the current building at 15 Wyndham Street South has not retained enough of its original (1959) design integrity or original cultural heritage value to be considered a built heritage resource or to justify being listed on the Municipal Register of Cultural Heritage Properties, and</b></p>

	<p><b>THAT Heritage Guelph recommends that Council approve the proponent’s Heritage Review Application for the removal of the property at 15 Wyndham Street South from the Municipal Register of Cultural Heritage Properties.”</b></p> <p style="text-align: right;">CARRIED</p> <p>Moved by Tony Berto and seconded by D’Arcy McGee,</p> <p><b>“THAT Heritage Guelph extend the meeting until 2:15.”</b></p> <p style="text-align: right;">CARRIED</p> <p><b>Item 7.3</b> <b>24 Albert Street</b></p> <p>Stephen Robinson advised that the owner of 24 Albert Street has applied for a demolition permit to allow for the removal of a non-listed wooden shed building on the property. Stephen advised that the house is listed on the Heritage Register however the shed is not listed as a heritage attribute. Stephen reviewed the photos from a recent site visit and noted that the shed was put together with wood from different uses and has no real heritage value.</p>
8	<p><b><u>Information Items</u></b></p> <p>Item 8.1 Letter to Heritage Guelph from Frank Valeriote, M.P. (Apr 1, 2015)  Item 8.2 Heritage Planning Staff Report to Council Planning (May 11)  Item 8.3 40 Margaret St – Recommending intention to designate  Item 8.4 CHO Newsletter – Spring Edition (digital version)  Item 8.5 CHO/ACO Conference – Niagara-on-the-Lake (Apr 30 - May 3, 2015)  Item 8.6 Heritage Canada National Conference - Hamilton (Fall 2017)</p>
9	<p><b><u>Next Meeting</u></b></p> <p>HG Designation Working Group – Monday, April 27, 2015 in Meeting Room B  Regular Meeting – Monday, May 11, 2015 in City Hall Meeting Room B</p>
9	<p><b><u>Other Matters (introduced by Heritage Guelph Members)</u></b></p> <p>None</p>
10	<p><b><u>Adjournment</u></b></p> <p>Moved by Mary Tivy and seconded by Christopher Campbell,</p> <p><b>“THAT the meeting be adjourned at 2:15 pm.”</b></p>