

**Heritage Advisory Committee
Mahone Bay**

MINUTES

**Mahone Bay Fire Hall
February 14th, 2018**

Present: Councillors Joseph Feeney (chair), Penny Carver,
Michael O'Connor, Chris Berkeley, Dell Macomber
Advisor/Secretary: Deborah Trask

Call to Order the Chair called the meeting to order at 5:30 PM

1. Approval of agenda: item 6, financial incentives proposal was moved up on the agenda.
agreed by concensus

2. Approval of minutes of meeting held January 10th, 2018:
moved by Penny, seconded by Michael. *carried*

3. Business Arising –

a. Mayor's newsletter update –

The content and illustrations from the national website were printed and distributed in January

b. Selection of potential heritage properties to be encouraged to apply, and

c. review of outreach letter

postponed to March meeting.

4. New Business

a. Budget recommendation to Council

Because of Budget implications, this item was moved up on the agenda.
Penny read out the 2016 proposal to encourage financial incentives for registered heritage property owners.

MOTION: Moved by Michael, seconded by Dell, that the 2016 HAC proposal to set up an incentive fund, for registered heritage property owners to access, be approved in principal and recommended to Council for budget consideration. The proposal is that a fund be established for an annual expenditure not to exceed \$10,000.00 for repair or restoration work on the exterior facade of registered heritage properties in the town of Mahone Bay. Private owners of

such properties would be eligible to apply for a matching grant of 50% of pre-approved costs up to a total of \$2000.00 exclusive of HST.

motion carried.

b. South Shore Chapter of the NS Association of Architects

At this point, Gregory McNeil, President of the NSAA and Sharon Fogo of the South Shore chapter joined the meeting.

The Nova Scotia Association of Architects has formed a regional chapter on the South Shore, where there are 11 licensed architects. These are qualified professionals and could be available to provide public lectures on a mix of subjects, including heritage technologies. The NSAA promotes Architecture Week, the first week in October.

After some interesting discussion, an idea was floated about holding a one-day symposium on heritage architecture, to be held in October. Because Architecture Week would coincide with the Scarecrow Festival, a later date will be considered. The NSAA would help with promotion, social media, and will cover costs of their members' involvement. There was general support for this idea, and the HAC will discuss details at the March meeting, and meet again with the NSAA. If the plan goes ahead, HAC will extend an invitation to the NSCC Heritage Carpentry program to participate.

7. Date of next meeting: March 14th, 2018

8. Adjournment: The meeting was adjourned at 7:10 PM on a motion by Dell, seconded by Penny. *carried*

Joseph Feeney, Chair HAC

Deborah Trask, Recording Secretary