

A meeting of the Heritage Advisory Committee for the Town of Mahone Bay was held on Wednesday, June 10, 2020 at 4:00 p.m. via video conferencing.

Present:

Councillor Joseph Feeney, Chair Councillor Penny Carver Greg Matear Bill Degrace Deborah Trask, Heritage Researcher Dylan Heide, CAO Kelly Redden, Deputy Clerk

Absent:

Chris Berkeley (regrets)

1. Approval of Agenda

A motion by Councillor Carver, seconded by Mr. Matear, **"THAT the agenda be approved as presented."**Motion carried.

2. Minutes

A motion by Councillor Carver, seconded by Mr. Degrace, "THAT the minutes of the May 13, 2020 meeting be approved as presented."

Motion carried.

3. Grant Request – 97 Edgewater Street

A request was received from the owners of 97 Edgewater Street, a municipally registered heritage property, for a Heritage Property Grant in the amount of \$500 to help with repairs to the street facing exterior of their property.

A motion by Councillor Carver, seconded by Mr. Degrace, "THAT the Heritage Advisory Committee recommend that Council approve the Heritage Grant Application from the owners of 97 Edgewater Street."

Motion carried.

4. Discussion - Registration of Town properties

Councillor Carver spoke to the historical significance of the water garden. Mr. Heide suggested that there may be other, more appropriate, ways to protect the park from future development.

A motion by Mr. Degrace, seconded by Mr. Matear, "THAT the committee recommends that Council direct staff to explore options to protect the aquatic gardens from future development as well as the possibility of developing and installing interpretive heritage signage."

Motion carried.

The committee continued their discussion of the Town's Cenotaph. Ms. Trask and Ms. Redden presented the findings of their research, they were unable to find evidence of the reason the Cenotaph was placed in its current location.

CAO, Dylan Heide informed the committee that the monument was understood to be the property of the Town and certainly is installed on Town property, which would make the Town the owner from the perspective of the By-law.

5. Discussion - Registration of Town Hall

Councillor Carver explained that it was previously believed that Mahone Bay's Town Hall was registered as a municipal heritage property however it has since been determined that the final documentation was never filed with the Registry of Deeds, which means that the property was never officially registered.

Mr. Heide explained that there is a plan to make changes to the façade of the building in the coming weeks to accommodate for opening under Covid-19 restrictions.

Councillor Carver and Councillor Feeney will speak to this topic at the June 25th council meeting.

Continue discussion at future committee meeting.

The meeting adjourned by motion at 5:16 pm

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