

**Heritage Advisory Committee
Mahone Bay**

MINUTES

**Mahone Bay Fire Hall
March 9th, 2016**

Present: Dell Macomber, chair; Judy van Ryckevorsel
Councillors: Penny Carver, Kelly Wilson
Advisor/Secretary: Deborah Trask

Call to Order the Chair called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM

1. **Approval of agenda:** moved by Penny, seconded by Judy . *approved*
2. **Approval of minutes of meetings held February 10th, 2016:**
moved by Penny, seconded by Judy. *approved*

3. Business Arising –

a. Public Information Session

There was discussion on a range of ideas, but the most interesting seemed to centre on an illustrated presentation by this Committee, with possible assistance from the museum, on the existing registered properties, their history and reasons for designation. This could also be an opportunity to provide updated information on the provincial grant program, as well as insurance and realty issues. The presentation will probably be scheduled for September.

b. from the One Year Plan -

Dell contacted the owners of the two properties currently under discussion for registration. The owners of one are out of the province at the moment, and the other told her that a realtor had talked him out of it. Deborah will pass this along to the provincial Heritage Property unit.

Dell contacted the Mahone Bay Museum and they will form a committee to continue the discussion on fun ways to engage the public and feature heritage properties. She and Penny will meet with them in April.

4. Standing Agenda Items:

- a. encouragement for property owners

Kelly had an idea about investigating ways to provide tax incentives for new purchasers of old buildings if they invest in restoration and upgrades. Another possibility might be to expand the architectural control zone, both in size and strictures. Dell will ask Jim Wentzell to advise on the best approach to these ideas.

6. Correspondence: none

7. Date of next meeting: April 13th, 2016

8. Adjournment: motion to adjourn, Penny, seconded by Kelly. *carried*
the meeting was adjourned at 7:52 PM



Dell Macomber, Chair HAC



Deborah Trask, Recording Secretary