



## **Puslinch Heritage Committee**

### **Minutes of November 28, 2011**

The meeting was held at the Puslinch Township offices at 7:30 pm. Committee members present were Chair Lynn Crow, Secretary and Council representative -Township Deputy Clerk - Heather Krouskie, Doug Mast, Don Aubin, John Levak and Mary Tivy.

#### **Adoption of the Minutes**

**Motion No. 1:** Moved by Mary Tivy and seconded by Don Aubin.

**THAT:** The Heritage Committee Meeting Minutes dated March 28, 2011, be and are hereby adopted as presented.

**CARRIED.**

#### **BUSINESS ARISING:**

1. The Churches of Puslinch inventory was prepared and forwarded to the Ontario Heritage Trust.
2. There were write ups done on the Vimy Ridge farm buildings for the Guelph Spring Open Doors tour and published in the Guelph Mercury, the Guelph Tribune, and again recently in the Ontario Farmer (November 15, 2011)
3. Lynn gave a presentation "The Architectural Heritage of the Village of Morriston" at the September 21, 2011 meeting of the Guelph/Wellington branch of the ACO (Architectural Conservancy of Ontario) in response to their request for this topic.
4. Lynn advises that she will be giving a presentation to the Guelph Men's Club in February.

**COMMUNICATIONS:**

1. April 5, 2011 email from new owners of the Arkell blacksmith shop, Mark & Melanie Sohm, letting the P.H.C. know that they plan to remove the asphalt in front of the house & have the stone sandblasted to remove the white paint. **Lynn responded with approval as both would improve their heritage property.**
2. July 7, 2011 email from Brian Oickle of Ottawa asking about the former Ten Mile House art gallery in Puslinch – trying to trace a painting by Nova Scotia artist Howard Shankle. **Information was provided.**
3. July 15, 2011 telephone call from the Suttons requesting that the Chair meet with James and Carol Calfass, descendants of the Calfass family visiting from the U.S. Lynn showed them PHC's heritage inventory.
4. On August 5, 2011 Lynn received a request from Crossroads Church after members saw the Canada Day exhibit. They asked that she provide the presentation prepared for Council at their hall in September (this was later cancelled).
5. August 8, 2011 email from Marjorie Clark with photos regarding the Wm. Charles Laing stone farmhouse (no longer standing) built in 1913 on lots 19 & 20, concession 10 located at 7764 Wellington Rd. #34.  
**The Chief Building Official confirmed that a demolition permit issued in March of 2005. The owner, Mr. Kriszan then built a small one-storey building at the same location.**
6. October 2011 Lynn received a phone call from Leah (705-328-0875) regarding an abandoned house at 4077 Hwy #6 (corner of Leslie Road on East side of Hwy #6). She had found it on a website

“Ontario Ghost Towns & Abandoned Places”. The office staff looked it up (Pt Lot 36, Front Concession 8). The 1910 house is empty but privately owned.

7. Notified of recent zoning changes by Township:
  - a) Lot 8, Rear Concession 2 Holm's pit back into agricultural land;  
and
  - b) Lot 6, Rear Concession 2 McMaster's bank barn to be used for a dog kennel.

**No objections registered were registered to either application.**

**ACTION:**

1. Set 2012 budget. Committee members were asked to hand in their expense sheets for year end. The Committee was received an invoice from Fred Mahnke for 4 plaques (3 new and 1 replacement). Each plaque was \$70. **We will investigate an on-line presence for the committee going forward.**
2. Discuss possible designation of properties from 2011 summer tour and also SS #5 as renovations are now complete. Circulate inventory sheets for:
  - Stein log house – To receive a Plaque in 2012.
  - Morrison Hotel – To receive a Plaque in 2012.
  - Clarence/Winston McDonald house (now Fegan 5-04800) – need to verify age and need more information (1914 as per tax roll) Neighbouring house belongs to Watson 5-04700)
  - Clark/Wes Winer/Stan Winer farm (now Lourenco) – No plaque but will be recorded in Book 3.
  - Ingram/Owens house & photo of trim on former Huether's store – No plaque but will be recorded in book 3.
  - Committee to look at 6990 Wellington Rd. #34 (roll 2-10801 Richardson/Demerchant) as homework to vote on plaquing

in spring. Prinsys says house and shed built in 1860 with garage added in 1975.

3. Lynn provided a skeleton outline of the inventory 4" X 6" write-ups format. These are to be used as a guide by committee members when researching properties for the P.H.C. binders.
  - Family when built, architectural detail, date of construction or circa, note changes added, owners when built and owners when plaqued/recorded.
  - Owner gets copy with notation of source.
  - 3 copy sheets – Owner, PHS, Puslinch Library and email to Karen Wagner at Wellington County Museum.
  - Plaquing letters will go out in spring of 2012 after spring meeting.
  - Should we have an information session for site owners?

4. **Winter Assignments:**

Doug Mast – stone house north of 1911 brick houses on front of Morlock farm & Fahrner house (Laverne Clark)

Don Aubin – Och's house (board & batten cottage on South side of Badenoch Street) & Corie Fisher's log section.

John Levak – prepare write up to accompany the Laing house photograph, using email from Marjorie Clark.

Mary Tivy – small regency cottage on SE corner of Badenoch and Main Streets in Morriston, labeled *Fred Mast's house* on Mildred Clark's CD in PHS (need land records search and also search for dates of ownership of Ingram/King/Owens house in Aberfoyle preceding those families).

Chair Lynn Crow – Additions, inventory book 3 (no longer standing, do not meet criteria, in disrepair etc.)

**SLIDE SLOW:**

Lynn showed the “Morrison” presentation.

**Next Meeting.**

- Tuesday, April 17, 2012

Don Aubin moved to adjourn the meeting at 10:30 pm.

Submitted \_\_\_\_\_

Approved: \_\_\_\_\_