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September 9, 2024

RE: Resolution No. 2024-236 regarding the Written Delegation by Marjorie Clark

Please be advised that Township of Puslinch Council, at its meeting held on July 10, 2024 considered the aforementioned topic and subsequent to discussion, the following was resolved:

Resolution No. 2024-236:

Moved by Councillor Hurst and
Seconded by Councillor Goyda

That Council receives the written Delegation by Marjorie Clark regarding the Killean School Bell for information; and

That the written delegation be referred to the Heritage Advisory Committee for recommendation and report back to Council.

CARRIED

As per the above resolution, please accept a copy of this correspondence for your information and consideration.

Sincerely,

Justine Brotherston
Municipal Clerk

June 25th, 2024.



**To: Mayor James Seeley
Councillor Sara Bailey
Councillor Jessica Goyda
Councillor Russell Hurst
Councillor John Sepulis,
County Councillor Matthew Bulmer**

From: Marjorie Clark

Re: Killean School bell

Mayor Seeley & Councillors:

Puslinch became a township in 1850. When constituted, it amalgamated twelve communities or school sections, as they were called, within its borders. In 2025, the township will celebrate its 175th anniversary. Would Council consider the Killean school bell as the centrepiece of a commemorative cairn, to mark our roots for this occasion?

Prior to the pandemic, the Puslinch Historical Society endeavoured to launch this project but soon found that the Society lacked manpower, knowledge, and expertise and sufficient funds to accomplish the job. The group was forced to abandon the plan. Therefore, I am writing as a private citizen to ask if Council would consider this undertaking.

The Killean bell is currently stored on the property of Kevin Whitcombe, who would be pleased to donate it. It may require some alteration. What I envision is a stone cairn similar to that erected in the Historic Corner Block in Morrison. Although a plaque should identify the bell as from Killean School, it ought to state that it symbolizes all 12 of

the school sections (communities), which formed Puslinch Township in 1850. For confirmation of these facts, please consult Annals of Puslinch 1850-1950.

Perhaps an appropriate spot to place the cairn would be on the Community Centre Grounds, maybe on the east side of the library?

Through all of these 175 years, Puslinch has been a wonderful place to live and to grow. We should take every opportunity to celebrate our successes, particularly in this turbulent era. 175 years of life in Puslinch Township truly merits celebration.

Would you, Mayor Seeley and you, Councillors, favour this project to commemorate the township's 175th anniversary?

**Sincerely yours,
Marjorie Clark**

cc. Courtenay Hoytfox, Acting CAO