



Heritage Whitby Advisory Committee Minutes

February 11, 2025, 7:00 p.m.
Hybrid Meeting
Whitby Town Hall

Present: Deanna Hollister, Chair
Lisa Johnson
Richard Klingler
Don Mitchell
Vincent Santamaura
Terry Standish

Regrets: Margaret Clayton
Rick McDonnell
Paul Rolland, Vice-Chair
Brian Winter, Honourary Member

Also Present: Councillor Yamada, Mayor's Designate
Edward Belsey, Senior Manager, Policy and Heritage Planning
David Johnson, Staff Liaison, Planner II, Heritage
Heather Ellis, Council and Committee Coordinator (Recording Secretary)

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1. Call to Order
 2. Declarations of Conflict of Interest

There were no declarations of conflict of interest.

3. Approval of Previous Minutes

Recommendation:

Moved by Terry Standish

That the Heritage Whitby Advisory Committee minutes of January 14, 2025 be approved.

Carried

4. Presentations

4.1 Patrick Brennan, Designer, Brumley Construction

Re: 700 Byron Street South, Heritage Permit Application (HP-01-25),
Proposed Addition/Garage fronting onto Trent Street West

Patrick Brennan provided a presentation regarding the Heritage Permit Application for 700 Byron Street South. Highlights of the presentation included:

- the condition of the existing addition;
- details about the proposed addition of a breezeway and garage; and,
- information about the external building materials and colour palette.

Discussion ensued regarding:

- the proximity of the addition to the adjoining property;
- a street view of the current structure;
- the dimensions of the garage compared to the dimensions of the original structure;
- the purpose of the loft over the proposed garage and whether it would be used as living space;
- the total lot coverage of the building and alignment with the Heritage Conservation District requirements; and,
- increasing the setback of the proposed garage to maintain sightlines of the original building from Trent Street.

Recommendation:

Moved by Vincent Santamaura

That the Heritage Whitby Advisory Committee supports the Heritage Permit Application (HP-01-25), Proposed Addition/Garage for 700 Byron Street South and that the applicant continue to consult with Staff on issues pertaining to the setback of the garage being behind the plane of the house.

Carried

5. Delegations

There were no delegations.

6. General Business and Reports

6.1 Heritage Whitby Advisory Committee 2024 Annual Report

David Johnson provided information regarding the Heritage Whitby Advisory Committee 2024 Annual Report which included:

- the number of heritage permit applications received and approved in 2024;
- retaining a Heritage Consultant for the Designations for Municipal Heritage Register Review pertaining to Bill 23;
- presentations to the Committee including the Brock Street Re-design Project, and the James Rowe House Restorations Project;
- the adaptive re-use of the Pump House;
- cultural heritage promotion at Town events including the August Farmers' Market and the Harvest Festival;
- ongoing projects and initiatives for 2025 including the Werden's Plan Neighbourhood Heritage Conservation District Plan and Brooklin Heritage Conservation District Plan reviews; and,
- upcoming initiatives including boundary reviews for the future Perry's Plan and Four Corners Heritage Conservation Districts.

Discussion ensued regarding:

- identifying additional properties for heritage designation;
- reviewing the Heritage Consultant's list of properties assessed for heritage designation, both those submitted to Council and those not advanced for consideration;
- reviewing the Heritage Register Subcommittee's list of properties identified to be included on the Heritage Register; and,

- preparing feedback about the Town's heritage conservation districts for the March 11, 2025 Heritage Whitby Advisory Committee meeting.

7. Council Update

Councillor Yamada provided an update regarding:

- a resolution by Council regarding a Rental Unit Renovation By-law and Renovation Licence Program;
- a resolution by Council regarding Combatting Antisemitism and Hate Motivated Criminal Acts which includes directing the Chief Administrative Officer to report on the possibility of establishing a protocol or policy to notify various human rights organizations when hate motivated criminal acts are identified by Town staff and to consult with Durham Region Police Services (DRPS); and,
- a resolution by Council supporting B'nai Brith's call to the Government of Canada to pass legislation banning the public display of Nazi symbols and iconography.

A question and answer period ensued regarding whether municipalities have the jurisdiction over rental property evictions.

8. Other Business

8.1 James Rowe House Update

Lisa Johnson provided an update regarding the James Rowe House Renovation project. Ms. Johnson advised that items within the James Rowe House were reproduction displays and photograph prints with no historical value. She stated that 91 large Rubbermaid totes filled with rubber ducks from the Great Little Duck Race fundraising event were recovered.

Ms. Johnson provided an overview of the restoration renovations underway and completed at the James Rowe House which included:

- installation of the shutters;
- replacement of broken lattice; and,
- installation of the front door and windows.

9. Next Meeting

Tuesday, March 11, 2025 - 7:00 p.m.

10. Adjournment

Recommendation:

Moved by Lisa Johnson

That the meeting adjourn.

Carried

The meeting adjourned at 7:55 p.m.