



City of
Peterborough

To: Members of the Arts, Culture & Heritage Advisory Committee

From: Erik Hanson, Heritage Resources Coordinator

Meeting Date: October 12, 2017

Subject: Report ACHAC17-051
October Heritage Preservation Office Report

Purpose

A report to advise the ACHAC on the monthly activities of the Heritage Preservation Office (HPO) for September, 2017.

Recommendation

That the Arts, Culture & Heritage Advisory Committee approve the recommendation outlined in Report ACHAC17-051, dated October 12, 2017 of the Heritage Resources Coordinator, as follows:

That the report with respect to the activities of the Heritage Preservation Office for September 2017 be received for information.

Budget and Financial Implications

There are no budgetary or financial implications associated with the recommendation.

Background

Truth and Reconciliation Workshop

Staff attended and an Exercise in Understanding hosted by Peterborough Public Health and facilitated by Niijkiwendidaa Anishnabekwag Services Circle as part of the process of truth and reconciliation with First Nations now being undertaken nationally.

Heritage Property Tax Relief Program

All of the annual inspections have now been completed for properties in the Heritage Property Tax Relief Program. A number of common concerns among many properties have become clear through the process of inspection. The most common is the difficulty in finding trades able to deal with heritage buildings. Among those trades are painters and masons. Several properties have not had required work completed in three successive years and will receive notice that they are being removed from the program if the work is not completed immediately.

Little Lake Cemetery Mapping Update

Jessica Bisson, a Fleming College Museum Conservation Program student intern, is working on a number of projects for the HPO including a feasibility study on digitizing city newspapers. Funding is available from the library to complete this project, and if it proves possible to do so, the city will undertake the digitization of much of the holdings of 19th-century newspapers.

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