

## **Cape Breton Regional Municipality**

Heritage Advisory Committee Meeting Minutes

May 16, 2024

4:32 p.m. at City Hall Council Chambers

### **Present**

Councillor Eldon MacDonald, Chair

Councillor Ken Tracey

Councillor Darren O'Quinn

Thomas Ashford, Citizen Appointee

Kyron Coombes, Citizen Appointee, Vice-Chair

Kaleb DeLeskie, Citizen Appointee

Allie MacInnis, Citizen Appointee (Arrived at 4:36 p.m.)

Saul MacNeil, Citizen Appointee

### **Staff**

Christa Dicks, Municipal Clerk

Karen Neville, Heritage Officer / Acting Director of Planning and Development

Peter Vandermeulen, Planner

Sharon MacSween, Senior Administrative Assistant

Kelly McDonald, Recording Secretary

### **Absent**

Susan MacNeil, Citizen Appointee (Regrets)

Spyro Trifos, Citizen Appointee (Regrets)

The following does not represent a word for word record of the proceedings of this meeting. The agenda, reports, supporting documents, information items circulated, and video (if available) are online at [www.cbrm.ns.ca](http://www.cbrm.ns.ca).

**Councillor Eldon MacDonald, Chair, called the meeting to order.**

**Land Acknowledgement**

**Roll Call**

**1. Approval of Agenda**

**Motion**

Moved by Councillor Tracey, seconded by Citizen Ashford, to approve the May 16, 2024, heritage advisory committee agenda as presented.

**Motion Carried**

**2. Approval of Minutes**

**Motion**

Moved by Councillor O’Quinn, seconded by Councillor Tracey, to approve the heritage advisory committee minutes of:

- October 12, 2023

**Motion Carried**

**3. Municipal Heritage Registration - 26 Archibald Ave., North Sydney (PID 15026644)**

Karen Neville, Heritage Officer, provided background information on the property. Heritage Officer Neville informed based on the scoring criteria of this property, it is recommended this property be registered as a Municipal Heritage Property. The following motion was then put forward:

**Motion**

Moved by Councillor O’Quinn, seconded by Councillor Tracey, to initiate the process for registering 26 Archibald Ave., North Sydney (PID 15026644) as a Municipal Heritage Property.

**Motion Carried**

**4. Municipal Heritage Registration - 54 Blowers St., North Sydney (PID 15029085)**

Heritage Officer Neville provided background information on the property and informed based on the scoring criteria of this property, it is not recommended this property be registered as a Municipal Heritage Property.

The following motion was then put forward:

**Motion**

Moved by Councillor Tracey, seconded by Councillor O’Quinn, to accept the recommendation of Karen Neville, Heritage Officer, to not initiate registering 54 Blowers St., North Sydney (PID 15029085), as a Municipal Heritage Property due to low scoring heritage value criteria.

**Motion Carried**

**5. Committee Agenda Requests**

**a) Change of Mandate**

Citizen MacInnis expressed interest in suggesting names to Nova Scotia Community College, Sydney waterfront location, to highlight the importance of naming aspects of the campus with heritage significance. Discussion took place regarding process to engage with NSCC to offer suggestions. The following motion was then put forward:

**Motion**

Moved by Councillor O’Quinn, seconded by Citizen Ashford, to prepare correspondence to send to the administration of NSCC Sydney Waterfront Campus to highlight the importance of naming aspects of the campus with heritage significance.

**Motion Carried**

**b) Green Plaque Program**

Kyron Coombes, Citizen / Vice-Chair, reviewed the committee agenda request included in the agenda package. Discussion took place regarding current CBRM green plaques, potential implementation of blue plaques, and QR codes. The following motion was then put forward:

**Motion**

Moved by Citizen Coombes, seconded by Citizen DeLeskie, to direct staff to explore additional QR code options to be included on the heritage green plaques.

**Motion Carried****c) Return of Excellence in Built Heritage Award**

Kyron Coombes, Citizen / Vice-Chair, reviewed the committee agenda request included in the agenda package. The following motion was then put forward:

**Motion**

Moved by Citizen Coombes, seconded by Citizen Ashford, to direct staff to develop a schedule for individuals to be nominated for the Return of Excellence in Built Heritage Award.

**Motion Carried****d) Interactive Heritage Map**

Kyron Coombes, Citizen / Vice-Chair, reviewed the committee agenda request included in the agenda package. Heritage Officer Neville informed that CBRM Community Development Coordinators are currently working on mapping projects. The committee agreed to wait for the final mapping projects from the Communications Department before making any suggestions regarding interactive heritage maps.

**e) Re-evaluation of Committee Scope**

Kyron Coombes, Citizen / Vice-Chair, reviewed the committee agenda request included in the agenda package. The following motion was then put forward:

**Motion**

Moved by Citizen Coombes, seconded by Citizen DeLeskie, to direct staff to explore options to implement a two-tiered heritage recognition program.

**Motion Carried**

**f) Request for Resources**

Kyron Coombes, Citizen / Vice-Chair, reviewed the committee agenda request included in the agenda package. Vice-Chair Coombes informed that prior conversations during the meeting has satisfied this request and the request for resources can be withdrawn.

**Meeting adjourned at 5:48 p.m.**

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**Councillor Eldon MacDonald**  
**Chair**

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**Christa Dicks**  
**Municipal Clerk**  
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