

Cape Breton Regional Municipality

Heritage Advisory Committee

AGENDA

**Monday, October 16th, 2017
4:00 p.m.**

**Council Chambers
2nd Floor, City Hall
320 Esplanade, Sydney, NS**

***Note Meeting Location Change**

Committee Members:

**Councillor Clarence Prince
Deputy Mayor Eldon MacDonald
Councillor Kendra Coombes
Eleanor Anderson, Citizen Appointee, Vice-Chair
Vanessa Childs-Rolls, Citizen Appointee, Chair
Neal MacDonald, Citizen Appointee
Spyro Trifos, Citizen Appointee**

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Roll Call

1. **Approval of Minutes:** May 29th, 2017 (previously distributed)
2. **Current Heritage Properties Registered in CBRM:** Vanessa Childs Rolls, Chair (See page 3)
3. **Excellence in Built Heritage Awards:** Rick McCready, Senior Planner/Heritage Officer (See page 20)
4. **Possible Workshop on Role of CBRM Heritage Advisory Committee:** Rick McCready, Senior Planner/Heritage Officer (See page 22)

Adjournment

CBRM HERITAGE COMMITTEE

(XXX)

CURRENT REGISTERED PROPERTIES

2017



HERITAGE DISTRICT

- district includes most of the original settlement of Sydney
- House range in age from 1780 to modern building
- district split down George street, from Along the Desbarres to the Esplanade, to Napean St, Up Napean to Charlotte, along Charlotte to Yorke, down Yorke back to George St.

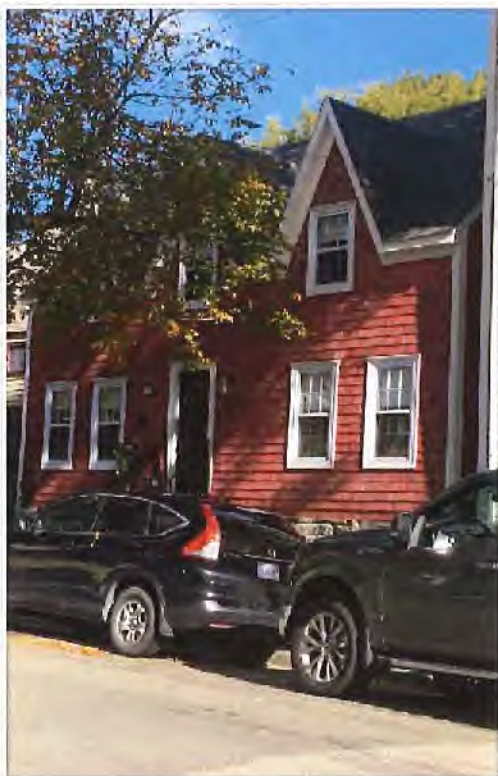


JOST HOUSE built 1786?

- significant changes since the original structure
- original use of the building was a house with a living quarters.
- eventually, the Jost family built the house behind it

Jost 1799-1853

***Municipal Registration Only
Also in Heritage Conservation District



LANDRY HOUSE 79 CHARLOTTE ST Built 1787?

- pointed dormers later addition
- ***Municipal Registration Only
- Also in Heritage Conservation District



PETER HOUSE 16 CAMPBELL ST

Age dates to early 1800's

-originally residence for Governor of Cape Breton
(Cape Breton ceased to be an independent colony
in 1819)

-Also served as Sydney Academy

-Current own enlarged windows during
renovations

***Municipal Registration Only

-Also in Heritage Conservation District



St. George's Church, ca 1930, 77-183-317, Bearon Institute, CBU

ST. GEORGE'S CHURCH

1785

-Royal Church

-Oldest Building in Sydney

-Built British 33rd regiment

-built with stone from the Fortress of Louisbourg

***Provincial and municipal registration



Sacred Heart Church, ca 1886, 87-663-17193, Beaton Institute, CBU

SACRED HEART CHURCH

Built 1888

-Rebuilt after a fire

-Short tower struck by lightning, not rebuilt

***Municipal Registration Only



BANK OF MONTREAL

Built 1901

-sandstone with copper roof

-built by Sir Andrew Taylor of Taylor and Gordon

***Municipal designation only





Highland Arts Theatre

St. Andrew's United Church

Built 1970

- constructed to seat 1000 people
- Curry and Sparling Architects, Toronto
- constructed by Rhodes and Curry
- uses red brick from the Mira
- features Cassavante Organ
- has functioning bell tower
- ***CBRM Registration only



Sydney Tennis Club, ca 1934, 16-94-30234, Beaton Institute, CBU

1 ANKERVILLE ST



ST. MICHAEL'S POLISH HALL

Built 1909
Polish Benevolent Society

-society to provide health insurance and support
to the Polish steelworkers

***Municipal Registration Only



GRAND NARROWS HOTEL

Built 1887

-tied to the Intercolonial Railway
owners Hector Francis MacDougall MP lobbied Sir John A.
MacDonald for extension of the Intercolonial Railway through Grand
Narrows

-rail completed after the hotel

-US Presidents, Roosevelt, Cleveland and Taft, Sir John A. MacDonald,
Lord Stanley,

-Charles Tupper, Bell, Helen Keller

-King George V had lunch

***Municipal registration only



LITTLE RED SCHOOL HOUSE

6715 SEASIDE DR. DOMINION
built 1888

-Mitchell School 9 1/2
***Municipal registered only



192 MITCHEL AVE DOMINION

***Municipal Registration Only



LAKEVIEW HOUSE 7271 EAST BAY HIGHWAY

Built 1882

-residence and Inn

-Old Morrison Place, Old Stage Coach House

-Allan Morrison, Big Pond Merchant

-stage coast stop

***Municipal Registration Only



OLD TOWN HALL GLACE BAY

-built 1903

-Designed by architect George Edgar Hutchinson
from Chappel Bros.

-Designed to hold all services of town
-including court, jail etc.

***Municipal Registration Only



UNIA Hall

Universal Negro Improvement Association

-Built 1918

-Home of the UNIA Cultural Museum
-used a hotel for new immigrants who came to
the mines

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MITCHEL ISLAND UNION CHURCH POINT EDWARD

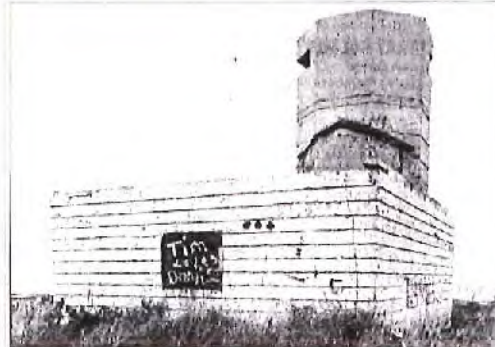
ca 1866

-open to any preacher of any denomination
-was a preaching station for the North Sydney Calvary
Baptist Church

-only seats 80 people

-named after the name of the island it stands on,
named for a sailor who washed ashore here and is
buried in the graveyard

****Municipal Registration Only



FORT PETRIE

- built 1939
- E.G.M Cape and Company
- vital in harbour defence in WWII
- Decommissioned 1956
- communication tower demolition 1968
- ***Municipal and Provincial Registration



ST. JOSEPH'S CHURCH

Gardiner Mines

- Parish to 1723
- Built in 1897 rebuilt twice due
- Currently for sale
- ***Municipal Registration Only



ST. PAUL'S RECTORY PORT MORIEN

-Built 1885
-currently a bed and breakfast
***Municipal registration only



S & L STATION AND FREIGHT SHED

BUILT 1895
-From the Sydney & Louisbourg Railway
access to ice free port for Dominion Coal
Company
-port was also where Newfoundland ferry landed
-station closed in 1968
***Provincial and Municipal registration



LEWIS HOUSE
7528 MAIN ST
LOUISBOURG

***Municipal Registration Only



NAVY LEAGUE
LOUISBOURG

Built 1941

- hostel for navy and members of armed forces
- built by J. W. Stevens of Sydney
- contained a kitchen, dry canteen, two showers, three toilets, a reading room and a dance room.

***Provincial and Municipal registration



UNION PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

-built 1857

- Albert Bridge, also known as the Ferry Church
- built to replace three smaller churches
- located close to ferry crossing for access, also access via Mira River
- Cameron and MacDonald architecture of Antigonish
- each able bodied man in congregation required to give three weeks labour to its construction
- ***Municipal Designation only



CARMEN UNITED CHURCH

***Municipal Designation Only



CARMAN UNITED CHURCH MANSE

***Municipal Registration Only



RED ROW

Built 1828???

- build as residence for miners
- one room houses with brick walls
- each unit has a fire place

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**RICHARD BROWN
HOUSE
SYDNEY MINES
-Beech Hill House
-built 1828**

-built by the GMA
-I shaped house
-L added later
-Richard Brown was first mine manager (1864-1901)
***Provincial and CBRM designation



**HERITAGE HOME BED
AND BREAKFAST
110 QUEEN ST, NORTH
SYDNEY
Built 1870**

***Municipal Registration Only



500 PURVES ST
NORTH SYDNEY

-1902????

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FORMER BANK OF
COMMERCE
299 COMMERCIAL ST.
NORTH SYDNEY

-Former Wilfred Oram Centennial Library

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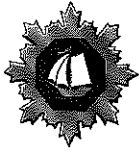


FAIRHOLME FARM GEORGE'S RIVER

Built 1894

- George F. Barber Architect
- Only one other house designed by him in Canada
that is designated in Victoria
- mail order catalogues for plans
- four dozen of his houses listed in US
- *** Municipal Registration Only





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Cape Breton Regional Municipality

Rick McCready
Planning Department

October 12, 2017

MEMO TO: Chairman and members, Heritage Advisory Committee

FROM: Rick McCready, Planner/Heritage Officer

RE: Excellence in Built Heritage Awards

Background

In 2011, the CBRM started a competition in which the public was asked to nominate property owners who had recently carried out the restoration of an historic building for an award. The intent was to recognize the hard work of the property owner, and to set an example to others. In 2011 the awards were given to two nominees, the Glace Bay Heritage Museum and to Charles Sheppard for his renovation of 559 Victoria Road in Sydney. In 2012, the award was given to Eric Keys and Lynn Carmichael for their restoration of 16 Campbell Street in Sydney. No awards were given for 2013, 2014 or 2015, but in 2016 the award was given to Kenneth MacKeigan for his restoration of 79 Charlotte Street in Sydney.

A copy of the original call for nominations for the award is attached.

Recommendation

If the committee wishes to do more to promote heritage conservation in our community, I would recommend that we continue the Excellence in Built Heritage Awards program. If the Committee is agreeable to this, staff requests that the Committee provide some direction on this matter.

Yours very truly,

Rick McCready, MCIP, MURP
Senior Planner/Heritage Officer

CALL FOR NOMINATIONS

Excellence in Built Heritage award

The CBRM Heritage Advisory Committee invites nominations for the first annual Excellence in Built Heritage award.

The purpose of the award is to recognize the work of property owners, contractors or designers who have in the last two years carried out a major renovation of an older building in the CBRM that has preserved and enhanced the building's historic character. The award will be given to a nominee whose work demonstrates:

Creativity and Innovation

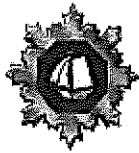
A commitment to preserve or restore the building's original style and architectural features

Use of original building materials to the greatest extent possible

Sensitivity to the natural and built environments surrounding the building

Work on any building within the CBRM that was built prior to 1940 will be considered, although priority will be given to nominations for buildings that were built prior to 1920 and which were in a deteriorated state prior to restoration.

Nomination forms are available from Rick McCreedy, Heritage Officer, by calling 563-5072, or by emailing rgmccreedy@cbrm.us.ca. All nominations must be submitted by December 10, 2010. The award will be presented to the successful nominee at a ceremony to be held on Heritage Day (February 15, 2011)



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Rick McCready
Planning Department

October 11, 2017

MEMO TO: Chairman and members, Heritage Advisory Committee

FROM: Rick McCready, Senior Planner/Heritage Officer

RE: Possible Workshop on role of CBRM Heritage Advisory Committee

The duties and responsibilities of the Heritage Advisory Committee are clearly spelled out in the Nova Scotia *Heritage Property Act*. An excerpt from the Act is attached for the Committee's information.

Some discussion has been taking place regarding the sorts of activities the Committee might be able to pursue in addition to those specifically identified in the legislation. For example, should the committee be doing more to:

- Promote awareness of heritage issues in the Municipality
- Educate the public with respect to the benefits of heritage conservation
- Organize heritage related events
- Partner with community organizations (such as CBRM's many community museums) on heritage projects

To a certain extent, the committee has already done some of this work through activities such as the publishing of our heritage brochure, *Heritage Matters*, and the Excellence in Built Heritage Award. If the committee wishes to undertake more of these activities, consideration should be given to organizing a workshop at which ideas could be discussed, priorities established and an action plan prepared for the committee for the next 1- 3 years.

If the committee is interested in having such a workshop, I would recommend that it be facilitated by someone who is not part of the committee or CBRM staff. It should be someone with expertise in facilitation and strategic planning, and someone who has an understanding of the *Heritage Property Act*. It is very important that any plans pursued by the Committee be consistent with the role as specified in the legislation which is to advise Council. Any activities agreed upon at the workshop should be compiled in a report and forwarded to Council for approval before being pursued.

At the October 16 meeting, discussion can take place regarding the possible time, date and location of such a workshop.

Yours very truly,

Rick McCready, MCIP, MURP
Senior Planner/Heritage Officer

Powers of heritage advisory committee

13 The heritage advisory committee may advise the municipality respecting

- (a) the inclusion of buildings, public-building interiors, streetscapes, cultural landscapes and areas in the municipal registry of heritage property;
 - (b) an application for permission to substantially alter or demolish a municipal heritage property;
 - (ba) the preparation, amendment, revision or repeal of a conservation plan and conservation by-law;
 - (bb) the administration of heritage conservation districts pursuant to the provisions of this Act;
 - (bc) an application for a certificate that is required by this Act or the conservation plan and conservation by-law to go to a public hearing;
 - (c) building or other regulations that affect the attainment of the intent and purpose of this Act;
 - (d) any other matters conducive to the effective carrying out of the intent and purpose of this Act.
- R.S., c. 199, s. 13; 1991, c. 10, s. 3; 2010, c. 54, s. 9.*

Purpose

2 The purpose of this Act is to provide for the identification, designation, preservation, conservation, protection and rehabilitation of buildings, public-building interiors, structures, streetscapes, cultural landscapes, areas and districts of historic, architectural or cultural value, in both urban and rural areas, and to encourage their continued use. *R.S., c. 199, s. 2; 1991, c. 10, s. 1; 2010, c. 54, s. 1*

