



## Brant Heritage Committee Minutes

**Date:** April 3, 2025  
**Time:** 4:00 p.m.  
**Location:** Council Chambers  
7 Broadway Street West  
Paris, ON

**Present:** Mayor Bailey (Joined at 4:33 p.m.), Councillors MacAlpine and Howes, Members Brown, Dirycz, Telfer Faux, and Workman Rose

**Regrets:** Member Varney

**Staff:** Gable, Maxwell, Beddard, and Pluck

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Member Telfer Faux in the Chair.

**1. Attendance**

Attendance was taken.

**2. Approval of Agenda**

Agenda item 10.1 was requested to be moved forward immediately following item 4.2.

Moved by Member Workman Rose  
Seconded by Member Brown

That the Brant Heritage Committee agenda and addendum of April 3, 2025 be approved, as amended.

**Carried**

**3. Declaration of Pecuniary Interests**

None.

#### **4. Delegations / Petitions / Presentations**

##### **4.1 Mark Maxwell - Bawcutt Centre Restoration Project Update**

Mark Maxwell, Director of Engineering & Infrastructure Planning appeared before the committee and provided an update on the Bawcutt Centre Restoration Project. He advised that the proposal is to proceed with the same conservation plan that has previously appeared before the Committee and Council, and that staff intend to return to Council with a plan for moving forward with the restoration as a standalone project. M. Maxwell noted that some interior restoration work may be deferred until the facility use is known, and that all exterior restoration work would proceed, pending Council approval.

In response to questions and concerns regarding the temporary wrapping on the Bawcutt Centre roof, M. Maxwell advised that the roof is inspected as regularly as possible, and that if the roof is not restored prior to winter, another wrap will be installed. He further advised that an approximate timeline for the project tender to come forward would be three months.

Moved by Councillor Howes  
Seconded by Member Brown

That the delegation from Mark Maxwell be received as information.

**Carried**

##### **4.2 Cate Breaugh - Paris Museum and Historical Society - Hiram Capron Homestead**

Cate Breaugh, Chair of the Paris Museum and Historical Society appeared before the Committee and requested that the Brant Heritage Committee protect and preserve the Hiram Capron Homestead, noting that it has come to their attention that the property may have been sold. They acknowledged that the Hiram Capron Homestead is a formally designated property and requested that the interior of the property be documented.

Moved by Councillor Howes  
Seconded by Member Brown

That the delegation from Cate Breaugh on behalf of the Paris Museum and Historical Society be received as information.

**Carried**

#### **10. Other Business**

##### **10.1 Hiram Capron Homestead**

The Committee held discussion regarding the processes required for demolition of a heritage by-law designated property.

In response to questions, Zach Gable, Director of Economic Development & Tourism advised that no inquiries or submissions for permits have been received to date for the Hiram Capron Homestead.

In response to questions, Jazmin Beddard, Arts, Culture and Heritage Officer (ACHO) advised that if an application were to be received for a by-law designated

property, the ACHO will be alerted, and full review, including a grace period, must be brought forward to the Committee for endorsement, and afterwards to Council for approval.

**5. Adoption of Minutes from Previous Meetings**

**5.1 Brant Heritage Committee minutes of March 6, 2025**

Moved by Member Dirycz

Seconded by Member Brown

That the Brant Heritage Committee minutes of March 6, 2025, be approved.

**Carried**

**6. Business Arising from the Minutes**

**6.1 Referral from the Administration and Operations Committee Meeting of March 18, 2025 - Burford King Street Parkette**

Councillor Miller appeared before the Committee and spoke to the Burford King Street Parkette, advising that the project has been community led by the Burford Connects group, with historian Clayton Barker contributing research to incorporate history into the design of the parkette.

The Committee held discussion regarding the parkette and how it was brought to their attention, and expressed an interest in inviting the Burford Connects Group to attend the next Brant Heritage Committee meeting.

Mayor Bailey joined the meeting at 4:33 p.m.

Moved by Councillor Howes

Seconded by Councillor MacAlpine

That the Brant Heritage Committee endorses community efforts to bring historical story elements into the Burford King Street Parkette.

**Carried**

**7. Staff Reports**

**7.1 Doors Open Update**

J. Beddard advised the Committee that Doors Open Along the Grand takes place on Saturday May 10, 2025, from 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. She noted that there are 17 Doors Open sites across the region, and encouraged the Committee to visit the [Doors Open website](#) for the most up-to-date information.

Moved by Member Brown

Seconded by Member Workman Rose

That the Doors Open update be received as information.

**Carried**

**7.2 Joint Heritage Committee Meeting Update**

J. Beddard noted that the Joint Heritage Committee meeting is scheduled for Thursday April 24, 2025, from 4:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m., and that a draft schedule has been created.

Moved by Councillor MacAlpine

Seconded by Councillor Howes

That the Joint Heritage Committee Meeting Update be received as information.

**Carried**

**8. Committee Workplan**

None.

**9. Communications**

None.

**11. Next Meeting and Adjournment**

Committee adjourned at 4:56 p.m. to meet again on Thursday, May 1, 2025 at 6:00 p.m. at the County of Brant Council Chambers.

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Secretary