



Tay Heritage Committee Agenda

February 4, 2020
3:00 p.m. – Council Chambers

1. **Call to Order**

2. **Acceptance of Agenda**

3. **Declarations of Pecuniary Interest**

4. **Adoption of Minutes**

4.1 Minutes of January 7, 2020

5. **Items for Information**

5.1 Signs along Tay Shore Trail

5.2 Email from Brianne Dubeau, Tourism Simcoe County
Re: Doors Open Simcoe County

5.3 Media Release from the Town of Newmarket
Re: Historic Simpson House to be fully reconstructed

6. **New & Unfinished Business**

6.1 Welcome to our new member, Susan Schumach

6.2 Local Source for Century House Numbers

6.3 Doors Open Locations

6.4 Clarification of Role as Arbiter between Owner and Council

7. **Adjournment**



TAY HERITAGE COMMITTEE

Minutes
January 7, 2020

Present: John Todd, Chair
Ken Lung, Committee Member
Susan Lucas, Vice-Chair

Staff Present: Steven Farquharson, Director of Planning and Development
Alison Gray, Clerk*

Absent: Paul Raymond, Council Representative

*left the meeting at 4:00

1. Call to Order

The Chair called the meeting to order at 3:02 p.m.

2. Acceptance of Agenda

Moved By: Susan Lucas

Seconded By: Ken Lung

That the Agenda be accepted as presented.

Carried.

3. Declarations of Pecuniary Interest

None were presented at this time.

4. Adoption of Minutes

4.1 Minutes of November 5, 2019

Moved By: Susan Lucas

Seconded By: Ken Lung

That the November 5, 2019 minutes be adopted as amended.

Carried.

5. Items for Information

5.1 CHO News Fall- 2019

Received for information.

5.2 Township of Oro-Medonte, Re: Doors Open Ontario 2020.

The Committee deferred speaking to item 5.2 until item 6.4 on the agenda.

6. New & Unfinished Business

6.1 Welcome to new Member, Susan Schumach

The Chair advised Susan wasn't able to make it to the meeting and that this item would be deferred until the next meeting to welcome her.

6.2 Review of General Mandate and Responsibilities/Terms of Reference

The Committee reviewed the General Mandate and Responsibilities and Term of Reference with the Township Clerk.

6.3 2020 Meeting Dates

The Director of Planning and Development provided an overview as to why the item was on the agenda and if there was any interest in switching the meeting dates to the first Thursday of the month. The Committee decided that the dates would remain the same as presently scheduled and would discuss the item once again when the entire Committee is present at the next meeting. Susan Lucas and Ken Lung stated that they would not be at the next couple of meetings, so this item would likely not come forward for further discussion until the April meeting at the earliest.

6.4 Ratification of 2020 Committee Objectives

The Chair introduced a list of potential projects for the Committee to complete in 2020. After discussions among the members the following decisions were made on the projects and events for 2020:

- Tay Canada Day- Yes
- Tay Bike Day- Yes
- Fall Car Rally- No (Revisit in 2021)
- Santa Clause Parade- Yes
- Century Home House Numbers- Yes
- Walking Tour Brochure- Yes (Ken Lung was suggesting to the Committee that we look at more of a digital map instead of the paper copies. The Committee said that they look at this as they get closer to working on the project)
- Updating the Inventory- Yes, but this is a long term project. They would look to utilize the student involvement.
- Increase viability at the Libraries- Yes. The Committee discussed reaching out to the Library CAO to discuss having a speaker series at the library locations in the Township. Staff will provide this contact information to the Chair.
- Student Involvement - Yes. Ken Lung has said he continues to work with the secondary schools in the area.
- Trail Plaque Program- Ken Lung suggested a plaque program along the trail, the Committee said that they would look further into this type of project.
- Doors Open Ontario 2020 – Yes, the Committee selected to participate.

6.5 Verbal Update from Ken Lung, Re: Student Involvement in Heritage Studies

Ken provided an update on this project and said that with the pending teacher strikes it has effected it moving anywhere, and the teachers are not stepping up to do special projects. Ken said he would reach out to the post-secondary schools to see if there is interest to help to try and get youth engagement.

6.6 Verbal Report from the Chair, Re: Heritage Member Workshops

- Community Heritage Ontario Orientation Workshop Power Point Presentation (Penetanguishene Centennial Museum's Website)
- Land Registry Office online at onland.ca

The Chair provided an overview of the presentation and said it was a very good presentation and requested that the presentation information be provided to the new member of the Committee.

7. **Adjournment**

Moved By: Susan Lucas

Seconded By: Ken Lung

That the Heritage Committee meeting adjourn at 4:40 p.m.

Carried.

John Todd, Chair

From: Dubeau, Brianne [<mailto:Brianne.Dubeau@simcoe.ca>]
Sent: January-15-20 11:03 AM
To: Steve Farquharson
Subject: Doors Open Simcoe County

Good morning Steve,

I'm Brianne Dubeau, formerly of Heart of Georgian Bay and the newest Experience Development Coordinator at Tourism Simcoe County, taking over the cultural portfolio from Donna Goodwin.

Please inform your Heritage Committee that Tourism Simcoe County will once again be hosting Doors Open Simcoe County in 2020, and I am gathering a list of potential locations. The theme this year is "Environment" and our event will be held on Saturday, September 26th from 10:00AM to 4:00PM.

As a first step, I am looking for your help to identify (and hopefully connect me with) potential Doors Open locations in your communities. Any help you can provide would be appreciated.

What is Doors Open Ontario?

Doors Open Ontario is an annual cultural tourism initiative administered by the Ontario Heritage Trust. The Trust works with communities and partners to open the doors, gates and courtyards of their unique and most fascinating cultural sites to encourage Ontarians to discover the stories inside these exceptional spaces, in communities all across the province. From historical houses to modern marvels of construction, Doors Open Ontario showcases the buildings, natural spaces, infrastructure and cultural landscapes that shape and define our communities.

Selecting Properties

The range of suitable Doors Open Ontario heritage sites is varied and can help participants expand their understanding of heritage properties. It should include sites and buildings that are, and have been central to, the character of your community. Examples could include: commercial buildings, places of worship, cemeteries, inns, schools, Indigenous sites, factories, theatres, boats, gardens, museums, fire halls, railway stations, lighthouses, sports complexes, observation towers, private galleries, civic buildings, lookouts, jails, industrial sites and private homes. Event coordinators are also encouraged to incorporate natural heritage sites and trail systems into their events, where possible. Remember, that admission to these properties must be free on the day of Doors Open Simcoe County.

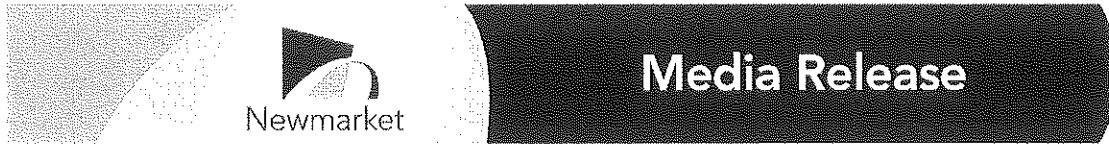
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Historic Simpson House to be fully reconstructed after unauthorized demolition

Main Street Clock Inc. to rebuild and is penalized \$200,000

NEWMARKET, Ontario, January 20, 2020 – The historic Simpson House will be fully reconstructed by the developer, Main Street Clock Inc. (MSC Inc.), who will also be penalized \$200,000, after an unauthorized demolition. MSC Inc. has accepted a stringent set of conditions imposed by the Town of Newmarket to ensure the rebuild of the historic Charles Hargrave Simpson House, at 184/186 Main Street South (Simpson House) in a heritage fashion, as well as the completion of renovations to other associated properties (188/190/192 and 194) on Main Street.

The conditions include:

- A commitment that the Simpson House will be fully reconstructed by MSC Inc. in a full heritage restoration, acceptable to the Town of Newmarket. Other associated properties, (188/190/192 and 194 Main Street), that are part of the development must also be completed according to approved plans and permits.
- A letter of credit in the amount of \$300,000 to secure the completion of the Simpson House reconstruction and completion of work on other associated properties (188/190/192 and 194 Main Street) to the Town's satisfaction and to the full satisfaction of the Chief Building Official and the Town's Heritage consultant.
- Penalty payment of \$100,000 by MSC Inc. to the Town.
- Withdrawal of Community Improvement Plan (CIP) funding of \$100,000 by the Town that would have been provided to MSC Inc. for the entire project under the previous agreement.
- Acknowledgement of unauthorized demolition by MSC Inc.

"The imposed conditions demonstrate our unwavering commitment to heritage preservation and sends a message that if our community's history and heritage is not respected there will be significant consequences," says Newmarket Mayor John Taylor. "Given the circumstances, this is a positive outcome for downtown and Newmarket as a whole. Our main objective is to protect our heritage and continue to move forward with the development and revitalization of our Main Street."

After the unauthorized demolition of the Simpson House by MSC Inc. in October, the Town immediately launched an investigation and issued stop work orders and compliance orders under the Building Code Act. The original scope of work and conditions for the building permits were only to conduct interior alterations to the Simpson House building. During the Town's investigation, the developer MSC Inc. acknowledged the unauthorized demolition of the Simpson House.

MSC Inc. has provided the following statement regarding its actions:

"Main Street Clock Inc. acknowledges and regrets that the Simpson Building was taken down without proper permissions. We accept the penalties and conditions being imposed by the Town and we are committed to a full heritage rebuild and the completion of the adjacent restorations."

The Town of Newmarket continues to stress the importance of following proper processes and respecting the rules and regulations that are in place under the Ontario Building Code Act and the Ontario Heritage Act.

A detailed information report outlining the investigation process and actions undertaken by the Town will be coming forward to Newmarket Council on February 3, 2020. For more information, including a backgrounder on the MSC Inc. development, please visit newmarket.ca/clocktower

The Charles Hargrave Simpson House is a significant heritage property located at 184/186 Main Street South and was home to Ontario's first female druggist, Anne Mary Simpson, who ran an apothecary at that location from 1886 to 1914.

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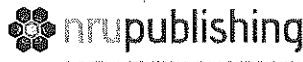
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UPCOMING DATES

JANUARY

- 22 Brampton Council, 9:30 a.m.
 Georgina Council, 6:30 p.m.
 Hamilton Council, 5:00 p.m.
 Markham Development Services Committee, 9:30 a.m.
 Mississauga Council, 9:30 a.m.
 Oshawa Council, 6:30 p.m.
 Richmond Hill Council, 9:30 a.m.
 Richmond Hill Council Public Meeting, 7:30 p.m.
- 23 Peel Region Council, 9:30 a.m.
- 27 Brock Council, 6:30 p.m.
 Clarington General Government Committee, 7:00 p.m.
 King Council/Committee of the Whole, 6:00 p.m.
 Markham Development Services Committee, 9:30 a.m.
 Oakville Council, 6:30 p.m.
 Pickering Council, 7:00 p.m.
 Scugog Council, 6:30 p.m.
 Uxbridge Council, 7:00 p.m.
 Whitby Committee of the Whole, 7:00 p.m.
- 28 Aurora Council, 7:00 p.m.
 Caledon Council, 7:00 p.m.
 Halton Hills Planning, Public Works & Transportation Committee, 3:00 p.m.
 Markham Council, 1:00 p.m.
 Mississauga Urban Design Advisory Panel, 12:45 p.m.
 Vaughan Council, 1:00 p.m.
- 29 Brampton Committee of Council, 9:30 a.m.
 Durham Region Council, 9:30 a.m.
 Georgina Council, 9:00 a.m.



IN BRIEF

Newmarket's Simpson House to be reconstructed after unauthorized demolition

Main Street Clock Inc. has agreed to fully reconstruct the historic Charles Hargrave Simpson House at 184/186 Main Street South after demolishing it without permission in October 2019.

The original scope of work and conditions for Main Street Clock's building permits for the property were to make interior alterations to the

building only. However, the **Town of Newmarket** was made aware of the destruction of the building early October and issued a Stop Work Order on all of the buildings related to the development, comprising 188, 190, 192 and 194 Main Street in addition to the 184/186 property.

Following an investigation by the Town, Main Street Clock has agreed to a full reconstruction and heritage restoration of all the affected properties and payment of a \$200,000 penalty to the Town.

Newmarket **Mayor John Taylor** issued a statement noting "the imposed conditions demonstrate our unwavering commitment to heritage preservation and sends a message that if our community's history and heritage is not respected, there will be significant consequences."

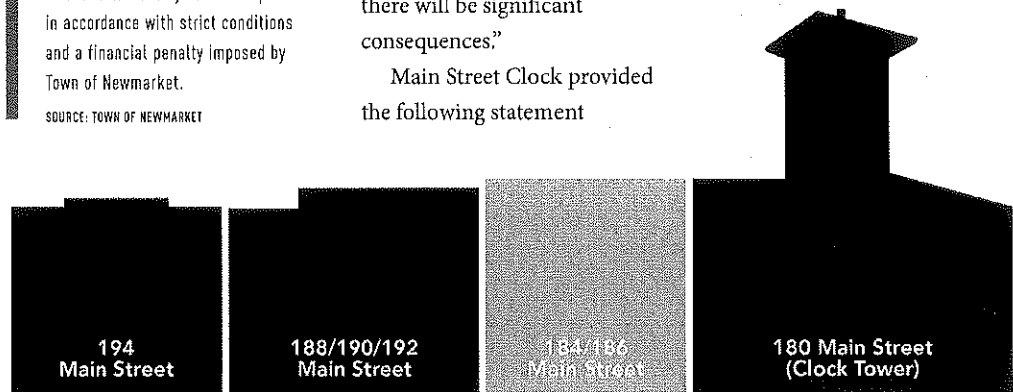
Main Street Clock provided the following statement

regarding its actions: "Main Street Clock Inc. acknowledges and regrets that the Simpson Building was taken down without proper permissions. We accept the penalties and conditions being imposed by the Town and we are committed to a full heritage rebuild and the completion of the adjacent restorations."

Details of the conditions imposed by the Town on Main Street Clock for the unauthorized demolition can be found [here](#).

Diagram of properties owned by Main Street Clock Inc. that were authorized for alteration under three separate building permits by the Town of Newmarket. The area in light grey represents the site of the historic Charles Hargrave Simpson House at 184/186 Main Street South, which was demolished without authorization. Simpson House will be reconstructed by the developer in accordance with strict conditions and a financial penalty imposed by Town of Newmarket.

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