



The Corporation of the City of Sault Ste. Marie
Municipal Heritage Committee
Minutes

Wednesday, January 7, 2026 at 12:00 pm

Video Conference

Meetings may be viewed live on the City's Youtube channel

<https://www.youtube.com/user/SaultSteMarieOntario>

Present: A. White, S. Walker, J. van Haaften, L. Joyal, H. Ellis
Absent: S. Spina, C. Tomchick, V. Ferlaine
Officials: V. McLeod, S. Marchese

1. Land Acknowledgement

2. Adoption of Minutes

Moved by: S. Walker

Seconded by: H. Ellis

Resolved that Minutes of Municipal Heritage Committee meeting of November 5, 2025 be approved.

Carried

3. Declaration of Pecuniary Interest

4. Adoption of Agenda

Moved by: S. Walker

Seconded by: L. Joyal

Resolved that the Agenda for Municipal Heritage Committee meeting for January 7, 2026 as amended be approved.

Carried

5. Business Arising

5.1 Election of officers

Moved by: L. Joyal

Seconded by: A. White

Resolved that the nominations are open for the position of Chair of the Municipal Heritage Committee for 2026.

Carried

Moved by: A. White

Seconded by: S. Walker

Resolved that Jami van Haaften was declared Chairperson of the Municipal Heritage Committee for 2026.

Carried

Moved by: L. Joyal

Seconded by: J. van Haaften

Resolved that nominations be open for the position of Vice-chair of the Municipal Heritage Committee for 2026.

Carried

Moved by: L. Joyal

Seconded by: H. Ellis

Resolved that Alex White was declared Vice-chairperson of the Municipal Heritage Committee for 2026.

Carried

5.2 Heritage Week

Activities discussed include arranging a Heritage walk, and displaying the heritage panels at the libraries. The heritage panels need to be updated and reprinted. V. McLeod and J. van Haaften will work on reviewing the panels. A. White will contact Joe Bumbacco to see if he is interested in assisting with a heritage walk and V. McLeod will contact Councillor Spina.

H. Ellis, J. van Haaften will work on promotion for the event and utilize Doors Open Facebook. The MHC can also cross-promote events taking place at the other sites if applicable.

6. Sub-committee / Task Force Updates

6.1 Doors Open 2026

A sub-committee meeting is scheduled for January 28, 2026.

6.2 Heritage Trees

V. Mcleod is meeting with S. Walker to review research to date. Tree measurements are still outstanding.

6.3 Heritage Booklet and Tours

V. Mcleod will arrange a meeting with H. Ellis and J. Ingram.

7. New Business

8. Correspondence

8.1 CHO Membership

8.2 Doors Open 2025 Wrap Up Report

9. Next Meeting

10. Adjournment

Moved by: S. Walker

Seconded by: L. Joyal

Resolved that this Committee now adjourn.

Carried