ETOBICOKE YORK COMMUNITY PRESERVATION PANEL

MINUTES

Date of Meeting:  Monday October 7, 2013
Time: 7:30 p.m.
Location: Swansea Town Hall, 95 Lavinia Avenue

Present:
Chair Mary Louise Ashbourne, Madeleine McDowell, David Wencer

Guest:
Denise Harris

Regrets:
Claudia Benedik, Thomas Wicks

Adoption of Agenda:

Declarations of interest pursuant to the Municipal Conflict of Interest Act
- none

2013-10 #1  Minutes –Minutes August 26, 2013 – not available.

2013-10 #2  OLD BUSINESS

2013-10 #2.1  Panel Expenses – in the absence of the Treasurer, no receipts were submitted.

2013-10 #2.2  Chair reported the Recommendation for Designation of Mimico Wesley United Church was passed at the Toronto Preservation Board Thursday, October 3, 2013. The Recommendation will be on the Agenda for the Etobicoke York Community Council on October 17, 2013. Chair Mary Louise Ashbourne and Denise Harris will deputize in support of the Designation.

2013-10 #2.3  Chair reported the Recommendation to List the Bank of Nova Scotia in Mount Dennis was passed at the Toronto Preservation Board Meeting on Thursday, October 3, 2013.

2013-10 #2.4  David Wencer had no further report re altering names of Lithuania Park or Runnymede Park. The Etobicoke York Community Preservation Panel is opposed to any name change for either of these parks. The Toronto Historical Association has appointed Edith Geduld and David Wencer to their Heritage Sub-Committee.
Heritage Toronto is encouraging fundraising to place a plaque at 32 Gothic Avenue, a designated building.
2013-10 #2.5 Madeleine McDowell raised concern for the site of the Raymond Baby home. It is possible that when the home was razed to build a gas station, the home was collapsed into the basement and the remnants covered with a cement slab as the foundation base for the gas station. The site is now to be developed as townhouses. No archaeological assessment is planned. The Etobicoke York Community Preservation Panel recommends that a letter be sent to Toronto Preservation Services and the Planning Department requesting that as a condition of the development, the Developer be required to place a plaque at the site to commemorate the Baby Family, their Estate and home at 435 Jane Street.

2013-10 #2.6 Denise Harris reported that the time for objections to Designation under the Ontario Heritage Act has lapsed with regard to the Ormsby/ Franceschini Estate. Also reported, Michael Harrison noted work being done on the roof of one of the buildings and Toronto Preservation Services sent a staff member to investigate.

2013-10#3 NEW BUSINESS

2013-10 #3.1 Denise Harris noted that the 2013 list of Heritage Grants did not include any in Etobicoke York. The Panel agreed we should look for possible candidates and encourage applications.

2013 – 10 #3.2 David Wencer drew attention to the Harbord Village publication setting out information for owners of designated homes and listing restoration tradespersons who are knowledgeable about repairs for 100 year old homes. It is now on line.

2013-10 #3.3 A Developer is looking at Stonegate Mall for redevelopment. The Panel will keep a watching brief and report back with regard to the proposed development.

2013-10 #4 Next Panel Meeting – The next Panel meeting will be held on Monday November 4, 2013 at 7:30pm at the Swansea Town Hall.

2013-10 #5 Correspondence: many letters of support for the Designation of Mimico Wesley United Church (see above)

2013-10 #6 Announcements

2013-10–6.1 Denise Harris reported the Heritage Fair and Annual Corn Roast at Montgomery’s Inn September 5, 2013 was successful. The Etobicoke York Community Preservation Panel had a table with maps and brochures on display at the Heritage Fair.
2013-10 #6.2 David Wencer reported that Toronto Junction Historical Society will meet at Swansea Legion in November and Shox in December as the Annette Library is being renovated. They are planning a Haunted Walk October 20, at 3 p.m. beginning at Shox. Leader will be Neil Ross.

2013-10 #6.3 Madeleine McDowell reported a new display installed at Lambton House commemorating the athletic/sports achievements of Lambton Mills and surrounding areas. She hopes to have John Beran, retired from Canada Packers, as a speaker at one of the up-coming History Nights at the Lambton House. Also announced - Meeting at the Heliconian Club on November 5, 2013 with Jane Beecroft and Carolyn King speakers.

2013-10 #6.4 Reminder complimentary tickets to the 2103 Toronto Heritage Awards and William Kilbourn Memorial Lecture October 15, 2013 are available to the Panel members.

2013-10 #7 Adjournment