A quorum being present, the Chairman called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m.

1. **Minutes of the previous meeting**

   S-131001 "Be it resolved that the minutes of previous meeting of the committee be approved."

   (Bob Saunders, Joan Dolson) Carried

2. **32 Agincourt Drive**

   S-131002 Bob Saunders reported that he had met with the property owners who had yet to decide whether or not they wanted their property to be listed. Bob will meet with them again in the coming weeks to ascertain their final comments.

   **ACTION:** Bob Saunders

2.1 **S-131003 18 Parkcrest dwelling**

   The committee had agreed to research and possibly nominate the property for inclusion on the City’s inventory. Jeremy Hopkin had agreed to research the property and complete the nomination form. The item was tabled to the new year when the new committee meets, since Jeremy was absent from the meeting and has not reported on his progress.

   **ACTION:** Jeremy Hopkin

2.2 **Scarborough Animal Shelter**

   S-131004 The property has been nominated for inclusion on the City’s registry but staff had requested additional information and photographs. Don Allen provided some pictures but the surrounding trees block much of the building. Don will wait until later when the leaves have gone and retake suitable pictures.

   **ACTION:** Don Allen

2.3 **Rouge Beach Lifeguard Station**

   S-131005 Don Allen reported that it is difficult to obtain further information on the structure and site since it was located in Pickering until the area was annexed to Scarborough in 1973. Pickering does not seem to have kept records of the building and Ferguson’s Beach, on which the structure sits. He agreed to look further into obtaining additional information but it may related solely to the Ferguson Beach Amusement park for which the Lifeguard station was built.

   **ACTION:** Don Allen
2.5 **Homeside Apts @ 1165 Kingston Road**

S-131006 After looking further into obtaining additional information on the property and having visited the site again, Bob Saunders noted that there has been considerable alteration to the original structure and although a landmark in the area, the structure does not seem to have sufficient architectural appeal to continue forward with any recommendation to list the property. The committee agreed.

**ACTION:** delete from inventory evaluation

2.6 **Maxwell’s Mill Ruins**

S-131007 The committee has nominated the site for inclusion on the City’s registry and staff have asked for current photographs. Don Allen has several photographs taken a few years ago which show more of the remaining stone walls and the Chairman has taken recent photographs indicating the structure is slowly being vandalized and immediate action is needed to protect what remains.

The Chairman agree to take some more photographs and forward them to staff in an effort to move the Nomination forward in a timely manner. Due to the backlog, it is doubtful if much will remain of the walls, by the time the nomination is considered. Even marking the site with a plaque would likely result in vandalism since the site is remote.

**ACTION:** Preservation staff

2.7 **Birch Cliff Plaza**

S-131008 The committee has already nominated the property and with the ongoing redevelopment along Kingston Road, action is required soon to list the properties. Although the 90 year old plaza consists of several stores attached to each other under one roof, they are likely individually owned and it will be necessary to ascertain the various owners using current assessment records and then make contact with each. The committee would like to have the proposed nomination brought before the Preservation Board for comment and consideration before conducting any further ownership research.

After further discussion it was agreed that continuing the detailed research necessary to find all the various ownerships, including absent land owners, and then meeting with each to discuss the possibility of nominating the strip plaza was more than the committee was capable of doing. It was agreed to table the nomination until a future date when preservation staff have more time to assist the committee with the ownership issues and moving the nomination forward. Redevelopment of the Kingston Road in the future may bring this matter forward again.

**ACTION:** Tabled
2.8 Other Pending Items - Backlog of Nominated properties.

The backlog of nominations for sites to be added to the City's registry of heritage sites was discussed. Scarborough has submitted 12 Nominations in the past two years but none have been brought to the Preservation Board for approval despite staff indications that several are deemed to be complete. Staff have indicated they can proceed with only one nomination for a listing this year and the Highland Creek Lawn Bowling property has been recommended for immediate review.

Council’s representative on the Scarborough panel, Gary Crawford, had agreed to look further into the matter and report back to the committee. His response follows:

“To my understanding, due to the large number of development applications and the need to consider the merits and protection of heritage buildings, those applications have trumped heritage nominations. I am assured that this is not unique to Scarborough district but is happening across the City of Toronto.

Staff indicated that they have hired an additional staff person and are trying to put through at least one nomination from the City’s four preservation panels by the end of this year.

Completed Nominations were prioritized as follows:
1. Highland Creek Lawn Bowling @ 4672 Kingston Rd
2. Eastville Radar Building,
3. Cornell Dwelling @ 19 Parkcrest,
4. Sunningdale Dwelling @ 32 Presley Ave,
5. Dunker’s Flow Balance System @ Scarborough Bluffs

ACTION: Preservation staff

2.9 Report of the Chairman on Pending Items

Having reviewed all the pending items previously circulated, “Be it resolved that the Chairman’s report on pending issues be received.”

(Bob Saunders, Don Allen) Carried

3.1 Communications - CHOnews, October, 2013

The Chairman circulated the October issue of CHOnews and reported on the next Ontario Heritage Conference in Cornwall.

3.2 Heritage Toronto Plaque for Scott-Westney House

The Chairman circulated a copy of the draft inscription for the above plaque and noted several errors which were brought to the attention of HT. The revised inscription was provided and approved.

“Be it resolved that the revised inscription for the Scott-Westney plaque be approved and that committee members be informed of the unveiling date by Heritage Toronto”.

(Bob Saunders, Joan Dolson) Carried
3.3 **Heritage Toronto Plaque for Richard Eade House**

S-131013 The Chairman circulated a copy of the draft inscription for the above plaque and noted several errors which were brought to the attention of HT. Heritage Toronto has yet to provide a revised inscription.

**ACTION:** Tabled until a revised inscription is provided by Heritage Toronto.

3.4 **Nomination Backlog.**

S-131014 Preservation staff reported:

“We’ve managed to free up some space in our reporting cycle to undertake a Scarborough listing in the next cycle or two. In order to do this I’d like to know from you which one the Scarborough Panel thinks is the property that should be attended to next, so that we can add it to our current research work. Your reply at your earliest convenience is appreciated.”

As noted above, the committee’s priority list suggested the nomination of the Highland Creek Lawn Bowling property be moved forward. It is owned by the City and has the full support of the local councillor.

**ACTION:** Preservation staff

4.1 **New Business: 22 Agincourt Drive**

S-131015 The Chairman reported that 22 Agincourt Drive, a 1919 brick dwelling on the committee’s “watch” list, has been sold and will likely be demolished.

The committee discussed the issue at length and it was agreed that since the property had not yet been nominated due to the existing backlog of nominations and the fact that the property was sold without any heritage note on title, it would not be possible to recommend the designation at this time and realistically expect it to be approved before a demolition permit were to be issued. It was agreed that this loss may lead to the loss of other heritage buildings in old Agincourt Village unless the backlog of nominations is resolved such that new nominations can be brought forward.

Upon further examination of the building, Bob Saunders suggested that there were more pressing issues and that the building, although almost 100 years old, is not in the best shape and there are other Agincourt Village dwellings more worthy of nomination at a time when the backlog is smaller.

**ACTION:** delete from “watch” list
4.2 **New Business: Harris-White property designation**  

S-131016  
The Chairman reviewed communication received from Vivian White, owner of the Harris Farm dwelling located on Murray Avenue at Harris Farm Gate. The 1894 brick farm house was acquired by William White in 1952 and the house is recommended for designation for its cultural value and its association with Bill White who was a Canadian composer and social justice activist, the first Black Canadian to run for federal office in Canada (1949) and later appointed an Officer of the Order of Canada in 1970.  
The committee had earlier passed the following recommendation:  
*“That the Harris Farm/William White house be recommended for designation under the terms of the Ontario Heritage Act.”*  

Preservation staff have indicate that they may be able to move the listed property to designation in the new year.  

The Chairman replied that due to the significance of the person associated with the proposed designation of the White family property, designation in February, 2014 during Black History Month would be most suitable. Mrs. White is anxious to save the property before it’s sold, and also to recognize the significant contributions made by her late husband.

**ACTION -** staff, Preservation Board and Council

4.3 **New Business: New Appointments to the panels**  

S-131017  
Since it has now been almost 7 years since the current members were appointed to serve their four year term and since only one year remains in the current term, Preservation staff have recommended that those who have put forth a nomination to serve on the Scarborough committee be appointed for a five year term ending in 2018 or until their successors are appointed.

Scarborough Council approved the recommendation on September 10th and it appears that the recommendation was approved by City Council on October 8th. The confidential attachment which lists the individuals nominated has not yet been released.

The Chairman will wait until the list is provided before any further action can be taken regarding further meetings of the committee.
4.4 **New Business: Menno/Joe Reesor property @ 6461 Steeles Ave.**

Claudie Benedek of Stanford Downey Architects has been hired by the Toronto Wildlife Centre to explore the possibility is renovating to Menno/Joe Reesor dwelling for use by the Wildlife Centre.
The property is believed to be owned by Runnymede Development. In 2005, the committee passed the following resolution:

“Be it resolved that the Preservation Panel reaffirm its desire to preserve the 1915 Menno/Joe Reesor House and request that staff continue to monitor development proposals and look into the designation of this structure once it becomes threatened.”

The Chairman completed extensive research on the property and the Reesor family in response to the architect’s request, including documenting the likely date of construction of the main dwelling as well as the later doddy house. It is hoped that this information will enable the parties involved to reach an amicable decision on the future use of the property which appears to be currently abandoned.

**ACTION:** Chairman

5. **Adjournment and date of the next meeting(s)**

**S-131019**

BE IT RESOLVED:

“That the meeting be adjourned”

It was agreed to hold the next meeting on Tuesday, December 10th or 17th at the call of the Chairman, once the new committee members have been identified and notified.

*Bob Saunders*

**ACTION:** Chairman