



Cultural Roundtable Committee Minutes
Monday, April 23, 2018 6:00 p.m.
LaunchIt Minto

Attendance: Councillor Jean Anderson, Peggy Raftis, Gordon Duff, John Cox, Megan Raftis, Brooke McLean, Andrew Gowan, Caitlin Hall and Raissa Rogers.

Staff Present: Economic Development Manager Belinda Wick-Graham and Economic Development Assistant Taylor Keunen.

Regrets: May Lou Colwell

1. Call to Order by Peggy Raftis at 6:05 p.m.

Peggy welcomed everyone in attendance and noted that the Volunteer Appreciation dinner was a great success with approximately 250 people in attendance and a great presentation by Jason Cranny.

2. Minutes of Previous Meeting

- a. Minutes of March 26, 2018

MOTION

Moved By: Megan Raftis **Seconded By:** Jean Anderson

THAT The Cultural Roundtable approve the minutes of the March 26, 2018 meeting.

CARRIED

3. Committee Minutes for Approval

Keunen noted that the Minto Youth Action Council did not meet in the month of April and that the Railway Museum minutes took place earlier that day and the minutes would be reviewed at the next meeting.

4. Roundtable Discussion

- a. Culture Days - September 28 - 30, 2018

The Committee discussed the following potential ideas for Culture Days:

“Culture Crawl”

- Passport with prizes to win (Theatre tickets, local baked goods, etc.)
- Use Eventbrite to register for events or call/email Town Office

Friday

- National Film Board Film at the Crown
- Butter Tart Contest

Saturday

- Dinkelmann Grappling Arts – Free demonstrations in Heritage Park
- Palmerston Railway Heritage Museum open (during the day)
- Farmers’ Market (in the morning)
 - Face painting
- Grey-Wellington Theatre Guild performance (evening)
- Kids Culture Craft in Tannery Park (Rain: Library basement)
 - Build a scarecrow, paint a pumpkin or masks (masquerade parade)

Sunday

- Square Dancing at the Community Centre
 - Outdoor Jam Session around the fire at Jean’s
 - Michael Park, Wesley Bates, Juanita Wilkins, Peter Harriston, Dan Bieman, Patrick Main, Dave McGee
 - Apple Picking (at Jean’s)
 - Pork, Beans & Butter Tarts
 - Astronomy Event at Jean’s (evening)
- b. Cool Cones Launch Update

Wick-Graham reminded the Committee that the unveiling of the cones would take place on Saturday June 2, 2018 at 10:00 a.m. at the Wellington County Library – Harriston Branch. She shared that the artists would have a chance to speak and brochures would be handed out for people to tour the downtown and view the cones. Brooke confirmed that an ice cream making workshop taking place at the library. Caitlin noted that she would contact Mapleton’s Organic and purchase three 11.4 litre tubs of ice cream (1 chocolate, 1 vanilla, 1 Maple Sugar) for the booth at the Garden Festival that day. She also confirmed that she would be able to transport the cart to the Garden Festival but would need electricity at the Garden Festival. Wick-Graham shared that the Canada Packers Committee had gathered volunteers to cover the booth from 9:00 a.m. until 12:00 p.m. The Committee decided to close the booth at 12:00 p.m. instead of 2:00 p.m. and that they would purchase baby cones instead of using cups and spoons to limit waste. Wick-Graham shared that the

brochure would work for the people's choice contest by ripping off a section to be filled out and dropped off to place a vote, as well as voting on social media. She reminded the Committee that the contest would be to take a photo with their favourite cones and to use #coolcones on the posts.

5. Reports

Keunen shared that the Volunteer Dinner was a success with Jason Cranny and that he enjoyed coming to Minto. She also shared that the Minto Youth Action Council's meeting with the Trails Committee went well and that they would be working together to come up with a Scavenger Hunt for the trails opening on Saturday June 2, 2018.

Gord shared that he participated in a SPARC youth engagement webinar and that its focus was about youth engagement which was very fitting to what Jason Cranny spoke about.

Megan informed the Committee that youth theatre auditions would be starting on May 1, 2018 and that the final weekend showing of Terms of Endearment.

Brooke shared that the Harriston library branch has been busy this Spring and hired a new staff person, Tim Greenwood. She informed the Committee that the next Carnegie Café would be featuring embroidery.

Jean highlighted that the Horticultural Society would be working with local youth through the CELP program and TLC coordinator Paul Judge to revitalize local parks.

John reminded the Committee that the Chamber Awards would be taking place on Thursday April 26, 2018 at the Harriston Legion starting at 6:00 pm. He also shared that the final Mayor's Breakfast would be taking place in Palmerston on Friday April 27, 2018 at the Rural Spoon at 8:00 am and to RSVP to Somer.

Mayor Bridge shared that he was very happy to have seen the youth at the Volunteer Dinner and that he would be working with the youth in the future regarding mental health in Minto. He also shared that he, along with Keunen and Wick-Graham, would be working with Norwell and the Township of Mapleton to host a Graduation Luncheon and tree planting to send off the graduating students and remind them that their roots are in Minto. Mayor Bridge also informed the Committee that he and Keunen would be presenting at Minto Clifford and Palmerston Public Schools in May to encourage younger youth to get involved with the Minto Youth Action Council.

Peggy shared that Jamie Warren would be performing at the Grey-Wellington theatre Guild on May 25, 2018. She highlighted that the radio show at the River was well received and that they would be doing a second show in the future and that they would be presenting the show during Culture Days as well. Peggy also shared that the Fall production would be *Miracle on 34th Street* starting on November 16, 2018 with ten shows.

6. Adjournment at 7:35 p.m. moved by Jean Anderson