

FRIENDS OF THE MARKHAM MUSEUM BOARD MEETING
Meeting No. 64
Markham Museum, Mount Joy Boardroom
March 8, 2017, 5:00 p.m.

In Attendance:	Regrets:
Randy Barber, Chair	Wendy Kadlovski
Doug Worsley, Vice Chair	Carolina Moretti
Martha Mingay, Secretary	Lorne Smith
Councillor Colin Campbell	
Charlotte Schickedanz	
Ardy Reid	
Bill Crothers	
Mary Brawley	
<i>Ex Officio:</i>	<i>Guests:</i>
Cathy Molloy, Museum Director	
<i>Staff</i>	
Matthew Wright (Recording Secretary)	

1. CALL TO ORDER AND OPENING REMARKS

The meeting of the Friends of the Markham Museum Board was called to order at 5:00 p.m. with R. Barber presiding as Chair.

2. DECLARATIONS

Nil.

3. ADDITIONS/CHANGES TO THE AGENDA

Moved By: B. Crothers
 Seconded By: D. Worsley

THAT the agenda for the March 8, 2017 meeting be approved as distributed.

Carried. (3.1)

4. REGRETS

C. Moretti, W. Kadlovski and L. Smith sent their regrets.

5. ADOPTION OF MINUTES OF MEETING

Moved By: C. Schickedanz
 Seconded By: D. Worsley

THAT the minutes of the Friends of the Markham Museum meeting on February 1, 2017 be approved as distributed.

Carried. (5.1)

6. BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

Nil.

7. BOARD EDUCATION

Nil.

8. DIRECTOR'S REPORT

C. Molloy gave a report (Attachment A).

Moved By: M. Mingay

Seconded By: B. Crothers

THAT the Board receives the Director's report.

Carried. (8.1)

9. TREASURER'S REPORT

Nil.

10. COMMITTEE REPORTS

a) Collections Committee: Next meeting April 19 at 9 a.m.

b) Development Committee: Conrad Black Lecture Series event on March 23, tickets \$40. Peter Russell, a U of T professor, has a book on Canada; potential speaker. We will move forward with the event with the Canadian Cancer Society, now looking at dates.

c) Executive Committee: Nil.

11. MARKHAM HISTORICAL SOCIETY REPORT

Mar 13, Steve Brown: The Story of Soldiers of WWI; Apr 10, Museum Tour with Janet Reid; May 8, Pie Night, Jennifer Cousineau: History of Lapp Cider Mill; Jun 12, Bus tour to Leaskdale, home of Lucy Maud Montgomery.

12. OTHER BUSINESS

a) The AGM is upcoming.

13. NEXT MEETING

The Chair informed the Board that the next meeting would be held on April 5, 2017 at 5 p.m. in the Mount Joy Board Room at Markham Museum.

14. ADJOURNMENT

Moved by: D. Worsley

Seconded by: M. Brawley

THAT the March 8, 2017 meeting of the Friends of the Markham Museum Board be adjourned.

Carried. (14.1)

Meeting adjourned 5:44 p.m.

Attachment A

Friends of the Markham Museum, Directors' Report

March 8, 2017

Mount Joy Board Room @ 5:00 p.m.

Programs and Events

Winterfest:

Almost 3,000 people attended Winterfest at the Museum on Family Day. The event is successful because of many community partners, including the Markham Historical Society, the Sustainability, Fire Services, and Recreation departments of the City of Markham.

Camp Update:

March Break Camp will be operational at the Museum in 2017, training for staff occurred today. Summer camp Director, Supervisors, and Specialists have been hired. Currently Program staff are interviewing for counsellor positions.

Myseum:

Julianna Rock, the Exhibit Engagement and Communications Administrator will be full time from now until mid-Fall to support the programs funded by the Myseum project.

Exhibits

Myseum Intersections was launched this past Monday evening in the rotunda of Toronto City Hall. The event was extremely well attended and the Museum was featured nicely. Programs and other materials were released that evening and a program is available for all Friends to take with them. Please be sure to visit some of the other participating sites events and exhibits.

Janet Reid spent a significant amount of time gathering materials for the Donald Cousens memorial display at the Civic Centre. The City produced a lovely display in the memory of the past Mayor.

Capital Programs

2017 projects have started in terms of planning and hiring contracts, with much leadership from the Asset Management team at the City of Markham. Work includes repairs to the Locust Hill train station, Strickler House and several smaller repairs and replacements throughout the site, including a new furnace in Mount Joy School building.

2018 asks will align with the Strategic plan, with a major request being to renovate Strickler Barn into an event space, which will greatly improve capacity for events, particularly private functions, (rentals.) A secondary major request will be to retrofit Chapman House into a community kitchen for partnered programming with two other City departments.

Museum Strategic Plan

An updated draft of the Strategic Plan is with the Director, Stephen Chait, for review. A special meeting of the Friends will be called to a review of the plan. Originally planned to go to Council in April, realistically we are looking at May or June.

Culture and Economic Development Organizational Plan and Branding

The draft of the plan was reviewed by the department Director and Managers and will be ready for release in April.

Acadia Rail Car

The Exporail Museum in Quebec collection committee met in February and officially declined the offer of Acadia into their collection. York-Durham Heritage Railway Association is interested in Acadia, but have no funds.