

Historic Sites Committee

of the London Public Library Board
June 14, 2023
5 p.m.
Administration Room, Central Library

MINUTES

Present: Members: H. Bates Neary, M. Beaudoin, S. Desserud, M. Duncanson (Chair),
E. Hobin (staff), L. Kernohan, A. McClelland (staff), K. Pasierbek, J.
Rayner

Recorder: D. Bumstead (staff)

Green text reflects action items.

1. **Apologies:** B. Chiasson, M. Murphy

2. Approval of Minutes

HS23/09 - J. Rayner moved and H. Bates Neary seconded approval of minutes.
CARRIED.

3. Terms of Reference & Procedural Guideline Review

The committee reviewed the Terms of Reference.

HS23/10 – L. Kernohan moved and H. Bates Neary seconded approval of revised
Terms of Reference.
CARRIED.

Procedural Guidelines

The Procedural Guidelines review will continue at next meeting. Diana to bring changes
to next meeting.

HS23/11 - H. Bates Neary moved and L. Kernohan seconded approval of changes to
the Procedure Guidelines.
CARRIED.

4. Land acknowledgment at unveilings?

M. Beaudoin provided a sample land acknowledgment for the Clark House plaque unveiling. The committee discussed land acknowledgment use at future plaque unveilings.

5. Committee Update

a) Budget update

Budget update provided.

b) John Clark House Plaque

- a. Unveiling June 3 – Event went well. The event received good publicity. Historical family relatives spoke at the event. The City unveiled their heritage property plaque at the same time. This is a geographic area where we hadn't plaqued before.
- b. research for London Room – Arthur is keeping this.

c) London Muslim Mosque (Hilary)

- a. Final text to Board in June

And of His signs is the creation of the heavens and earth and the diversity of your languages and your colors. Indeed, in that are signs for those of knowledge. [30:22]

Ontario's first Mosque was established in a house at 151 Oxford Street by the Canadian Moslem Benevolent Society of London. Following a fire, the present Mosque opened in 1964 and the Islamic School in 1996. London's first Muslims arrived in the late 19th century. The Mosque serves Muslims of all nationalities.

Erected by the London Public Library Board, date

HS23/12 – J. Rayner moved and K. Pasierbek seconded approval of text to Board.

CARRIED.

d) Drewlo/ Waterloo Pall Mall (Jennifer)

J. Rayner provided two possible scripts for the plaque.

Committee members provided feedback. Jennifer to distill and share over email with committee.

e) EMCO plaque text (Matthew)

Deferred to next meeting.

f) London Curling Club (Michael)

- a. Content for website

b. Research for London Room

This conversation deferred to next meeting when M. Murphy is present.

6. Arthur (Heritage meeting updates)

A. McClelland provided an update on heritage news.

It is now possible to visit the slave chapel at Fanshawe Park.

7. Set Fall/ winter meeting dates

Fall meeting dates were set.

8. Other Business

Add Newmarket Racetrack to parking lot.

Add to radar 55 years of HSC coming in 2025. The 50th was in 2020. D. Bumstead will add this to the parking lot.

Meeting adjourned at 6:31 p.m.