

2:30 p.m.

June 03, 2020

# THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWN OF LAKESHORE

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## MINUTES OF HERITAGE ADVISORY COMMITTEE

**PRESENT:** Member –Chair Kelsey Santarossa  
Member Erin Bates  
Member Sahar Jamshidi  
Member Samantha Keller  
Member Samantha Russell

**ABSENT:** Member Mike Lanoue  
Member Miranda Monahan

**STAFF:** Director of Community and Development Services Tammie Ryall  
Manager of Development Services Kim Darroch  
Recording Secretary Gisèle Pillon

### 1. **CALL TO ORDER – 2:36 P.M.**

Kim Darroch led introductions of all those present at the meeting.

### 2. **APPOINTMENT OF CHAIR**

There was a nomination for Kelsey Santarossa to be appointed as Chair.

*“Moved by Sahar Jamshidi and Seconded by Samantha Keller*

*That Kelsey Santarossa be appointed as Chair.*

**“Motion Carried”**

### 3. **DECLARATION OF CONFLICT OF INTEREST**

There were no conflicts of interest declared at this time.

### 4. **NEW BUSINESS**

Demolition of a Structure under the *Ontario Heritage Act* – 7119 Tecumseh Rd., Church of the Annunciation, Community of Stoney Point.

- a) Kim Darroch reviewed (By-law 84-2007 Schedule “B”) and described the Heritage Attributes associated with the historical church.

#### **A) DELEGATES**

- a) Tom Storey, Planner, representing the applicants; Mirna and Kamal Lachine:
  - Reviewed the justification report emphasizing that during the past 14 years since designation, the structure has deteriorated substantially.
  - Mr. and Mrs. Lachine have owned the property for a total of two years.
  - Applicants retained Tom Storey in September of 2019 to initiate the process of reviewing options for the property, at which time they pre-consulted with the municipality to discuss the same.
  - Building Condition Assessment Report: concludes that the structure is a danger to the community, in its current state. The Town of Lakeshore’s Chief Building Official, provided written comments, concurring with the engineer’s assessment of the church.
  - Member Russell questioned the applicants about measures they’ve taken to prevent vandalism and its state since their purchase of the church. The applicants described ongoing structural failings that were not economically sound to repair. They continue to be victims of vandalism. They continue to board up the property, which doesn’t seem to deter those causing the vandalism.
  - Kim Darroch confirmed to the Committee that they can make a recommendation to Council that they have the applicants create an inventory of the items of historical significance (with pictures and descriptions) and include suggestions on what steps should be taken to preserve their significance.
  - Tom Storey noted to the Committee, in his opinion, that, the structural engineer’s report and Planning Justification Report, have satisfied the

Town of Lakeshore Official Plan policies for requests for demolition of a designated structure.

- Tammie Ryall noted that it might be important to document the heritage attributes by listing them, with picture documentation and measurements.
- Kelsey Santarossa noted that it feels like the engineer's report is lacking in details on what is structurally unsound. That pictures of the areas of the church that are in disrepair should have accompanied the report.
- Kim Darroch noted that the Chief Building Official, concurs with the engineer's conclusion, that, the building is unsafe and that demolition should proceed.
- Sahar Jamshidi suggested that a plaque, or commemorative stone could be erected on the site to mark its significance. Kim Darroch noted that we do have a plaque for the church, but it was never erected on the façade at the time, as the Diocese of London, did not permit it and that Council could impose such conditions, if they so inclined.

***“Samantha Russell moved and Erin Bates seconded.***

***That the applicants present back to this Committee a Heritage Impact Study or Assessment, to inventory the historical items that might be salvageable; and***

***That the applicants also provide an amended engineer's report, detailing what the cost would be to bring the church to a salvageable and safe condition.”***

***Motion Carried”***

## **B) CORRESPONDENCE:**

- a) Planning Justification Report
- b) Demolition Permit
- c) Designation By-law

## **5. ADJOURNMENT**

***Sahar Jamshidi moved and Erin Bates seconded.***

***That:***

***The meeting be adjourned at 3:33 p.m.***

***Motion Carried***

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**KELSEY SANTAROSSA  
CHAIR**

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**KIM DARROCH  
MANAGER OF  
DEVELOPMENT  
SERVICES**

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