

Municipality of Lakeshore – Report to Council

Operations

Public Works



To: Mayor & Members of Council

From: Jeff Wilson, Division Leader – Public Works

Date: March 14, 2023

Subject: Stoney Point/Pointe-aux-Roches Heritage Commemorative Monument

Recommendation

Subject to the consent of the property owner, direct the Division Leader – Public Works to relocate the Commemorative Monument located at 6690 Tecumseh Road, Stoney Point/Pointe-aux-Roches to Stoney Point Park, as presented at the March 21, 2023 Council meeting.

Background

On November 15, 1982, Stoney Point celebrated a Village Proud of Heritage event, in commemoration of the founding of Stoney Point/Pointe-aux-Roches. As part of this celebration, a commemorative plaque and rock were sponsored by the Centennial Committee and placed by the Ontario Heritage Foundation.

The monument recognized the unique culture and heritage of the community of Stoney Point/ Pointe-aux-Roches. An article from the Star Learnington Bureau has been attached for further information related to this event. As part of this event, a time capsule was also buried beneath the rock for review at a future date or milestone.

The property that the monument was placed on was the former municipal offices of the Township of Tilbury North (located at 6690 Tecumseh Road). Unfortunately, the property was sold sometime around 2009 and the monument was not relocated at the time and currently resides on private property. The monument has continued to be maintained by Lakeshore staff however could use more routine maintenance in an area more accessible (i.e., a Lakeshore Park). Furthermore, the monument should be accessible to the public in order to avoid persons wishing to view it travelling onto private property.

There was also a gazebo located on the property which was installed by the former municipality (after the monument was installed). This structure has not been maintained since the sale of the property.

Comments

Moving this piece of Stoney Point/Pointe-aux-Roches heritage to Municipal property will allow Municipal staff to properly preserve and offer more regular maintenance to this monument.

Administration recommends the commemorative monument be relocated to 800 Comber Sideroad, the Stoney Point Park. This will allow residents to better view the monument without travelling on private property. Further, this monument will be incorporated in the park planning process for the new park.

Administration has reached out to the current owner of the property (6690 Tecumseh Road) and he has been made aware that the Municipality is proposing to remove and relocate the monument that resides on his property. He consents to the transfer of the monument.

Further, the discussion on removal and disposal of the gazebo was offered to the owner, however the owner has requested the gazebo be left on site and he will provide the necessary maintenance as the owner of the structure. It should be noted that the gazebo is a fixture on the property and was not excluded from the sale at the time of the sale of the property.

Financial Impacts

The financial impacts are minimal as the commemorative monument will be relocated using funds from the parks operating budget.

Attachments

Newspaper Article from the Star - November 15, 1982

Report Approval Details

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This report and all of its attachments were approved and signed as outlined below:

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