

**MINUTES OF THE  
SAANICH HERITAGE FOUNDATION MEETING  
HELD VIA REMOTE MEETING  
TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 8, 2022, AT 5:30 P.M**

Present: Veronica McEllister, President; Sonia Nicholson, Vice President; Art Joyce, Treasurer; Sarah Anderson; Sheila Colwill; James Thomson; and Councillor Karen Harper

Regrets: Silvia Exposito, Planner (Community Planning)

Guests: None

Staff: Cameron Scott, Manager of Community Planning; and Shirley Leggett, Secretary

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Minutes: MOVED by S. Colwill and Seconded by S. Anderson: "That the Minutes of the October 11, 2022, Regular Meeting be adopted as circulated."

Agenda: MOVED by S. Nicholson and Seconded by S. Colwill: "That the agenda be amended to include 2489 Sinclair Road as a late item."

CARRIED

**4264 BLENKINSOP ROAD – APPLICATION FOR HERITAGE DESIGNATION**

The Manager of Community Planning stated:

- The subject property is part of a previous land use application which has an associated requirement for demolition of the existing house, prior to occupancy of the new house to be constructed on the property. Currently the demolition permit is on hold to allow time for the new construction.
- The new owner of the property is hoping to retain the old house and has applied for heritage designation. They plan to use the old house as a farm accessory building for their proposed Cidery Business.

Foundation members noted the following:

- The application is well supported with detailed information on the history of the property and its previous owners. It would be an ideal addition to the Heritage Register.
- The applicants hired a Cultural Heritage Specialist to research and prepare the application for heritage designation and Professor Martin Segger of UVic, visited the property and assessed the heritage potential of the current dwelling and its location on the property.
- Using the old house as part of their business operation will be good advertising for preserving heritage.

**MOVED BY S. Colwill and Seconded by S. Nicholson: "That the Saanich Heritage Foundation supports the Application for Heritage Designation dated May 11, 2022, as submitted by the applicants for 4264 Blenkinsop Road."**

CARRIED

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The Manager of Community Planning left the meeting at 5:40 pm

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**1248 BURNSIDE ROAD WEST (STRANTON LODGE) - UPDATE**

S. Colwill stated:

- The gardening contract has been completed for the year. The tenant was happy with the gardening company and would like the Foundation to continue with the same arrangement for next year.

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### **4139 LAMBRICK WAY (DODD HOUSE) – UPDATE**

S. Colwill stated:

- Trevor from Arbor Renovations is still recovering from his fall a few months ago but he has an associate who will be able to clean the gutters at both Dodd House and Stranton Lodge.
- She will speak with Trevor in the spring to see if he will be able to build the new fence or if someone else will have to do it.
- There are some branches on the tree close to the driveway that should be trimmed although it may have to wait until next year.
- The tenants have done a good job maintaining the yard and gardens and can be sent their second and final payment for the year.

### **TREASURER’S REPORT – UPDATE**

The Treasurer provided the following Statement of Receipts and Disbursements balances up to November 2, 2022:

Operating Account:	\$11,897.35		
Grant Account:	\$56,066.03	GIC:	\$20,893.30 (due April 4, 2023)
		GIC:	\$13,536.25 (due May 7, 2022)
Hall House Account:	\$5,475.63	GIC:	\$24,387.30 (due June 12, 2022)
Dodd House Account:	\$38,022.77	GIC:	\$21,755.99 (due Oct. 4, 2022)
		GIC:	\$10,509.80 (due Nov.1, 2022)

**MOVED by A. Joyce and Seconded by S. Anderson: “That the Treasurer’s report be received for information.”**

**CARRIED**

### **SOCIAL MEDIA UPDATES**

The President stated:

- She is doing posts on recruiting new members to the Foundation.
- In recognition of Remembrance Day, she has done some posts on the soldiers housing project.

### **UPDATES FROM THE ARTS, CULTURE AND HERITAGE ADVISORY COMMITTEE (ACH)**

The Vice President stated:

- There hasn’t been a recent meeting.

### **ADVOCACY AND OUTREACH – UPDATE**

The Vice President stated:

- Nothing new to report.

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**2489 SINCLAIR ROAD (DESIGNATED) – (HAMSTERLEY FARM WATER TOWER)**

S. Colwill stated:

- The subject property is owned by the University of Victoria and the water tower is heritage designated.
- She recently drove by the water tower and was concerned about its current condition. There is graffiti on the shingles, ferns are growing out of the roof, and the property is overgrown.
- It would be appropriate to send a letter to Facilities Management at UVic letting them know of our concerns and asking them what their plans are for upkeep of the tower and property.
- In the past it's been used as a tack room and a stable but she doesn't know what it's current use is.

**ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting adjourned at 6:05 p.m.

**NEXT MEETING**

The next Regular meeting of the Saanich Heritage Foundation will be held **via remote meeting on Tuesday, January 10, 2023, at 5:30 p.m.**

..... CHAIRPERSON