



The Corporation of
THE TOWNSHIP OF MELANCTHON
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CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MELANCTHON

MEMORANDUM

TO: MAYOR WHITE AND MEMBERS OF COUNCIL

FROM: BECKY CUNNINGTON, SECRETARY HERITAGE ADVISORY COMMITTEE

SUBJECT: RECOMMENDATION FROM HERITAGE ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING HELD JANUARY 9TH, 2024

DATE: JANUARY 10TH, 2024

8.2 General Business; 2024 Budget

The Heritage Advisory Committee discussed their planned projects, initiatives and expected expenses for 2024 which include the One Room Schoolhouse Project, Plaque Program, Heritage Week Project and CDDHS Bursary.

Recommendation:

The Heritage Advisory Committee recommends to Council that \$3500.00 be put in the 2024 budget for the Heritage Advisory Committee 2024 activities.

8.4.1 General Business; Unfinished Business; Bursary for the History Department at CDDHS

The Heritage Advisory Committee reviewed the criteria for the Township of Melancthon's James Beachell Award that the Committee would like to offer at CDDHS. Attached is the Award Criteria Presented by the Heritage Advisory Committee.

Recommendation:

The Heritage Advisory Committee recommends to Council that they approve the James Beachell Award with the attached criteria, and it be awarded to a graduating Grade 12 Student annually, commencing in 2024.

8.4.2 General Business; Unfinished Business; CDDHS Student Volunteer Position – Discuss draft outline circulated by Township Staff

The Heritage Advisory Committee discussed the benefits of utilizing student volunteers to assist with Heritage Committee initiatives and research and give students an opportunity to give back to the community. Attached is the Student Volunteer Position Criteria Presented by the Heritage Advisory Committee

Recommendation:

The Heritage Advisory Committee recommends to Council that they approve the CDDHS Student Volunteer Position and authorize the Committee to put the call out for Volunteers.

Township of Melancthon's James Beachell Award

James Beachell, a native of Yorkshire, England, became the first Reeve of the Township of Melancthon and the first Warden of Grey County. He opened Melancthon's first post office in 1851 and erected a hotel and tavern ("Beachell Hotel") that proved to be popular among travellers and settlers.

OPPORTUNITY

Every year, the Township of Melancthon awards one Grade 12 student at Centre Dufferin District Highschool with the James Beachell Award, which includes a \$500 bursary. To qualify, students are invited to write a personal essay that outlines how they have helped educate themselves and/or others of history and heritage. In their essay, students should highlight:

- any volunteer work they've done on history/heritage (e.g., participating in Remembrance Day ceremonies, volunteering at museums, writing on local history/heritage, etc.).
- activities that have been done to showcase Melancthon, Dufferin County and/or Canadian culture.
- Other history/heritage related activities.

The Township of Melancthon's Heritage Committee will review essay submissions and select the successful candidate. The James Beachell Award will be presented each June at the CDDHS graduation commencement.

REQUIREMENTS

- Essays should be between 250-500 words
- Students must be able to verify the experiences they describe in their essay. This can be done by listing references of those who supervised their heritage/history related activities.
- Essays should be submitted in Microsoft Word format no later than Friday March 1, 2023 at 4:00 p.m. EST.

Should you have any questions about the James Beachell Award or about the essay contest, please contact XXXXX@melancthontownship.ca



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Heritage Advisory Committee

Heritage Advisory Committee Student Volunteer Position

Melancthon Township's Heritage Advisory Committee is seeking Student Volunteers to assist with various projects and initiatives. This opportunity is open to Grade 11 & 12 Students enrolled at Centre Dufferin District High School and could be used towards their Community Service Hours. The successful candidates would be responsible for the following:

- Commit to a Minimum of 10 Hours
- Report to the Chair or Vice Chair
- Assist With Research as Directed
- Attend Monthly Committee Meetings as Required
- Assist with Administrative Duties as Assigned
- Document Duties & Tasks Completed

*Students will be responsible for keeping track of their own hours for sign off

Students interested in this opportunity can reach out to _____