

CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MELANCTHON

MINUTES OF THE HERITAGE ADVISORY COMMITTEE- OCTOBER 8, 2025

The Township of Melancthon heritage Advisory committee held an electronic meeting on October 8, 2025 at 6:30 pm. The following members were present: Chair Kristine Pedicone, Members Todd McIntosh, James Mclean, Dennis Scace and David Thwaites.

1. **Call to Order-** Chair Pedicone called the meeting to order and confirmed that the meeting was being recorded and would be posted to the Township website.
 2. **Land Acknowledgement-** Chair Pedicone shared the Land Acknowledgement Statement.
 3. **Agenda-**Moved by James Mclean, seconded by Todd McIntosh, be it resolved that the Agenda be approved as circulated. Carried.
 4. **Minutes of September 8, 2025-** Moved by James Mclean, seconded by Todd McIntosh, be it resolved that the Minutes of the Heritage Advisory Committee meeting held on September 8, 2025 be approved as circulated. Carried.
 5. **Business Arising from the Minutes-** none
 6. **Declaration of pecuniary interest or conflict of Interest –** none
 7. **General Business-** none
 - (1) **New/other/Addition-**none
 - (2) **Unfinished Business**
1. **Township website- Heritage-** Member Thwaites reported that the Heritage “Tab” on the Township website is almost ready to post subject to direction from the Township web advisor. He will advise when he received notice that it is up and running.
 2. **One room Schoolhouse project update-** Members Mclean and McIntosh provided an update. Editing is ongoing of the materials but it is proposed that the Project be posted/published in parts, four schools at a time, to the Township website. With each posting the Committee would take the opportunity to post an update of the posting for the information of Melancthon residents. It is intended that the first posting will be provided to Township staff by mid-October.
 3. **School Photos-** Chair Pedicone confirmed that the School Photos have been hung at the Township Office. She has circulated a photo of the School photos as hung to all members of the Committee. She will inquire and obtain a “plaque’ to title the Collection. Approved.
 4. **Military War Veterans Project-** Member Thwaites reported that the project submission for those Melancthon Veterans who had paid the Ultimate Sacrifice in WW1 and WW2 is ready for posting to the Township website as soon as the Heritage “Tab” is in place. He reported that Township staff will be making some further directional assist to help persons reading the project but that such changes may not occur until into December, 2025. Member Thwaites reported further that he continues to work on the research for Melancthon WW1 veterans. He will keep the Committee apprised. Approved.
 5. **Cenotaph/memorial/posters-** Member Mclean confirmed tha the had previously

circulated to all members drafts of four proposed posters that shared the brief story of four war veterans from Melancthon. The Posters would be posted at the Remembrance Day service and otherwise hung in the Hornings Mills Hall. It is further proposed that each year four more posters would be added to the Collection using the stories compiled in the Ultimate Sacrifice project as the source. He reported that the cost of each poster would be approximately \$75-80. The money is in the budget for 2025.

Approved. Member Mclean reported with reference to the Cenotaph/memorial Project discussed at the previous heritage Committee meeting that the Melancthon Parks Board will be considering the heritage Committee request. Update to be provided.

6. **Future projects-** As a followup to the discussions at the previous heritage meeting there was further discussion about two possible projects. Member Thwaites reported on some preliminary information on a project that would share the stories of the Reeves who served Melancthon from 1853, there being over 43. Chair Pedicone shared the interest in telling the story of “headwaters” in Melancthon. She and Member Burke will seek out further information and resource material that would be used in this project. Further discussion to be had at the next meeting.
7. **2026 Budget-** Chair Pedicone shared the need to submit the Committee budget request for 2026. There was discussion on the budget which would include the Bursary (\$500), the Posters (\$400) together with an unknown addressing the possible Cenotaph project. It was resolved that the Budget request would be the same as 2025 namely \$2,500.

8 **Recommendations to Council** – The 2026 Budget request of the Heritage Committee is \$2,500.

9 **Public Question period-** none

10 **Confirmation Motion** – Moved by Member Scace, seconded by Member Mclean be it resolved that all actions of the member and officers of the Heritage Advisory Committee with respect to every matter addressed and or adopted by the Board on the above date be hereby adopted, ratified and confirmed; and each motion, resolution and other actions taken by the Board members and officers at the meeting held on the above date are hereby adopted, ratified and confirmed. Carried.

11 **Adjournment-** Moved by Member McIntosh, seconded by Member Scace that the Meeting be adjourned to the next meeting scheduled for November 10, 2025 at 6:30 pm. Carried. Meeting concluded at 7:05 pm