

**HERITAGE ADVISORY COMMITTEE
ELECTRONIC MEETING
TUESDAY OCTOBER 6, 2026, AT 7:00 P.M.**

AGENDA

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Meeting ID:

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1. APPOINTMENT/ELECTION OF CHAIR

2. Call to Order by Chair - Welcome to all in Attendance

3. Land Acknowledgement We would like to begin by acknowledging that Melancthon Township recognizes the ancestral lands and treaty territories of the Tionontati (Petun/Wyandot(te)), Haudenosaunee (Six Nations), and Anishinaabe Peoples. The Township of Melancthon resides within the lands named under the Haldimand Deed of 1784 and the Lake Simcoe-Nottawasaga Treaty (Treaty 18). These territories upon which we live and learn, are steeped in rich Indigenous history and traditions. It is with this statement that we declare to honour and respect the past and present connection of Indigenous peoples with this land, its waterways, and resources.

4. Additions/Deletions/Approval of Agenda

Moved by _____ Seconded by _____ be it resolved that the agenda be approved as _____. CARRIED

5. Approval of Draft Minutes – March 9, 2026

Moved by _____ Seconded by _____ be it resolved that the minutes of the Heritage Advisory Committee meeting held on January 12, 2026 be approved as _____. CARRIED

6. Business Arising from the Minutes

7. Declaration of Pecuniary Interest or Conflict of Interest

8. General Business

1) New/Other/Addition

1. Committee members – addition of Laura and George, departure of David
 2. Future of James Beachell Award
 3. Remembrance Day
 4. Heritage grants
 5. Future of the Heritage Committee
- 2) Unfinished Business:
9. Recommendations to Council
 10. Public Question Period
 11. Confirmation Motion
- Moved by _____ Seconded by _____ be it resolved that all actions of the Members 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.
12. Adjournment/Date of Next Meeting

MINUTES OF THE HERITAGE ADVISORY COMMITTEE- March 16, 2026

The Township of Melancthon heritage Advisory committee held an electronic meeting on March 16, 2026 at 6:30 pm. The following members were present: Members James Mclean, Janet Burke and David Thwaites.

1. Call to Order- Chair McLean called the meeting to order at 6:44 pm and confirmed that the meeting was being recorded and would be posted to the Township website.
2. Land Acknowledgement- Chair McLean shared the Land Acknowledgement Statement.
3. Agenda-Moved by David Thwaites, seconded by Janet Burke, be it resolved that the Agenda be approved as circulated, as amended. Carried.
4. Minutes of November 17, 2025- Moved by James McLean, seconded by David Thwaites, be it resolved that the Minutes of the Heritage Advisory Committee meeting held on January 12, 2026 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
8. New/other/Addition(s)
 - a. Resignation of Dennis Scace- The Committee received the resignation of Member Scace from the Committee and thanked him for his service on the Committee.
 - b. James Beachall Student Award- The Committee discussed the topics that might be addressed by Students submitting an essay application for consideration this spring for the Award. The topics would have a focus on Melancthon heritage including topics such as War Veterans, Melancthon Sports athletes of the past and the Melancthon Mega Quarry. Chair McLean will follow up a draft circular to the members and connect with the staff at CDSS.
 - c. One room Schoolhouse project update- Chair Mclean reported on the report from Member McIntosh that the final report^{9s0} for posting on the Township Heritage website would be submitted to the Township staff on March 18, 2026. Chair Mclean will follow up with Township staff, including having the 'announcement' posted on facebook once complete.

- d. Heritage Week- Member Thwaites reported on the postings that had been coordinated and completed by he and Member Burke with the assistance of Township staff in February.
- e. War Veteran's posters- Chair McLean updated the Committee. It is anticipated that the Posters will be completed and submitted to the printer before the end of March. Member Thwaites and Burke will assist Chair Mclean in the framing of the Posters.
- f. Water Project- there was discussion about the previously discussed Water Project by the Committee. Given the reduced size of the Committee and the limited timeline before October, 2026 it was decided that we would not proceed.

9. Recommendations to Council – None

10. Public Question period- none

11. Confirmation Motion – Moved by Member Thwaites, seconded by Member McLean be it resolved that all actions of the members 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.

12. Adjournment- Moved by Chair McLean, seconded by Member Burke that the Meeting be adjourned to the next meeting to be scheduled at the call of the Chair in late May/early June and the next meeting to be in September, 2026. Carried. Meeting concluded at approximately 7:15 pm