

The Corporation of the Town of Tillsonburg Museum, Culture, Heritage and Special Awards Advisory Committee AGENDA



Wednesday, February 19, 2025

4:30 PM

Boardroom CSC

10 Lisgar Ave.

1. Call to Order

2. Adoption of Agenda

Moved By: _____

Seconded By: _____

THAT the agenda as prepared for the Museum, Culture, Heritage and Special Awards Advisory Committee meeting of February 19, 2025, be approved.

3. Disclosures of Pecuniary Interest and the General Nature Thereof

4. Adoption of Minutes of Previous Meeting

Moved By: _____

Seconded By: _____

THAT the January 15, 2025 Museum, Culture, Heritage and Special Awards Advisory Committee meeting minutes be approved.

5. Presentations

6. General Business & Reports

6.1 Citizen of the Year

6.2 Spring Volunteer Achievement Award

6.3 Update to Cultural Grant Processes

6.4 Founder's Day Event Subcommittee

6.5 Museum Report - Annandale 200th Celebrations

Moved By: _____

Seconded By: _____

THAT the Museum, Culture, Heritage and Special Awards Advisory Committee receive the Museum Report as information.

7. Next Meeting

8. Adjournment

Moved By: _____

Seconded By: _____

THAT the meeting be adjourned at ____ p.m.

**The Corporation of the Town of Tillsonburg
Museum, Culture, Heritage and Special Awards
Advisory Committee**



MINUTES

Wednesday, January 15, 2025
4:30 PM
Boardroom CSC
10 Lisgar Ave.

ATTENDANCE: Carrie Lewis, Chair
Lindsay Munroe
Doug Cooper
Joan Weston
Tabitha Verbuyst
Kelly Spencer, Councillor
Deb Gilvesy, Mayor

Regrets: Isaac Card
Courtney Booth
Rosemary Dean

Staff: Andrea Greenway, Director of Recreation, Culture and Parks
Duncan Bryce, Records and Legislative Coordinator

1. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 4:30 p.m.

Staff noted Committee Member Amie Varga submitted their resignation. The Committee thanked Amie for her time served and wished her luck going forward.

2. Adoption of Agenda

Resolution # 1**Moved By:** Joan Weston**Seconded By:** Lindsay Munroe

THAT the agenda as prepared for the Museum, Culture, Heritage and Special Awards Advisory Committee meeting of January 15, 2025 be approved.

Carried**3. Disclosures of Pecuniary Interest and the General Nature Thereof**

There were no disclosures of pecuniary interest.

4. Adoption of Minutes of Previous Meeting**Resolution # 2****Moved By:** Joan Weston**Seconded By:** Kelly Spencer, Councillor

THAT the minutes of the Museum, Culture, Heritage and Special Awards Advisory Committee meeting of November 20, 2024, be approved.

Carried**5. Presentations****6. General Business & Reports****6.1 200th Anniversary Subcommittee**

Chair Lewis recommended that the Committee consider the creation of a Founder's Day Event Subcommittee.

The formation of a subcommittee was discussed and the following resolution was passed.

Resolution # 3**Moved By:** Joan Weston**Seconded By:** Kelly Spencer, Councillor

A. THAT the Museum, Culture, Heritage and Special Awards Advisory Committee establish a Founder's Day Subcommittee with a mandate to advise and make recommendations to the MCHSA Advisory Committee

with respect to the Founder's Day event to be held on the 18th of October, 2025; and

B. THAT the Founder's Day Subcommittee be comprised of committee members, Joan Weston, Doug Cooper, and Carrie Lewis; and

C. THAT the Founder's Day Subcommittee be dissolved on October 18, 2025 following completion of the subcommittee's mandate; and

D. THAT the Committee recommends to Council that Staff begin the recruitment process for additional members for Founder's Day Subcommittee; and

E. THAT the Committee recommends to Council that staff send out Joan's letter of awareness to the public.

Carried

6.2 Station Arts Centre Report

Committee Member Tabitha Verbuyst provided an overview of the Station Arts Centre Report.

Resolution # 4

Moved By: Kelly Spencer, Councillor

Seconded By: Doug Cooper

THAT the Museum, Culture, Heritage and Special Awards Advisory Committee receive the attached Station Arts Centre Report as information.

Carried

6.3 Museum Report

Andrea Greenway, Director of Recreation, Culture, and Parks, provided an overview of the Museum Report.

Resolution # 5

Moved By: Joan Weston

Seconded By: Lindsay Munroe

THAT the Museum, Culture, Heritage and Special Awards Advisory Committee receive the attached Museum Report as information.

Carried

6.4 Update on Cultural Grant Process

Staff to follow up with further clarification.

7. Next Meeting

8. Adjournment

Resolution # 6

Moved By: Doug Cooper

Seconded By: Kelly Spencer, Councillor

THAT the Museum, Culture, Heritage and Special Awards Advisory Committee meeting of January 15, 2025 be adjourned at 5:16 p.m.

Carried

Annandale NHS's Celebrates 200th Anniversary of Tillsonburg

EXHIBITIONS:

“Tillsonburg 1825”

Date: June 14th to September 28th

An exhibition celebration early in Tillsonburg in honour of Tillsonburg's 200th anniversary.

Opening: June 14th at 10 a.m. (TurtleFest)

“A Pioneer Christmas”

Date: Fri. Nov. 22nd, 2025 to Sun. Jan. 6th 2026

An exhibition highlighting how Tillsonburg's Pioneers celebrated Christmas.

Opening: Friday, November 28th (Christmas Open House)

SPECIAL EVENTS:

“Tillsonburg Pioneer Graveyard Tour”

Date: Thursday, October 25th, 2024, or Saturday, October 27th, 2024

Time: 1 p.m.

Cost: By Donation

Location: Pioneer Graveyard (13 Cedar St)

LUNCH & LEARN LECTURE SERIES

“In the Words of Dr. Cooper: Excerpts from his Essays”

Presented By Kathleen Watkin

Dates: Thursday, February 27th or Friday, February 28th

“Nancy Barker Tillson: Tillsonburg's First Lady”

Presented by Laurel Beechey

Dates: Thursday, March 27th or Friday, March 28th

“Benjamin VanNorman: Co-Founder of Tillsonburg?”

Presented by Patricia Phelps

Dates: Thursday, April 26th or Friday, April 27th

“All Roads Lead to Tillsonburg”

Presented by Joan Weston.

Dates: Thursday, May 22nd or Friday, May 23th

TEAS:

Founder's Tea

Date: Thursday, October 16th

Time: 1:30 p.m.

Cost: \$30 (taxes included)

Come and celebrate the founding of Tillsonburg with tea and fall goodies. Then make a Pioneer Craft (TBD) **Preregistration is required.**

200th ANNIVERSARY TALKS AND WORKSHOPS

Makers' Workshop: Pottery Workshop

Date: Saturday, January 15th,

Time: 1:30 p.m. to 3:30 p.m.

Cost: \$30.00

Come Potter Penni Stoddart learn how to pottery and make your own Pinch Pot Pottery Creatures.

Makers' Workshop: Rug Punching Workshop

Date: Wednesday, February 5th

Time: 1:00 p.m. (approx. 4 hours)

Cost: \$40.00 (taxes included)

Come and join the artist Heather Cork and learn to punch your own rug. **All materials and supplies are provided. Preregistration is required.**

Makers' Workshop: Spring Bouquet Wool Flowers Workshop

Date: Wednesday, April 9th

Time: 1:30 p.m. (approx. 4 hours)

Cost: \$25.00 (taxes included)

Want your spring flowers to last forever? Learn to make your own wool flower bouquet with artist Heather Cork. **All materials and supplies are provided. Preregistration is required.**

Makers' Workshop: Rug Hooking with the Oxford Hooking Club

Date: Saturday, April 26th

Time: 10:00 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. (with 30mins for Lunch)

Cost: \$50.00 (taxes included)

Have you ever wanted to learn how to make your own rug? Now is your chance! Come and learn how to rug hook with Sandra Thornton, of the Oxford Hooking Club. **All materials and supplies are provided. Preregistration is required.**

Makers' Workshop: Soap Making

Date: Wednesday, September 24th

Time: 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.

Cost: \$50.00 (taxes included)

Every wonder how soap is made? Learn all the science and historical perspectives of how soap is made. Then make 2 bars of soap of your own to take home! **All materials and supplies are provided. Preregistration is required.**

Makers' Workshop: Wood Working

Date: September 6th and 13th, 2025

Time: 1 p.m.

Cost: \$70.00 (taxes included) for both sessions.

Join Local Woodworking with Brett Schultz

Discover the art of woodworking in this hands-on course led by Brett Schultz!

- Week One: Learn the basics of shaping wood and create your first project. Choose from designs such as an apple, block, boot, or dog.
- Week Two: Refine your creation and add a personal touch with paint.

Registration Includes:

- A kit with materials for three projects
- A carving knife
- A pamphlet with step-by-step instructions
- Membership to Tri-County Woodcarvers
- Insurance coverage
- 10% off at Chipping Away in Waterloo

Pre-registration is required. Don't miss this opportunity to learn a timeless skill while creating something unique!

Makers' Workshop: First Nations Cooking

Date: Wednesday, October 8th

Time: 1:30 p.m. to 3:30 p.m.

Cost: TBD (taxes included)

Makers' Workshop: Candle Making

Date: Wednesday, October 22nd

Time: 6:30 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.

Cost: \$35.00 (taxes included) (Plus \$50 for gas)

Come and join Sue Griffiths from Stone Home Creatives and learn to make your own We will stick to tapers and votives candles. **All materials and supplies are provided. Preregistration is required.**

Makers' Workshop: Pioneer Christmas Ornaments

Date: Wednesday, November 12th

Time: 1:30 p.m. to 3:30 p.m.

Cost: TBD (taxes included)

Join Program Coordinator, Kathleen Watkin in making your own Pioneer Inspired Christmas Ornament. **All materials and supplies are provided. Preregistration is required.**

Museum Summer Camp 2025

Homestead: Annandale Camp

Monday, July 21st through Friday, July 25th from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

Come and learn all about what it was like to live in Tillsonburg 200 years ago, through games, crafts and engaging activities.

Open to children aged 7 to 12.

Cost \$40.50 per day or \$162.70 per week