

Addendum to Report CCR-PCD-27-14

To: Chair Wright and Members of the Planning and Community Development Committee
From: Sharon Vokes
Meeting Date: April 21, 2015
Subject: **Signage in Historical Communities**
Status: Recommendation adopted by Committee as presented per Resolution PCD63-15; Endorsed by County Council as presented May 5, 2015 per Resolution CC72-15;

Recommendation(s)

WHEREAS Grey County Council endorsed criteria for establishing signage for historical communities at its November 4, 2014 session of Council;

AND WHEREAS as requested by County Council the member municipalities have been requested to review and provide input into the historical communities identified in the report to ensure accuracy and that a report then be submitted to the Committee with the recommended sign names;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT Addendum to Report CCR-PCD-27-14 be received and that signage is hereby approved for historical communities as outlined in the report.

Background

In 2014 the County continued its path of reinforcing its new brand through the refresh of road signage. This included protocols for signage on county roads for entry to the County, municipal boundaries, community signage and route markers. For the most part this signage was completed in 2014. There are still some old route markers in need of replacement and this is on the work plan of the Transportation Services Department for 2015.

Included in the 2015 budget is funding for consulting to determine way finding and tourism signage. The RFP went out early in the year and the contract has been awarded to Peter J. Smith & Company Inc. Recommendations will be brought forward once this work has been completed.

The final component of the signage strategy relates to the recognition of historical communities. Report [CCR-PCD-27-14 Historical Community Signage Recommendation](#) was presented to the October 16, 2014 Committee meeting and the following recommendation was endorsed by Council on November 4, 2014:

WHEREAS at the March 18, 2014 meeting of the Planning and Community Development Committee staff was directed to develop recommendations for the implementation of historic community signage on county owned roads;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT Report CCR-PCD-27-14 regarding recommendations for historic community signage be received and the recommendations contained within the report be endorsed;

AND THAT the Transportation Services' staff include the historic community signage criteria in its development of a comprehensive road signage policy;

AND FURTHER THAT the historic community signs identified in Report CCR-PCD-27-14 be purchased in 2014 and funded from the One Time Reserve;

AND FURTHER THAT the 2015 Transportation Services budget include funding to erect the signs in 2015;

AND FURTHER THAT county staff circulate the research information to municipalities seeking any additional relevant information prior to finalizing the sign script and bring back a report with the recommended historic sign names;

AND FURTHER THAT County Council encourages its member municipalities to consider implementing the same criteria for historic community signage on local roads.

As requested by Council, the report and research information was circulated to the member municipalities and all responses have now been received. Based on input from the member municipalities, the following changes have been incorporated into the list of historical communities that will receive signage:

- Georgian Bluffs - Clarification that name to be used is Mennonite Corner not Squires Corner
- Meaford - Remove Hoath Head (not located on County Road)
- West Grey - Add Bieman's Corner, Campbells Corner and Moltke

The complete listing of historical communities meeting the criteria is as follows:

Municipality	Historical Communities
Chatsworth	Marmion Peabody Scone
Georgian Bluffs	Alvanley Ben Allen Jackson Shouldice Mennonite Corner Wolseley Zion
Grey Highlands	Blantyre Buckingham Cheeseville Epping Fairmount Goring Maple Valley Rob Roy Rock Mills Temple Hill Vandeleur
Meaford	Bethesda Bothwell's Corner Griesville Scotch Mountain
Southgate	Conn
The Blue Mountains	Banks Millcreek and Union Kolapore Sandhill Victoria Corner
West Grey	Barhead Bieman's Corner Bunessan Campbell's Corners Lamlash Louise Moltke Nenagh Ebenezer Waudby

Financial / Staffing / Legal / Information Technology Considerations

The cost estimate for this project is approximately \$45,000 with the funding approved by Council in 2014 for the signs to be funded by the One Time Reserve and installation costs covered by the Transportation Services budget.

There are no legal or Information Technology considerations related to this report.

The Transportation Services' Department has built into its work plan for 2015 the installation of these signs along with completion of new route markers where necessary.

The support of the Archives' staff and volunteers is gratefully acknowledged for their work in completing the necessary research to identify and confirm the historical communities.

Link to Strategic Goals / Priorities

The implementation of an historic signage program supports Goal 3.3 of championing arts, culture and heritage initiatives.

Attachments

[Historic Community Signage Research Table - County Roads Only - Revised](#)

Respectfully submitted by,

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