

**MINDEMOYA OLD SCHOOL REPURPOSING COMMITTEE  
JANUARY 9, 2017  
CENTRAL MANITOULIN COUNCIL CHAMBERS**

**MINUTES**

**Attendance:** Councillor Alex Baran, Sam Bondi, Councillor Linda Farquhar, Hal Love, Mayor Richard Stephens, Chairperson Ted Williamson, and Economic Development Officer Nancy Kinoshameg, and one member of the press. Regrets: Janice McQuay, Joanne Smith.

Meeting called to order at 1:05 p.m.

**MOTION: Love and Bondi**

That the agenda be approved as presented...carried.

There were no declarations of pecuniary interest.

**MOTION: Farquhar and Bondi**

To approve the minutes of December 12, 2017...carried.

Several follow up reports were provided:

Member of Provincial Parliament Michael Mantha	His first question was 'what are you going to do with the building?' Once you know then he is willing to approach ministries for funding. A letter from Council stating the committee is in charge of what will happen to the building would also help.
Member of Parliament Carol Hughes	She also had the same question as MPP Mantha, 'what are you going to do with the building?' She has just today sent an email with possible funding sources. She was also concerned about the accessibility ramp and its approval for use.
Providence Bay Seniors Group	They have a strong paid membership of 61 members and it is very active with 40-45 members out at each function. The President will approach membership about their thoughts on a seniors center in Mindemoya.
Mindemoya Seniors Group	They meet next week and will be asked their thoughts on a seniors center in Mindemoya.

The email from Janice McQuay was read by the Chairperson in her absence and items she brought forward for consideration were discussed.

The accessibility to each floor of the building was discussed. The rest of the discussion focused on seniors and the need to have a space dedicated for use.

**MOTION: Farquhar and Love**

To proceed with the repurposing of the Old School Building with a focus on the needs and wants of the senior's community...carried.

Hal is to contact Andrea Tann about possible pro bono design help. Ted will contact the School of Architecture in Sudbury if this building could be used in a student project. Nancy has been asked to find out more information from the Ministry of Seniors Affairs. Linda will contact the Mindemoya Seniors Club. Hal will also contact LAMBAC about presenting at the next meeting along with provincial and federal representatives and any possible funding for a feasibility study.

The next meeting will be held on **Tuesday January 30, 2018 at 10:00 a.m.** in the Mindemoya Community Hall.

The meeting was adjourned at 2:15 p.m. on a **motion by Hal Love.**