Regional Municipality of Waterloo
Waterloo Regional Heritage Foundation
Board Agenda

Tuesday, October 27, 2026
5:30 p.m.
Waterloo County Room/Electronic

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Pages

1. **Call to Order**
2. **Land Acknowledgement**
3. **Election of Foundation Chair and Vice-Chair**
   The Foundation will be electing the next Chair and Vice-Chair for a term ending in June 2027.
4. **Declarations of Conflict of Interest**
5. **Finance Reports**
   - 5.1 **Account and Grants Summary**
     - 5.1.1 June-August 2026 — 3
       For information.
     - 5.1.2 September 2026 — 5
       For information.
6. **Delegations**
   None.
7. **Approval of Minutes - June 23, 2026** — 7

   Recommended Motion:
   That the minutes of Waterloo Regional Heritage Foundation from June 23, 2026 be approved.
8. **Committees**
   - 8.1 **Allocations and Finance**
     The Foundation is to consider the Allocations and Finance Committee grant recommendations and determine the next grant application intake window.
   - 8.2 **Heritage Advisory and Communications**
     The Foundation is to consider holding future meetings, including but not limited to, the Annual General Meeting, at offsite Heritage locations in the

Region.

8.3 Strategic Planning

None.

9. Information/Correspondence

None.

10. Other Business

10.1 Foundation Vacancy

The Foundation is to consider advertising for the appointment of one (1) new Foundation Director to fill a current vacancy.

10.2 Award Recognition

Re: Sally Thorsen Award of Excellence

11. Next Meeting - November 24, 2026

12. Adjourn

Recommended Motion:

That the meeting adjourn at x:xx x.m.

WATERLOO REGIONAL HERITAGE FOUNDATION
June-Aug 2026

Date	Payee/Donor	Description		Amount
16 Jun	BADEN COFFEE COMPANY	catering - WRHF AGM June 10, 2026	$	396.86
22 Jun	WATERLOO HISTORICAL SOCIETY	Grant	$	10,200.00
26 Jun	DEXTERRA FOOD SERVICES LP	D / M - Catering - May 26 WRHF	$	125.63
30 Jun	MICHAELS	Misc.	$	115.20
18 Jun	CMS Printshop	WRHF 2026 Award - Aaron Francis Award of Excellence	$	25.46
18 Jun	CMS Printshop	WRHF Sally Thorsen Award of Excellence Geoffrey Hayes	$	25.46
18 Jun	CMS Printshop	WRHF Dr. Jean Steckle Award Karen VandenBrink	$	25.46
16 Jul	DEXTERRA FOOD SERVICES LP	D / M - Catering - June 23 WRHF	$	157.66
			$	11,071.73

WATERLOO REGIONAL HERITAGE FOUNDATION
Net Funding Position

Balance in Operating Account as at August 31, 2026	$	147,758.56
Net Funding Position as at August 31, 2026	**$**	**147,758.56**

WATERLOO REGIONAL HERITAGE FOUNDATION
Grant Summary Statement
June-Aug 2026

Grants Approved and Paid

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2025-10-31	Rhythm & Blues Cambridge for the Emancipation Day Celebration	$ 10,500.00
2025-10-29	Stephen Young for the Dickson & Bruce History meets Mystery film series	$ 5,160.00
2025-12-31	the Hearts Open for Everyone (H.O.P.E.) for the 3rd Annual Multicultural Festival of Elmira (MFE) event	$ 27,200.00
2025-12-31	Juanita Metzger on behalf of Stroll Walking Tours to develop three new walking tours based on significant women's history in the Region of Waterloo	$ 7,627.50
	Subtotal	**$ 50,487.50**

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2026-03-12	Peggy Plet to explore and document the lives and experiences of Black domestic workers in the Region of Waterloo	$ 4,351.93
2026-03-18	Muslim Social Services Waterloo Region for the Arabic Calligraphy Program	$ 5,820.00
2026-06-22	Waterloo Historical Society for the publication of the Annual Volume 112 - 2024	$ 10,200.00
	Subtotal	**$ 21,539.93**

Total Grants Paid **$ 72,027.43**

WATERLOO REGIONAL HERITAGE FOUNDATION
September 2026

Date	Payee/Donor	Description	Amount
			$ 0

WATERLOO REGIONAL HERITAGE FOUNDATION
Net Funding Position

Balance in Operating Account as at September 30, 2026	$ 148,118.45
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Present:	E. Dyck, P. Elsworthy, J. Glass, K. Redman, N. Salonen, S. Sharma, K. Twomey, H. Peller-Oliver, P. Wolf
Absent:	N. Baskanderi, K. Costello, R. Shipley, T. Falconer,

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1. Call to Order

L. Mewhiney, Foundation Secretary, called the meeting to order at 5:59 p.m.

2. Land Acknowledgement

L. Mewhiney provided a land acknowledgement.

3. Regional Appointment Ratification and Introductions

All Directors provided a brief introduction of themselves.

4. Election of Foundation Chair and Vice-Chair

The Foundation opted to defer the selection of Chair and Vice-Chair until the September 22 meeting, when most or all Directors will be in attendance.

Moved by J. Glass
Seconded by P. Elsworthy

That the nominations for Chair and Vice-Chair be deferred to the Foundation's September 22 meeting.

Carried

5. Declarations of Conflict of Interest

None declared.

6. Finance Reports

6.1 Accounts and Grants Summary

In response to the Foundation, L. Mewhiney confirmed that the Waterloo Historical Society grant is not reflected in the June Accounts and Grants Summary but will be reflected in the next Summary.

Received for information.

7. Delegations

None.

8. Approval of Minutes - May 26, 2026

Moved by P. Elsworthy
Seconded by H. Peller-Oliver

That the minutes of Waterloo Regional Heritage Foundation from May 26, 2026 be approved.

Carried

9. Committees

L. Mewhiney provided a brief overview and description of each of the Committees. The Foundation determined that volunteers for each Committee will be arranged via email.

9.1 Allocations and Finance

L. Mewhiney confirmed that 11 grant applications have been received to date.

10. Information/Correspondence

10.1 Maryhill Historical Society Newsletter

Received for information.

11. Other Business

The Foundation expressed gratitude for Castle Kilbride's hospitality in hosting the Foundation's Annual General Meeting and suggested that occasional future meetings be held offsite at other local heritage locations.

12. Next Meeting - September 22, 2026

The next meeting of the Waterloo Regional Heritage Foundation is on September 22, 2026.

13. Adjourn

Moved by H. Peller-Oliver
Seconded by P. Elsworthy

That the meeting adjourn at 6:16 p.m.

Carried

Committee Clerk

Committee Chair