



## Municipal Heritage Committee Report

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**Report Number:** KLMHC2025-049  
**Meeting Date:** July 3, 2025  
**Title:** Osprey Heritage Awards  
**Description:** Discussion regarding Osprey Heritage Awards Planning  
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**Recommendations:**

**That** Report KLMHC2025-049, **Osprey Heritage Awards**, be received; and

**That** staff bring a report back to the Committee in September 2025 to begin planning the award ceremony event.

**Department Head:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Financial/Legal/HR/Other:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Chief Administrative Officer:** \_\_\_\_\_

## **Background:**

The Osprey Heritage Awards were developed in 2018 to recognize members of the community who have had a positive influence on heritage preservation throughout Kawartha Lakes. Community members and businesses could be nominated for a variety of categories and the awards were presented at a ceremony in November. The intention of this event was to raise awareness regarding heritage preservation and provide recognition from the City for community members making a positive contribution.

The original program parameters for the awards were to hold them on a bi-annual basis, but outreach events were paused for several years due to the COVID-19 pandemic. In 2023, it was decided to hold the Osprey Heritage Awards on a bi-annual basis, alternating every other year with Doors Open. This decision was made in order to make the best use of the budget available to the Committee for outreach events and to focus the organizing capabilities of the Committee and staff on one large outreach event each year. The Osprey Heritage Awards were held in 2023 and Doors Open was held in 2024. In 2025, the scheduled event is once again the Osprey Heritage Awards. At its meeting of January 9, 2025, the Municipal Heritage Committee passed a resolution to undertake the awards again this year.

This report is intended to summarize the Committee's discussion regarding the awards from their previous meeting and to advance the planning of the awards for 2025.

## **Rationale:**

At its meeting of June 5, 2025, the Committee discussed the following aspects of the awards:

- The Committee reviewed and provided comments on the marketing materials developed by staff for the Osprey Awards. The marketing material has now been finalized and the print material has been printed and received by staff.

Currently, advertising for the awards has gone out and a press release been issued. The nomination form is live on the City's website and nominations can be received until September 15. Additional print materials, including postcards and posters, need to be distributed throughout the City by Committee members and City staff. Committee members should coordinate where those print materials are going to go to avoid duplication.

At the present time, there are no additional planning activities that need to take place until early fall when the Committee will need to start planning the awards luncheon. Staff are planning to bring a report forward at that time to provide background information for the Committee to plan this event.

**Other Alternatives Considered:**

There are no recommended alternatives.

**Financial/Operation Impacts:**

There are no financial or operational impacts as a result of the recommendations of this report.

**Consultations:**

N/A

**Attachments:**

N/A

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