Brockton Heritage and Library Committee Minutes

Monday, June 3, 2019

Location: Brockton Municipal Office (100 Scott Street, Walkerton) **Time:** 4:30 p.m.

Attendance: (Quorum: 11/12) Darlene Bohnert, Committee Member Present Lynda Breig, Committee Member Present Ted Cobean, Chair Present Fiona Hamilton, Clerk and Committee Secretary (Non-Voting) Present Barb Kerry, Committee Member Present Denise Lagundzin, Committee Member Absent Dean Leifso, Councillor Present Ron McKinnon, Committee Member Present Alishia Oberle, Committee Member Present Joe Reichenbach, Committee Member Present Tanya Tilson, Committee Member Present Frank Weiler, Committee Member Present Murray Wells, Committee Member Present Tracey Knapp, Librarian (Non-Voting) Present

1. Call to Order

Chair Ted Cobean called the meeting to order at 4:30 p.m.

2. Acceptance of Agenda

Items were added to the agenda under New Business.

Motion: Moved by Barb Kerry Seconded by Dean Leifso

That the amended agenda from the June 3, 2019 Brockton Heritage Committee meeting be approved.

Carried.

3. Disclosure of Pecuniary Interest and the General Nature Thereof

None.

4. Delegations

None.

5. Approval of Minutes

Motion: Moved by Darlene Bohnert Seconded by Ron McKinnon

That the minutes of the May 6, 2019 meeting of the Brockton Heritage Committee be approved.

Carried.

6. Business Arising From the Minutes

None.

7. Correspondence

7.1 National Trust Canada Newsletter

The Chair emailed out the current newsletter to the committee members.

8. Financial Reports

8.1 May 1-31, 2019

The committee commented that the Juried Art Show is spending the majority of the Heritage funds at the moment.

9. Walkerton/Cargill Library Report – Tracey Knapp

Circulation increased in Walkerton Library Branch, and circulation at the Cargill Library Branch is fairly consistent throughout the month of May 2019.

The library had a visit from St. Teresa of Calcutta Catholic School. Students received library cards and borrowed books from the library. The students will return for at least two more visits before the end of the school year.

A beginners sewing class has started on Thursdays after school to help students learn the basics of hand-sewing.

There is a survey being distributed about the book mobile service, and the library is looking towards utilizing this service.

A Fraud Awareness for Seniors' Presentation is being held on June 13, 2019 at the Walkerton Library. Fifteen people are required to register in order to hold the presentation.

9.1 Juried Art Show

The Juried Art Show was a success. There were a restricted number of works entered by a person. There were lots of oil paintings this year, and large canvases. The Art Show presented well with the restrictions. The popular vote award was awarded to Pike Bay Fireworks.

10. Old Business/Ongoing Projects

10.1 Local History Books - Brockton Heritage Website

Books are welcomed to be added to the Brockton Heritage website.

10.2 Donation Brochure and Policy

The committee tabled this item until September 2019.

10.3 Walkerton Downtown Photo Murals

The committee can look to determine where the murals could be displayed. The committee will need to get working on this project in September 2019.

The committee discussed earmarking funds in the budget for this project. The Community Improvement Committee has included some funding in their budget for this project. The Walkerton BIA is currently storing the mural from Scotty's in storage.

The BIA will put the mural back up if there is a location to accommodate this mural.

The committee discussed using murals on the Walkerton Jail. The committee would need to inquire with the County of Bruce regarding this project.

The committee are to let Ted know if there are any possible spaces available for murals.

Barb discussed some nice old photos that could be used for murals. The committee discussed placing murals on the Walkerton Fire Hall; however the photos would need to be appropriate for that location (example: fire brigade or apparatus). The committee discussed utilizing the Fire Department archives for this project, and inquiring with Deputy Fire Chief, Glen Wilhelm and Fire Chief, Mike Murphy.

Action: Clerk, Fiona Hamilton will inquire with Fire Chief, Mike Murphy if the Fire Department has any appropriate fire archives or pictures that could be used to create a mural.

The committee will need to get an idea of the number of photos needed and the costs associated with this project, and will bring back this item in September 2019.

Currently, no one has been contacted regarding space availability for the murals. There is space on the Bell Telephne building, but the murals should be kept in the downtown Walkerton core. There may be space available on the Walkerton Building Supplies building. Joe Reichenbach may also have his building available.

The Scotty's mural must be recoated every year.

The committee may know by October 2019 in order to get an idea for the 2020 Budget.

Committee members are to contact the owners of the building to inquire if the owners are willing to display murals on their buildings.

10.4 Armoury Building

Heritage Designation of Armoury Building

The committee sent a letter to Council regarding the request to designate the Armoury Building. Clerk, Fiona Hamilton, explained that she is working on a Report to Council; however, the provincial legislation for the Ontario Heritage Act is being changed, so the report will not be presented to Council until after the legislation changes are in place. Once the report is sent to Council, Council can make a response to the committee's letter.

10.5 Projects for **2019**

No update

10.6 St. Thomas Anglican Church Roof Replacement

The committee approved the St. Thomas Anglican Church roof replacement. The church is using hy-grade roofing, and are looking for other contractors to complete the project. There has been difficulty in finding a contractor. It was noted that the roof will be replaced in a similar style.

10.7 Heritage Research Assistant – Summer Student

The summer student was interviewed on Friday, May 31, 2019. A second round of interviews will occur on Friday, June 7, 2019. Over 18 candidates applied. Some applications were from people that were not college or university students, and some applicants were above age 30. One applicant was from Mozambique. Most applicants were university students, and some have graduated.

The committee discussed some of the projects that the student will be working on. The committee also discussed the archive cataloguing process. The possible start date for the position is June 18, 2019.

11. New Business

11.1 Brockton Committee of Council Recognition Event

Lots of effort was put in to the event that was well-organized and had great food and socializing with Brockton's Committees of Council.

11.2 Letter to Walkerton BIA – Doors Open 2020

A letter was sent to the Walkerton BIA asking for their partnership for Doors Open 2020. This item will be brought forward to the next agenda.

11.3 Souvenir Book for Walkerton Homecoming 2021

Walkerton "150 Years" Homecoming is occurring on the July long weekend in 2021. The committee would like to make a souvenir book, and should start looking at the budget. It will likely take between one and a half to two years to complete. The committee has all of the heritage and homecoming newspapers dating back to 1961. Barb is the heritage consultant for the Walkerton Homecoming 2021 Committee. Matt Coleman is the committee chair. The committee are putting a steering committee together and are coordinating an event pamphlet booklet similar to the last homecoming. The committee are welcome to think up ideas for the book to coordinate.

11.4 Bill 108 Changes to the Ontario Heritage Act

Bill 108: More Homes More Choices Act, has impacted a number of Acts, including heritage appeals to the Local Planning Appeal Tribunal (LPAT). Many groups and municipalities are being affected by the Bill. Once the Bill has a third reading it will be declared in force within this month.

11.5 Clarence Kieffer Military Collection

Clarence Kieffer is not getting any help with his military artifact collection. He completed the initial organization, but this is becoming beyond his efforts. The Legion has not provided any comments about the collection. The collection is all being stored in Mr. Kieffer's house. The committee inquired where his collection will be kept. Last year was the 18th year of doing the Honour a Hero Exhibit at the Legion. The collection may be passed along to the military museum in Ottawa. The committee is unsure if Bruce County Museum and Archives has any available space for this collection.

12. Adjournment

Motion: Moved by Dean Leifso Seconded by Tanya Tilson That the Heritage Committee meeting be adjourned at 5:46 p.m. Carried.

Next Brockton Heritage Committee Meeting Date: Monday, September 9, 2019 at 4:30 p.m.

Location: Brockton Meeting Room, Municipal Office