Brockton Heritage and Library Committee Minutes

Monday, February 3, 2020

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

(Quorum: 10/12) Attendance: Darlene Bohnert, Committee Member Present Lynda Breig, Committee Member Present Ted Cobean, Chair Present Fiona Hamilton, Clerk and Committee Secretary (Non-Voting) Absent Sarah Johnson, Acting 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 Absent Tanya Tilson, Committee Member Present Frank Weiler, Committee Member Present Murray Wells, Committee Member Present Tracey Knapp, Librarian (Non-Voting) Absent

Guest

Doug Evans Present

1. Call to Order

Chair, Ted Cobean called the meeting to order at 4:30 p.m. Mr. Cobean welcomed guest, Doug Evans, and delegation, Rob Fischer to the meeting.

2. Acceptance of Agenda

Motion: Moved by Murray Wells Seconded by Alishia Oberle
That the agenda for the February 3, 2020 Brockton Heritage Committee meeting be approved
with the addition of Item 11.1 Heritage Inquiries.
Carried.

3. Disclosure of Pecuniary Interest and the General Nature Thereof

4. Delegations

4.1 Rob Fischer – Walkerton Baptist Church Proposed Renovations

Rob Fischer introduced himself to the Committee and reviewed his plans for renovating the Walkerton Baptist Church, including the replacement of the eaves trough, doors facing Jackson Street, interior renovations, upgraded electrical system, and vinyl frosting on the door windows facing Cayley Street. Mr. Fischer further discussed his future plans for the kitchen, chimney, and hand railing at the entranceways.

Mr. Fischer offered to return to the Committee to make a formal presentation of his plans for the building after he takes possession of the property.

The Committee voiced their appreciation and willingness to work with Mr. Fischer throughout the process. Chair Ted Cobean discussed the Brockton Heritage Loan available for heritage-designated buildings.

Mr. Fischer thanked the Committee for their time, and voiced his enthusiasm for the project.

Rob Fischer exited the meeting at 4:57 p.m.

5. Approval of Minutes

Darlene Bohnert noted that as she Chaired the meeting, she did not second the motion on Item 2. The Committee revised the minutes to state that Murray Wells seconded motion.

Motion: Moved by Alishia Oberle Seconded by Lynda Breig
That the revised minutes from the December 2, 2019 Brockton Heritage Committee meeting be approved.

Carried.

6. Business Arising From the Minutes

None.

7. Correspondence

7.1 Bruce County Historical Society Newsletter Submission

The Bruce County Historical Society requested that any historical news/events be emailed for inclusion in their newsletter. Chair Cobean suggested including Doors Open in the Newsletter.

7.2 Heritage Trust Canada Newsletter

Chair Cobean emailed the Newsletter to the Committee.

8. Financial Reports

- 8.1 December 1-31, 2019
- 8.2 January 1-31, 2020

8.3 2020 Heritage and Library Budgets

The Committee reviewed the revised 2020 Heritage and Library Budget.

The Heritage and Library Budgets were presented at the first budget meeting this morning (February 3, 2020). Brockton Council will hold two more Special Council Meetings to consider the 2020 Budget on February 4, 2020 and February 18, 2020.

9. Walkerton/Cargill Library Report – Tracey Knapp

Ms. Knapp was absent from the meeting. A library report was not provided.

9.1 Cargill Library Donation Plaque Update

Council approved including the cost of the Cargill Library Donation Plaque in the 2020 Fees and Charges By-Law on December 17, 2019. Staff requires confirmation from Librarian, Tracey Knapp of the name that should be displayed on plaque.

Action: Chair Cobean will follow-up with Librarian, Tracey Knapp.

9.2 Thank You Letter to Clarence Kieffer – Military Donations to Robert Sutherland Archives

Mr. Kieffer's donations are on display in the Robert Sutherland Archives at the Walkerton Library. Some donations will be taken to the Heritage Archive Room. Chair

Cobean and Librarian Tracey Knapp would like to advertise a Press Release about the donation.

The Committee discussed the importance of the military records that can be used for ancestry research at the library.

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

- By-Law 2020-003 Adopt Brockton Heritage Committee Donation Policy
- Revised Donation Brochure and Printing Quotations

Brockton Council passed By-Law 2020-003 adopting the Brockton Heritage Committee Donation Policy on January 14, 2020. The Committee asked that "yearbooks" be changed to "books", and discussed changing the photo of the church to an example of the type of donations they would prefer. Chair Cobean requested that Committee Members send any further changes to Alishia Oberle.

Alishia Oberle noted that the brochure was not consistent with Municipality of Brockton's branding and would need to be updated.

10.3 Walkerton Downtown Photo Murals

Letter to Potential Site Owners

Darlene Bohnert and Chair Cobean plan to contact business owners to inquire if they are interested in maintaining the murals.

Councillor Leifso provided an update regarding the February 3, 2020 Special Council Meeting on the 2020 Budget.

Action: Chair Cobean will email the letter to site owners to the Committee.

10.4 Armoury Building

Approval of Heritage Designation of Armoury Building

Brockton Council passed By-Law 2019-160 designating the Armoury Building a heritage designated building on December 17, 2019. Ontario Heritage Trust has been given a copy of the By-Law, and is registering the building. Staff have updated the Municipality's website to include the Armoury Building as a Heritage Designated property.

Action: Chair Cobean to update the Heritage Designation listing on the VITA Website.

10.5 Doors Open 2020

The Committee are waiting on insurance forms, but plan on printing the Doors Open 2020 booklet soon.

10.6 Souvenir Book for Walkerton Homecoming 2021

Barb Kerry, Lynda Breig, and Alishia Oberle volunteered to find photos for the souvenir book.

Action: Alishia Oberle to inquire on the amount of books that were previously printed.

10.7 Walkerton Baptist Church Sold Privately

This topic was previously discussed under Item 4.1

10.8 Heritage Plaques for Truax Dam and Bridge 11 Concession 20

The Committee discussed the plaques, and suggested negotiating with the Municipality as to who would pay for the plaques. Councillor Leifso suggested that the Committee develop a standard proposal for the design of the plaques and present it to Council.

Action: Chair Cobean will inquire with Cox Signs for quotations of the plaque.

11. New Business

11.1 Heritage Inquiries

Chair Cobean reported that there were three heritage inquiries in the past month regarding ancestry.

Mr. Evans thanked the Committee for inviting him to the meeting and voiced his eagerness to assist with Brockton heritage. The Committee thanked Mr. Evans for attending the meeting.

12. Adjournment

Motion: Moved by Alishia Oberle Seconded by Tanya Tilson That the Heritage Committee meeting be adjourned at 5:47 p.m. Carried.

Next Brockton Heritage Committee Meeting

Date: Monday, March 2, 2020 at 4:30 p.m. **Location:** Brockton Meeting Room, Municipal Office