Township of Woolwich Heritage Committee Minutes

Thursday July 23,2020 at 5pm outside at 1196 Rivers Edge Drive, West Montrose. Attendance: Bonnie Bryant, Hans Pottkamper, Laurie Breed, Terry Rohr, Marg Drexler

Disclosure of Pecuniary Interest-none

Peel Street Bridge

Ron Craig took a petition to the township regarding saving this bridge and was not supported by council. How can we help save this bridge as either a foot bridge for pedestrians or for use of buggies only. It is listed on the National Historical website and on the Regional list.

Plaques

We all thought that the plaque installation should not be put off any further. Terry made a motion that the plaques the committee has had made be installed ASAP, seconded by Laurie, carried. Terry volunteered to install, Hans volunteered to assist.

CHL Signage

Laurie is to find her write up and send to committee about what a CHL is and what the sign will say. It was decided to have one sign to explain a CHL and show boundaries. The first sign to be installed at Letson Park. Laurie made a motion to have it made and get Township staff's support to install, seconded by Terry, carried.

Other Business

How can we get the township to help this committee?

Our committee agreed that we should go to council to express a need for a council member to assist us in our actions for history preservation. We would also talk to the "Observer" in regards to this request. The committee made a motion for a council member to sit on the Heritage Committee which would help the committee receive the assistance needed from council when free funding programs become available to apply for projects and get our ideas heard. Hans moved to go to council and request representation from council to assist and guide the committee on its goals, Terry seconded, carried.

Hans made a motion to have an email regarding "that staff and council invest in applying for free money for infrastructure for historical sites including the Peel St. Bridge". Seconded by Laurie, carried. This email was to be sent to the mayor, council, and Raj.

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