

# **Pembroke Heritage Murals © since 1989**

May 3, 2023 City Hall, Lower Level Meeting Room at 4:00pm

Two guests from Community Support Group stopped by for photos ahead of the meeting: Debbie Lariviere and Cathy Baisley. The Group donated \$1,000 towards the cost of 'Peter White'.

Present: Pamela Dempsey, Jane Kielman, Dan Callaghan, Dennis Corrigan

Regrets: Councillor Ed Jacyno

Agenda: Motion by Dennis Approved

Minutes: April 5, 2023 by Jane Approved

Correspondence: \*circulated in advance, read only if necessary

## **Financial Report:**

April:

Petty Cash for supplies purchased by Pam: \$414.62

Note expenses to come detailed on April's monthly report.

Fundraising to date:

Community Support Group: Donation of \$1,000.00

Pembroke Petawawa Community Foundation Grant App: requested \$10,000 towards 'The Pioneers' restoration.

\*waiting for a reply

General Account: Approximately \$28,970.00 after paying Reiche's and Pam

Motion by Dan Approved

## **Business Arising:**

'The Pioneers of Pembroke Township 1820-1850'

We are very fortunate that Mike Devine is allowing PHM to use his property at 169 Lake St. to repair and paint this mural. PHM has access to a 40' x 60' area including utilities, a bathroom and kitchenette: Pam signed for two sets of keys. Mr. Devine will receive a charitable receipt in lieu of rent. Pam contacted the City's Treasurer earlier to ensure we knew what was required for this. Dean Burchart, Royal LePage, is Mr. Devine's agent for this property. As an independent agent, Mr. Burchart will provide a notice of monthly rental fee so the Treasurer can calculate the value of time PHM has used this property.

Timeline:

Panels lifted into 169 on April 24<sup>th</sup>. Karole Marois visited April 27<sup>th</sup> to look at the panels.

Walsh Bros have been booked to remove panels from 169 on June 30<sup>th</sup>

May: PHM Committee will repair, scrape & sand the panels

June: Karole will re-paint all thirty three panels. Ms. Marois is the original artist, she lives in Picton.

Karole Marois fee: \$8,000.00 Motion by Dan Approved

Dennis & Jane commented this is reasonable based on the amount of painting all thirty three panels. Several panels are in very poor condition due to water damage, much more than we originally thought.

Pam will book Ms. Marois into the Clarion Hotel for three weeks on her VISA: \$2,683.31

Meals & Travel: \$800.

Payment: Half at beginning of work, June 1<sup>st</sup>: \$4,400. Balance on completion of work June 29<sup>th</sup>: \$4,400

Jp2g: Drawings for the new structure located at the UOV Heritage Centre was received April 28<sup>th</sup> by PHM and Walsh Bros. Matt Walsh is now working on pricing this new structure. This structure will become Canada's longest free standing mural at 88 feet long.

UOV Heritage Centre: Pam advised Staff and Board not to order locates until either we or Matt Walsh ask.

#### General Information:

Karole suggested PHM repair areas of some panels using thinly sliced wood putting them inside the ½" sign board and some on the outside, back and front. Use exterior, waterproof glue and clamp in place, Also use exterior tape to stabilize some panels on the back. The front outside pieces will not show once painted.

As for flaking paint, we should scrape and sand but not aggressively. Karol will prime these areas before painting over them.

Committee discussed ideas and where to get the wood as described. It appears between us all we have what is needed. Pam gave each member a spool of coloured tape so they can label their clamps and other equipment that will be used for identification purposes.

Dan suggested that wood be cut on site as there could be several sizes needed. Pam will purchase Gorilla glue and one roll of wide Gorilla tape. Home Depot is cheaper for these products. Pam will purchase paint such as Brilliant Blue, a colour we've used for years as it's closest to a primary blue. Professional artists are colourists: they usually prefer to mix various shades with primary colours.

#### Promotion:

Photos will be taken of Committee repairing panels, Karole painting panels and Walsh Bros building the new structure. This is a once in a lifetime event for PHM: restoring murals is always done in situ, not the mural removed and restored inside.

Elijah McKeown will receive photos and information to load onto the City's social media as the project progresses. Mayor Gervais asked PHM to use the City's social media site.

We will send photo[s] and info to: Pembroke Observer, PBIA, UOV Heritage Centre, Cogeco will be asked to film @ 169 the last or near last day Karole is working. Dennis has a Face Book page. Mr. Devine will be recognized for his huge contribution to this project.

#### FN Statement:

Karole asked if PHM will recognize in this mural's description that we are on unseeded First Nation's Territory. AGREED. Pam will contact the City for the statement they use before each Council meeting.

'Peter White'

Shauna Torgerson accepted our fee of \$4,000.00.

PHM will deliver the five panels to her parent's home in Deep River where she will re-paint this mural onto new panels. All paints & supplies will be provided. We anticipate sometime in July/August for the work to be done.

Pam asked Dennis and Dan if they could come by sometime Thursday to set the five panels up in her garage. They need to be sealed on the back: we have the product on hand.

Dennis and Dan will secure the loan of a truck to deliver panels and supplies to Deep River, and pick them up upon completion. We expect to deliver the completed panels to Walsh Bros. property as we did with the 'Pembroke Farmers Market 1890-1940' panels in 2015. Then the contractor has them on hand when ready to remove the old mural and replace with the newly painted mural.

Jane will stop by Prince Street Book Store and advise Bob and Bev that the mural will be re-painted during the summer. Pam wrote the property owner and advised of the damage and that the damaged mural will be replaced with the mural painted onto new exterior signboard.

Postcard Packages/wholesale:

There has been no response to the notices that offer packages of a full set of postcards: available for \$8.00, minimum of five sets. The retailer can charge whatever they want.

Advertising for Artists:

There has been no response to the Eganville Leader ad and other notices seeking professional artists who might be interested in mural restoration.

Dan may know someone: he will ask.

Jane provided a name and contact info of an Ottawa mural artist her son knows.

## **New Business:**

Vandalism: Zero Tolerance Policy

We have a reply from Fred Blackstein requesting input on this subject. We haven't heard back from the Horticultural Society. PBIA should have input as well.

Pam: We have a lot on our plate right now so it might be best if this is set aside. I am very concerned that vandalism will continue at 'The Timber Raft'. The first long weekend of the summer is upon us and that's when it begins.

T-shirts:

A reminder to Committee we have t-shirts to give away to organizations planning events.

Other:

'The Timber Raft' new timbers are in great shape: the front looks clean but garbage has blown across the back.

'Pembroke Farmers Market 1890-1940' has water at the base as the Muskrat & Ottawa Rivers are high. However, nowhere near as high as in 2019.

'Marguerite d' Youville and Her Mission': The property owner received a letter advising the upper third sky area of the mural will be repaired by Habraken Allen Cliché this spring. He phoned Pam to confirm exactly what we are doing. Pam emailed Mark Allen and advised him the property owner is aware the company will be working on his property.

Pam took Karole to lunch at Irving Big Stop when she was here. Fortunately, the table we were given was under her original painting of 'A Century of Service'; she was quite pleased to see this and other original paintings on display including her 'Thomas Pink' portrait.

Adjourn: 5:10 p.m.

Next meeting June 7<sup>th</sup> @ 4:00 p.m.

**Touring murals is a safe activity.**