

Pembroke Heritage Murals © since 1989

September 6th 2023 Lower level meeting room, City Hall @ 1:30 pm

Unfortunately, Dan Callaghan retired from this Committee recently for health reasons. He will be missed.

Present: Pamela Dempsey, Jane Kielman, Dennis Corrigan. Councillor Ed Jacyno

Regrets:

Agenda: Motion by Dennis Approved

Minutes: July 5th Motion by Ed Approved

Correspondence: circulated in advance, read only if necessary

Financial Report:

July Invoices:

Clarion Hotel/two weeks: \$2,040.69 [Pam's Visa]

Building Permit: \$217.51 [Pam's Visa]

Shauna Torgerson: \$2,000.00 [First payment for 'Peter White']

Walsh Bros.Pembroke: \$27,488.38 ['Pioneers' new structure & panels installation]

August Invoices:

Shauna: \$2,000.00 [Final payment for 'Peter White']

Jp2g Consultants: \$1,695.00 [Final payment for 'Pioneers' site review during construction]

Invoices to come:

Habraken Allen Cliché for restoring sky area at 'd' Youville'

Walsh Bros. Pembroke for 'Pioneers' cap, labour will be donated

Walsh Bros. Pembroke for 'Peter White' installation of the newly painted mural and cap

Other:

Mural Routes membership is due, \$75.00 Motion by Dennis 2nd by Ed Approved

Financial Report for July/August Motion by Jane Approved

Business Arising:

'The Pioneers of Pembroke Township 1820-1850'.

Sixteen post holes were dug starting week of July 4th: concrete was poured July 11th. Jp2g Structural Engineer recommended the concrete set for a week due to the weight it will bear. The week of Monday July 17th to Friday July 21st the entire structure was built and thirty-three panels were installed.

This restored mural looks amazing; there has been very strong support and congratulations from the Community.

The cap has not been installed yet: Bryan Walsh offered to donate the labour, PHM pays for the metal cap. The cap will wrap both sides including the top and ends.

This Committee is greatly appreciative of the support we received to accomplish this massive project.

Michael Devine's donation of his property at 169 Lake Street was truly amazing. We literally couldn't have done it without his generous support. Mr. Devine has accepted a Charitable Receipt in lieu of rent.

Bryan & Matt Walsh and their Crew as always gave their utmost to this project. The structure is quite impressive and they always take great care of painted mural panels.

The UOV Heritage Centre Staff and Volunteers were extremely accommodating. Julia Klimack, Administrator, worked with Pam from the beginning: November 2022 to the present.

Karole Marois, the original artist, is extremely talented: this mural once again is shimmering with her technique of applying clear glaze with the colours.

Pam suggested we touch up the nail filler along the bottom & mid rows: the light wood colour stands out against the brown. It won't take long for two or three of us to do this. A clear coat was applied before the panels left 169 Lake St.

The Committee agreed to pay Ms. Marois the HST on her fee and expenses. Unfortunately, she did not advise us she charged HST until after our original agreement in April.

'Peter White'

Shauna Torgerson has painted a very vibrant 'Peter White' for us on new exterior signboard panels. The Committee took supplies and five panels to her parents' house in Deep River on July 20th. Thank you to Tim Kielman who was happy to offer his new trailer to transport the panels. We are very appreciative of Mr. & Mrs. Torgerson who enjoy having a mural painted in their home. On August 8th, Shauna advised Pam the mural was finished. We collected the mural and supplies on August 11th.

Walsh Bros. Pembroke removed the old mural and installed the new mural on August 24th. A cap will follow. The Committee will touch up the nail filler and apply a clear coat: the Title plaque will be re-attached.

'Marguerite d' Youville and Her Mission':

Mark Allen advised Pam today the member of his crew that does this type of work was ill during the summer and has subsequently retired. Mark has another professional painter now and expects the work to be done in the next couple of weeks. He apologized for the delay.

Pam said she would let the Grey Sisters know the work will be done soon and asked Ed to let the Knights of Columbus know as well.

'The Great Fire of 1918':

Pam applied a clear coat on August 20th.

'The Timber Raft':

On Monday August 28th Pam was horrified to find the right oar had been ripped off and thrown at the back of the mural. Long screw nails were still in the 4x4 timber oar. We discussed putting it back and how long we should wait before it's done. Like painting over the graffiti on the back of the mural, it would be a waste of time and vandals will just have a re-do.

Wednesday August 30th Jane & Pam weeded the front and removed a lot of garbage among the rocks. We always clean the site up before a long weekend. A clear coat was applied August 1st.

As for the previous damage to timbers, rocks and panel in June, we tried to clean up the graffiti on the timbers and rocks but were unable to do it. The ink had soaked in. On July 10th, Dennis used his long ladder and managed to push the panel that had popped out of place in. He put new screw nails into this panel and a few others. Dennis thought it looked like the panel had been kicked out from behind: many young people had been climbing up the struts.

Deputy Mayor Abdallah advised Pam this mural was now on the PBIA's Community Watch List.

The Deputy Mayor also said a person who wishes to remain anonymous, has offered to pay for a camera and it's installation for this mural site. Mr. Brian Lewis of Operations expensed this: it has been forwarded to the donor.

'Living Our Community Dreams':

Pam applied a clear coat on August 27th

'A Century of Service 1896-1997'

Over a three week period, Pam & Dennis glued back of the wheelchair and part of a panel's corner. Pam has since applied wood filler, sanded and primed, then painted the back of the wheelchair and man's shoulder. A clear coat application will be applied soon.

'Canadian Armed Forces – At The Ready'

Jane would like to commend the owners of this property who have recently painted the building and the roof area above the mural. 'They did a great job and the mural looks really good'. Ed suggested we write a thank you as they took care around the mural when painting.

New Business:

PHM Web Page:

It had been suggested to PHM that we have the City's 'unceded territory' statement added to our page. Committee discussed this and decided it is not necessary as PHM is under the City's umbrella: the City has it covered on line and at Council meetings.

Pam suggested we add to the Descriptions for 'The Pioneers...' and 'Peter White' murals, the name of the artists and year these murals have been completely restored/re-painted. Committee agreed.

Area Artists:

Starting now, we will be seeking artists who are interested in working with PHM and restoring murals. We do have a couple of names that will be followed up.

Other:

Mayor Gervais asked Ed to pass on his request for Pam to make a brief presentation to Council on September 19th regarding 'The Pioneers of Pembroke Township 180-1850' project. We are first on the Agenda at 6pm: Pam asked Dennis & Jane to attend as well. Pam will introduce them.

Today Jayne Brophy, Manager of the Pembroke Mall, introduced Pam to the Marketing Manager of the property via email. She has an idea she would like to discuss that involves Heritage Murals. The Mall is now owned by Salt Hill Capital.

Thank you to Jane who has stocked the mailbox at 'Marching Toward The Millennium' every week since the snow melted. 'Millennium' mural brochures and Z cards are provided for visitors: the QR Code is on the lid.

Adjourn: 2:40 p.m.

Next meeting October 4th at 1:30 p.m.

Touring murals is a safe activity.