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FIELD HOWITZER CANNON RESTORATION COMMITTEE

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 18, 2018

4:00 P.M.

**CHARLIE WARD ROOM, BRANTFORD CITY HALL
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ROLL CALL

Present: Councillor McCreary, Councillor Utley, Councillor Carpenter, Councillor Sless, Councillor Van Tilborg

Regrets: None

Staff: Emma Vokes, Sara Munroe, Kevin Finney

1. DECLARATION OF CONFLICTS OF INTEREST
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None were declared.

2. DELEGATIONS AND PRESENTATIONS (list, if any, available at meeting)
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None.

3. ITEMS FOR CONSIDERATION

3.1 Update on Restoration Actions to Date (No Copy)

Councillor Utley updated the Committee on the work that has been done thus far on the Howitzer Cannon. The Restoration work has been awarded to Gill Bibby Boat Building out of Stoney Creek after a very thorough process with the Purchasing Department. The Howitzer Cannon is now resting in Stoney Creek at Bill Bibby Boat Building for the work to be completed. Councillor Utley has asked Gill Bibby Boat Building to provide regular updates to the Committee on the restoration work. There is an opportunity for the Committee to attend Gill Bibby Boat Building to see how the process is going.

3.2 Discussion Regarding Installation at Jubilee Park (No Copy)

Councillor McCreary advised the Committee that as it stands, the Howitzer Cannon will be going back to the present location at Jubilee Park. Councillor McCreary asked the Committee to give some thought as to how it is going to look at the current site as it is not very inviting at the moment.

Councillor Carpenter suggested lighting up the Howitzer Cannon at night time.

Councillor Utley raised concerns on the protection of the Howitzer Cannon once it is returned to Jubilee Park. He suggested considering a large canopy to protect the Cannon from the outdoor elements. Councillor Utley also suggested investigating what other places have done to protect their outdoor trophies.

Committee concurred having regular maintenance performed on the Howitzer Cannon will help keep the cannon restored.

Councillor McCreary questioned the Committee on any additional thoughts regarding what the Committee should do to the Cannon.

Action Item: S. Munroe to investigate what other municipalities or businesses have done to protect their outdoor monuments.

Action Item: S. Munroe to ask Jim how the Boer War Memorial and Howitzer Cannon could be lit up.

Action Item: S. Munroe to speak to Nathan at the Brant Museum and Archives regarding the casing that they used as their casing has had issues.

3.3 Discussion Regarding Interpretation of the Howitzer Cannon and Its History (No Copy)

Councillor McCreary advised Committee that a lot of the interpretation is going to come from Jeffery. Councillor McCreary questioned Committee if they are going to do something in a visual form. Councillor McCreary also suggested investigating one of the electronic microphones that when you push a button it would read aloud the interpretation.

S. Munroe advised Committee that there is a program called MurMur that a lot of people are using now. You would punch in a number on your cell phone and the story would be sent to your phone.

Action Item: S. Munroe to get information regarding the program MurMur and report back to Committee how it works with the costs, etc.

Councillor Sless questioned Committee as to if there should be a security camera directed from the Armory to the Howitzer Cannon.

S. Munroe advised Committee that The Public Art Reserve Fund can fund up to 100% of major restorations but any new acquisitions can only be funded for up to 50%. The restoration wouldn't include the canopy, art, etc.

Councillor McCreary would like the Great War Centenary Association, the Military Museum and the 56th Field Artillery Regiment to be invited to future meetings of the Restoration of the Field Howitzer Cannon Committee.

Action Item: S. Munroe to communication with Jim Quin to get quotes for lighting and a security camera at Jubilee Park.

Councillor Carpenter questioned Committee on how the maintenance is scheduled on these types of monuments. Are we able to maintain what we have?

S. Munroe explained to Committee that she is waiting for a final report to be able to show exactly how much maintenance is needed to properly maintain the monument. S. Munroe is to report back to committee with results of the report.

4. CONSENT ITEMS

4.1 Minutes

Moved by Councillor Van Tilborg
Seconded by Councillor Utley

THAT the following Minutes be ADOPTED:

4.1.1 Field Howitzer Cannon Restoration Committee Minutes – June 19, 2018

CARRIED

5. RESOLUTIONS

6. NOTICES OF MOTION

7. NEXT MEETING

At the call of the Chair

8. ADJOURNMENT
