Bev Garner in the Chair

INVOCATION

1. ROLL CALL

Present: Sarah Clarke, Leisah Marie Jansen, Don Pettitt, Rob Adlam, Peter Bartle, Bev Garner, Cindy MacDonald, Councillor McCreary, Councillor Wall,

Regrets: Tim Philp, Nathan Etherington, Marek Radojewski

Staff: Victoria Coates, Chris Gauthier

2. DECLARATION OF CONFLICTS OF INTEREST

None

3. PRESENTATIONS/ DELEGATIONS (list, if any, available at meeting)

None

4. ITEMS FOR CONSIDERATION

4.1 Places of Worship Sub-Committee Mandate

Moved by S. Clarke
Seconded by Councillor Wall

THAT the expanded mandate for the Places of Worship Sub-Committee, attached hereto and marked as Appendix “A” BE APPROVED.

CARRIED
4.2 Storage of Heritage Plaques (no copy)

Victoria Coates provided an overview and a memo to the Heritage Committee outlining that on November 20, 2017, the Brantford Heritage Committee established a Places of Worship Sub-Committee with a mandate to develop a Places of Worship Policy which is generally intended to direct the Heritage Committee to assume a liaison role in exploring ways to preserve heritage resources that may be lost when places of worship close. The Places of Worship Policy has not yet been reviewed by the Heritage Committee, however in the meantime, the Sub-Committee has been working to prepare an inventory of the memorial plaques that remain in the former St. Jude’s Anglican Church at 81 Peel Street.

Victoria Coates communicated that before any decisions are made, it is recommended that the Sub-Committee report to the Heritage Committee with an inventory of the existing memorial plaques that remain in the former St. Jude’s Anglican Church and an inventory of the plaques that the Sub-Committee has already acquired from the former Heritage United Church. The inventory should include photos and descriptions of the items and their significance. The report should also include the results of an investigation into other organizations that may have an interest in accepting these items (if a surplus exists), such as museums, schools, or other places of worship.

Finally, if through the Sub-Committee’s research, it is determined that long term storage or other forms of City involvement are required, the Heritage Committee must seek Council’s direction to accept the plaques as a donation. At that time, Council would then provide direction to Staff regarding where to store or display these items.

General questions and discussion stemming from the staff overview were captured below:

- Committee should work on establishing long term solution
- More churches are closing down which reinforces the need for a policy
- Are any organizations within the community better suited to store these types of items such as the museum
- It was communicated that the subcommittee has not completed cataloguing the plaques and that it was not determined if additional storage space would be needed

Rob Adlam clarified that the committee has not accepted any plaques from the former St. Judes Anglican Church and that the subcommittee has not completed cataloguing the plaques. R. Adlam communicated that depending on the available space in the building to display the plaques that the owners may not be able to utilize all of the plaques. R. Adlam provided that once the cataloging will be completed the subcommittee and the owners will be able to determine if additional resources are needed in preserving the plaques.
Moved by C. MacDonald
Seconded by D. Pettitt

THAT the Places of Worship Sub-Committee be DIRECTED to report back to the Heritage Committee with an inventory of memorial plaques from the former St. Jude’s Anglican Church and the former Heritage United Church and the results of an investigation into organizations that may have an interest in accepting these items.

CARRIED

5. CONSENT ITEMS

5.1 Minutes

Moved by P. Bartle
Seconded by L. M Jansen

THAT the following Minutes BE ADOPTED:

5.1.1 Brantford Heritage Committee – November 19, 2018

CARRIED

6. RESOLUTIONS

None

7. PROJECT AND OTHER UPDATES

7.1 Sub-Committee Updates (no copy)

Councillor McCreary requested that staff provide a conceptual framework for the committee to follow regarding designation research

7.2 Brantford Committee and Board Vacancy Application Process

8. NOTICES OF MOTION

8.1 Victoria Academy (40 Richmond Street) – Councillor McCreary

WHEREAS the property municipally known 40 Richmond Street has cultural heritage value or interest;

AND WHEREAS the property is not currently afforded any protections through designation or otherwise;

CARRIED
NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT Staff BE REQUESTED to undertake research and prepare a report to determine whether the property at 40 Richmond Street merits designation under the Ontario Heritage Act.

8.2 **CNR/VIA Rail Station (5 Wadsworth Street) – Councillor McCreary**

WHEREAS the property municipally known 5 Wadsworth Street has cultural heritage value or interest;

AND WHEREAS the property is not currently afforded any protections through designation or otherwise;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT Staff BE REQUESTED to undertake research and prepare a report to determine whether the property at 5 Wadsworth Street merits designation under the Ontario Heritage Act.

9. **NEXT MEETING**

The next meeting is scheduled for January 14, 2018 at 6:00 p.m. at City Hall – Charlie Ward Room.

10. **ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting adjourned at 7:04 p.m.