Brant Historical Society Board of Directors Virtual Meeting on Zoom July 6, 2021

Brant Museum and Archives 57 Charlotte Street, Brantford, ON

Meeting Minutes

Present on Zoom: Tim Philp (President), Denise Methot (Vice-President), Michael-Allan Marion (Secretary), Willy Hilgendag (Treasurer), Leisah Marie Jansen. Regrets: Doug Summerhayes. Absent: Colleen Armstrong.

1. Call to Order: Meeting called to order at 7 pm.

2. Changes to Agenda: T. Philp announced the agenda will have a change in that there will be an Auditor's Report and a motion to approve the auditor for the 2021/2022 fiscal year.

Motion: Moved by M. Marion, seconded by W. Hilgendag, that the revised agenda be approved. Carried unanimously.

3. Minutes of Previous Meeting:

Motion: Moved by M. Marion, seconded by D. Methot, that the minutes of the June 1, 2021 board of directors meeting be approved.

Carried unanimously.

4. Executive Director's Report:

T. Philp reported on a new partnership between the Brant Historical Society an the Canadian Military Heritage Museum (CMHM). The CMHM won a grant to preserve artifacts that will pay for the acquisition of two new storage servers. One will go to the BHS, the other to the CMHM. He said the partnership heralds a new era of co-operation between the two independent museums.

He reported on a meeting he had with Robert Pageau concerning the future of Myrtleville House Museum. He said Pageau talked about the prospect of donating the property, designated a National Historic Site, to the BHS for \$1. The children in the Good family are not interested in pursuing an interest in the property.

T. Philp also reported on progress concerning the move of the Crystal Cottage to a vacant lot beside the Brant Museum and Archives. He said the BHS has submitted everything necessary to accommodate the move, still no permit has been issued. He believes the delay lies with a perception that city planning and building officials conceive of the move as part of an overall package with the developer, which is pursuing a development project in the same area, and not as a separate matter. Building permits for the overall development have not been issued yet. He said he will hold more meetings with city officials.

Motion: Moved by L. Jansen, seconded by D. Methot, that the Executive Director's Report be approved.

Carried unanimously.

5. Treasurer's Report:

The latest financial documents were circulated before the meeting. W. Hilgendag explained the highlights in those documents. Total assets as of May 31, 2021 stood at \$284,154.65. Total investments were at \$162,177.733.

W. Hilgendag also presented the audited statements for the previous fiscal year from Millards accounting firm.

Motion: Moved by W. Hilgendag, seconded by M. Marion, that the Treasurer's Report be approved.

Carried unanimously.

6. Auditor's Report:

Motion: Moved by M. Marion, seconded by W. Hilgendag, that the audited statements from Millard be approved.

Carried unanimously.

7. Choice of auditor for the next fiscal year:

Motion: Moved by W. Hilgendag, seconded by D. Methot, that the accounting firm Millard be approved as the Brant Historical Society's auditor for the next fiscal year. Carried unanimously.

8. In Camera Item:

Motion: Moved by M. Marion, seconded by D. Methot, that the board move in camera to discuss a matter pertaining to an individual.

Carried unanimously.

Motion: Moved by D. Methot, seconded by M. Marion, that the meeting return to ex camera session.

Carried unanimously.

9. Adjournment: The meeting was adjourned at 7:30 pm.

The next meeting will be on September 28, 2021 at 6 pm.