



Closed Museum Committee Minutes

May 17, 2018
2:00 p.m.
Council Chambers
Walkerton, Ontario

Present: Warden Paul Eagleson (Acting Chair)
Councillors Robert Buckle, Anne Eadie, Milt McIver and Mike Smith

Staff: Kelley Coulter, Chief Administrative Officer
Darlene Batte, Deputy Clerk
Cathy McGirr, Museum Director

Regrets: Councillors David Inglis, Janice Jackson and Mitch Twolan

1. Pecuniary Interest

There were no declarations of pecuniary interest.

2. Minutes

Moved by Councillor Mike Smith
Seconded by Councillor Anne Eadie

That the minutes of the October 19, 2017 closed meeting be adopted as circulated.

Carried

3. New Build Capital Project - 254 High Street, Southampton

At the March 22, 2018 Executive Committee meeting, staff were directed to complete conceptual drawings for the new build capital project. The architecture firm of Reitch & Petch were secured to complete this work. During the progression of the work some challenges and opportunities have occurred. Building the new Archives/Community Space with the house in situ has proven to present some challenges. While we can build at the estimated size of 18,935 sq. ft. this option only leaves approximately 6ft between the house and the new building. Compression of the footprint by 15% would allow a 20ft setback between the new building and the house and decrease the

entire footprint of the new building by 2,825 sq.ft. This would mean the new building would be a total of 16,110 sq. ft. Through this compression while all areas are reduced in size, the Archival storage will decrease from the original 5,950 sq.ft. to 5,060 sq.ft. (or 890 sq.ft.). The public classroom and gallery space will also decrease from 2,185 sq.ft. to 1,860 sq.ft.

The potential opportunity to have the Applied Research Centre as part of the development of the property as a standalone building or a continuation of the new build utilizing the community gallery and classroom spaces has also been brought forward for discussion.

Taking into account the above mentioned the following options were presented for consideration:

Option 1 - New build capital project, compression from the original plan by 15%: new area 16,110 sq.ft. vs. 18,935 sq.ft. reduction of archival storage original 5,950sq.ft. to 5,060sq.ft. (or by 890 sq.ft.). Distance between new building and house 20ft. House would remain intact.

Option 2 - New build capital project at the compression of 15% or 16,110 sq.ft. with Applied Research Centre on entire lot. Applied Research Centre is estimated at 14,700 sq.ft. with access to additional 1,860 sq.ft. by use of the community gallery space and classroom spaces and 104 seat theatre. Removal of house would be necessary to accommodate this option.

Option 3 - New build capital project at original size of 18,935 sq.ft. Removal of house would be necessary to accommodate this option and a park feature could be put in place.

Option 4 - New build capital project at original size of 18,935 sq. ft. attached to the Applied Research Centre on the entire lot. Square footage of the Applied Research Centre of 12,730 sq. ft. Removal of house would be necessary to accommodate this option.

Finalizing conceptual drawings will aid in ensuring the vision of the project is a more tangible concept for potential funders. Securing some initial funding from the County as defined in the study will also encourage other funders to contribute to this County wide project. The potential to utilize funds from the 2017 budget surplus as Council's commitment could be a consideration.

4. Adjournment

Moved by Councillor Anne Eadie

Seconded by Councillor Robert Buckle

That the meeting of the Museum Committee adjourn at 2:19 p.m.

Carried