



Date: July 9, 2019

To: Mayor Mitchell and Council Members

From: Angela Chittick, Manager of Community & Corporate Services/Clerk

Subject: Ennismore Garden Club – Memorial Cairn/Monument

Status: For Direction

Recommendation

That the report of the Manager of Community & Corporate Services/Clerk regarding the Ennismore Garden Club memorial monument/cairn project be received for information; and

That pending federal funding, approval be given to the Ennismore Garden Club to construct and install a memorial monument/cairn in 2020 to recognize Ennismore's war veterans and peacekeepers on the Robert E. Young Recreation Complex; and further

That as part of the application to Veteran's Affairs Canada for *Community War Memorial Funding* that the Township of Selwyn gives permission to build the cairn on municipal property and that the Township provide the required documentation verifying Township ownership of the memorial monument/cairn.

Information

The Ennismore Garden Club is proposing to install a memorial monument/cairn to honour Ennismore war veterans and peacekeepers. The Club is seeking Council's permission to install the cairn on municipal property; specifically at the Robert E. Young Recreation Complex.

The design of the cairn would align with the Club's signature dry stone wall installations that are located throughout the Hamlet. John Shaw, Master Stone Waller, has created a design for the Club. The structure would be 9-10' high, 4' deep and 10-12' wide. There would be an arch with a 36" opening. The Club's request along with a sketch of the design is attached to this report.

The Club has met with Township staff and have selected the area in front of the meeting room used as the Optimist Hall (lower level of the Ennismore Library). The final location will be approved by Township staff to avoid any utility and water lines.

The Club is applying to Veteran's Affairs Canada for *Community War Memorial Funding*. Pending approval of the funding the cairn would be built in 2020.

The Club is seeking permission from the Township to locate the cairn on municipal property. In addition, as the cairn would be located on municipal property Veteran's Affairs also requires that the Township confirm that it will be the owner.

The Garden Club is estimating that the cairn and related work will cost \$12,000 to \$13,000 (final costs have yet to be determined). If funding is approved, Veteran Affairs will fund 50% of eligible costs up to \$25,000. The remaining costs will be funded by the Garden Club who expects approximately 25% to come from in-kind donations and the remainder from sponsorships. The Club will give the monument a name and will include some wording to honour veterans and peacekeepers. They **do not** plan to list all of the names of the veterans as the names are currently listed in the St. Martin's Church community hall as well as on the plaques in Heritage Park in Bridgenorth.

Environmental Impact

No specific impact related to this recommendation.

Strategic Plan Reference

Achieve excellence in governance and service delivery

Attachment

- Request letter and sketch of the memorial cairn/monument.

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