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Hi Lisa,
We are submitting this letter and attachments to be included in the next council meeting.
Thanks,
Museum Advisory Board, Friends of the Museum
P.S. Please let me know when you receive this.

Wednesday, May 22, 2020

To: Mayor and Council Town of Fort Frances

Dear Mayor and Council,

This letter is further to the discussions regarding a permanent installation for the Owandem, a tug built by Russell Brothers of Fort Frances. The museum has received notice that it will no longer be possible to store the Owandem at its current location unless a storage fee is paid. The tug has been restored by Mark Faragher. Restoration work was paid for by the Friends of the Museum and the Museum (\$20,600.) Work was completed two years ago and has been stored by Mark Faragher since that date. Mr Faragher recently notified the project's leads (Caren and Eric Fagerdahl) that he would no longer be able to store the tug for free. He is now in need of that equipment and space for other projects, in order to continue his business. Our feeling is that he has been more than generous storing it at no charge for the past two years. The Owandem is a town asset, donated by the late Arden Erickson Barnes with the provision that it be restored and displayed. Town Council did accept this piece of Fort Frances history and paid \$500 on December 15, 2016 to have it delivered to the public utilities yard for storage. As mentioned, all restoration fees have been paid by the Friends of the Fort Frances Museum and from donations made to the Museum. George Armstrong Ltd. has generously donated equipment and manpower to transfer the boat twice. Claude Jodoin has also donated his time and equipment for moving the boat. Many Fort Frances citizens have made monetary donations in order to see this dream become a reality. The Museum Advisory Committee understands the financial constraints of the town at this time. However, we are requesting that the Owandem be moved to town property and stored properly. It is the opinion of the Museum Advisory committee that the Owandem belongs on the river front beside its partner, the Hallet. It is a tribute to the great logging history of Fort Frances and Canada. It is also a living picture of the image on the back of the Canadian \$1 bill.

Thank you for your attention to this. Fort Frances Museum Advisory Committee Debbie Ballard, Chair, Caren Fagerdahl, Nell Laur, Mary Hickling, Robert Schultz

Attached:

Email from Mark Faragher

Tug boat refurbished

Tug boat has been completed since fall 2018 ,at this point I had to move boat onto trailer from work slab ,as it is hindering completion of other projects. I will have to look at storage cost for boat if we can't move by July 1 , Sincerely Mark Faragher.

Invoice with Cheque # from TOFF

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