

Opera House Committee Report 2019

October 31, 2019

RBC donation finalized. Will Coukell COO ACO Inc signed the agreement and provided a charitable receipt to RBC for \$430,000.

Insurance purchased – utilities transferred

Rekeyed the building

Disconnected the knob the tube from the second floor as directed by insurance company

Retained Cecil Reesor to do regular checks on the building, snow removal and any small repairs.

Expanded the committee to include additional expertise in Real Estate, Marketing, and Architecture.

Feb 5, 2020

RFEOI document and Globe & Mail ad was unanimously approved by the Executive of ACO Port Hope. Subsequently approved by ACO Inc.

Launched an RFEOI in the Globe & Mail directing potential respondents to the website www.porthopeoperahouse.ca - 47 unique visits to the site with eight visitors remaining engaged.

Deadline for responses is March 18, 2020

General Comments

- Operating expenses will be closer to \$70,000 annually. We continue to do fundraising events. We had a successful concert ‘Primadonna on a Moose’ which raised almost \$6000 and now we have ‘Stage a Party’.
- Also because of the additional expense we will resume our search for a main floor tenant.
- I am hosting our Next Gen Committee for a brief tour on Saturday Mar 7.
- If anyone is interested in a walk through, we can accommodate once we have a small clean up. Please contact me or Bruce Bowden (by email) to set up a time in the spring.