



MINUTES
NANAIMO COMMUNITY HERITAGE COMMISSION
HELD ON WEDNESDAY, 2010-DEC-01 AT 5:00 PM
MODERN CAFÉ (221 COMMERCIAL STREET)

Present:	William E. Gard, Chair Joan Perry Charlene Riches	Christine Meutzner Jill Stannard John Manning
Staff:	Chris Sholberg, Heritage Planner	Rebecca Tubbs, Recording Secretary
Regrets:	Loyd Sherry Karen Hovestad	John Hofman

1. Call to Order

Chair W.E Gard called the meeting to order at 5:18 pm.

2. Approval of Agenda & Late Items

The agenda was approved as presented with the addition of the following late items:

- a) Heritage Nanaimo Posters (W.E. Gard):
C. Sholberg reported that the posters have been produced and will be delivered to him tomorrow. He will provide members with copies at the next meeting. As suggested by the Commission, he is also looking into developing postcards based on the poster as well.
- b) Tourism Nanaimo – Arts, Culture and Heritage Brochure (W.E. Gard):
B. Gard noted that Tourism Nanaimo is working on the production of a new Arts, Culture and Heritage guide for Nanaimo. C. Sholberg noted that he has spoken with Tourism Nanaimo about the guide and they are looking to produce it early in the new year. They would be very interested in including heritage related material in the guide. C. Sholberg noted that he will work with Tourism Nanaimo to help make this happen.

3. Adoption of Minutes

MOVED by J. Perry, SECONDED by J. Stannard, that the Minutes from 2010-NOV-10 be adopted as presented.

CARRIED.

4. Budget Review: \$1,600

5. Correspondence, Periodicals, & Newsletters

- a) Heritage BC Quarterly:
For information.
- b) Nanaimo Arts Council Newsletter:
For information.
- c) Email from Gord Miller offering to give the Commission a presentation on the history of the Pacific Biological Station:
C. Sholberg told the Commission that G. Miller of the Nanaimo Historical Society would like to give them a presentation on the history of the Pacific Biological Station. C. Sholberg saw the presentation at the recent Departure Bay History Night event and found it to be interesting.

The Commission suggested that G. Miller give his presentation as a feature speaker at the Heritage Summit in February. C. Sholberg will ask him if he is interested.

6. New Business

- a) Heritage Register Nomination – 442 Milton Street:
The Commission asked C. Sholberg to proceed with an evaluation of the property, to be brought back at a later date.
- b) Heritage Register Nomination – 627 Millstone Avenue:
The Commission asked C. Sholberg to proceed with an evaluation of the property, to be brought back at a later date.
- c) Meeting with Ladysmith Heritage Advisory Commission (2010-DEC-09) 6:30 pm at Ladysmith City Hall Council Chamber:
The Ladysmith Heritage Advisory Commission has invited the Nanaimo Community Heritage Commission to meet to exchange information on heritage interpretive signs and other matters. C. Sholberg will attend the meeting in a City vehicle and can provide members with rides. Any members that would like a ride with C. Sholberg, meet at the City Hall Annex at 5:30 pm. W.E. Gard will also be available to provide transportation.

7. Ongoing Business

- a) Review of Heritage Register – Continued:
This item was deferred to the next meeting.
- b) Heritage Action Plan Open House (2010-NOV-17) Debrief (\$200 donation to St. Andrew's United Church for use of sanctuary?):
C. Sholberg reported that the Open House was a success. About 40 people attended. A summary of the comments received will be provided to the Commission at its next meeting. Given the inexpensive rental charge for use of the sanctuary (\$50.00) it was suggested that a small donation be made to the Church's "Catch the Spirit" campaign for use in the building's rehabilitation.

MOVED by C. Meutzner, SECONDED by C. Riches, that a donation of \$200 be allocated toward the "Catch the Spirit" campaign at St. Andrew's United Church.

CARRIED.

- c) Pioneer Cemetery Park – Status of Improvements (C. Meutzner):
C. Meutzner explained that many years ago, the City had met with a variety of groups to create an elaborate landscape plan for Pioneer Cemetery Park. The plan included gates, benches, etc. The plan has not carried forward however due to budget constraints.

C. Meutzner and C. Sholberg recently met with a Parks, Recreation and Culture representative to see how the project could be advanced, noting that an alternative plan would be simply to install an upgraded bench and the heritage interpretive sign originally planned for the park upgrade, as well as some small maintenance repairs to the retaining wall and the asphalt pathway. The Parks, Rec & Culture rep noted that they would review this revised plan concept and get back to C. Sholberg. C. Sholberg will report back to the Commission with more information as soon as possible.

8. Committee Reports

- a) Plan Nanaimo Advisory Committee:
No report.
- b) Snuneymuxw First Nation:
No report. Awaiting appointment of new rep.

- c) Nanaimo Community Archives Society:
No report.
- d) Design Advisory Panel:
No report.
- e) Nanaimo District and Museum:
J. Manning reported that the museum recently hosted the BC Museum Association Conference, but that attendance was down from previous years (due to budget cuts, etc.). Was an overall positive conference however. The new coal mine exhibit also won a provincial award. The museum will be applying to host the Canadian Museum Association Conference in 2013 or 2014, which will be a huge event for the City and the downtown if the application is successful.

9. Next Meeting

The next meeting is scheduled for 2011-JAN-05 at 5:00 pm in the City Hall Board Room.

10. Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 6:10 pm

APPROVED:

Chair

Date