

MINUTES NANAIMO COMMUNITY HERITAGE COMMISSION HELD ON WEDNESDAY, 2010-JUN-02 AT 5:00 PM CITY HALL BOARD ROOM (455 WALLACE STREET)

Present:	Joan Perry, Acting Chair Loyd Sherry John Hofman Karen Hovestad	John Manning (arrived 5:12 pm) Jill Stannard Christine Meutzner
Staff:	Chris Sholberg, Heritage Planner	Rebecca Tubbs, Recording Secretary
Regrets:	William E. Gard, Chair Sandra Penn	Charlene Riches

1. Call to Order

Acting Chair J. Perry called the meeting to order at 5:06 p.m. in the City Hall Board Room.

2. Approval of Agenda & Late Items

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

a) Fire Station Plaque:

C. Meutzner reminded the Commission of the Fire Station plaque that was completed a couple of years ago. It was recently mounted in the Diana Square Plaza (on a planter across from Mon Petit Choux) but was reduced in size. Due to the reduction in size, it is difficult to read. It is also pointing in the wrong direction. C. Sholberg explained that the Fire Department was also somewhat disappointed in the size of the sign and will be mounting a second full-size (3x4) version at the Fire Department Museum on Fitzwilliam Street.

C. Meutzner explained that if the Parks Department needs to resize a sign, they need to inform the designer so that the design can be revised accordingly.

L. Sherry suggested that a letter be sent to Council that states the Commission would like to specify dimensions and sizes for plaques in the future. Then, if a plaque is being created, the Commission would have standard specifications. L. Sherry feels that from what he has heard, the Commission has concerns that there needs to be more room for dialogue between the Commission and the Parks Department in regards to designing and installing plaques and signs.

3. Adoption of Minutes (2010-Apr-07) (2010-May-05)

MOVED by C. Meutzner, SECONDED by J. Hofman, that the 2010-Apr-07 Minutes be adopted as presented.

CARRIED.

MOVED by J. Stannard, SECONDED by J. Hofman, that the 2010-May-05 Minutes be adopted as presented.

CARRIED.

4. Budget Review (\$1,836)

C. Sholberg will confirm at the next meeting the actual amount of uncommitted funds.

5. Correspondence, Periodicals, & Newsletters

- a) Heritage B.C. Newsletter
- b) Friends of Morden Mine Newsletter
- c) <u>Lighthouse Article</u>: C. Sholberg explained that the two-year timeframe to nominate lighthouses to be added to the national heritage register has just commenced. He will check around to see if any person or organization is nominating the Entrance Island lighthouse, and if the City may have an interest in this regard.

L. Sherry suggested that C. Sholberg contact Islands Trust and ask if they would like a letter of support from the Commission. C. Sholberg will look into it.

J. Manning arrived at 5:12 pm.

6. New Business

None.

7. Ongoing Business

a) <u>Upcoming Heritage Paint/Shoot-Out, 2010-AUG-02:</u>
 C. Sholberg has confirmed 2010-Aug-02 as the date of the event. The event will be based out of the Museum. The usual heritage information will be displayed. Prior to the event, C. Sholberg will send a reminder to Commission members.

b) <u>Review of Heritage Register:</u>

At the last meeting, C. Sholberg assigned a number of registered heritage buildings to Commission members so that they could visit the site and report on the condition of the building. The results are as follows:

- Holland/Morrison Residence (763 Albert Street): landscaping is overgrown, front porch has been renovated but is messy, seems to be under construction.
- Beban House (2290 Bowen Road): moss on shake roof.
- Rowbottom Residence (Miners Cottage, 100 Cameron Road): moss on shake roof, cottage needs to be painted, park looks neglected, noticed at least five people using the park inappropriately.
- Steel Residence (990 Campbell Street): landscaping is relaxed, painted blue instead of white.
- Provicinal Liquor Store (25 Cavan Street): in great shape.
- Shaw Residence (41 Chapel Street): in need of some TLC, is now a law firm, has been painted grey and maroon since the photo in the heritage register was taken.
- Nash Hardware (19 Commercial Street): grant was recently approved, currently a work in progress.
- Manson's Store and House (236-240 Haliburton Street): still standing but in awful condition.
- Haliburton Street Miners' Cottage (111 Haliburton Street): messy yard, derelict vehicles, house looks fine.
- Harewood School (505 Howard Avenue): terrible condition, every window broken.
- Our Lady of Good Counsel Roman Catholic Church (4334 Jinglepot Road): in excellent condition.

C. Meutzner asked what type of recourse the City has if a strange modification is made to a registered heritage building. C. Sholberg explained that if the modification triggered a building permit, there would be an opportunity for review; otherwise, there is not a lot of control over what is done.

C. Meutzner suggested approaching the owners of the old hydro building to see if they are interested in being considered for the heritage register. L. Sherry suggested contacting the

Parks, Recreation & Culture Department about the condition of Beban House and Piper's Park because they are responsible for maintenance.

C. Sholberg assigned the remaining heritage buildings to Commission members and asked that they take the summer to visit the building sites and check their condition. Results will be reported back at the September meeting.

8. Committee Reports

- a) <u>Plan Nanaimo Advisory Committee:</u> Nothing heritage related.
- b) <u>Snuneymuxw First Nation:</u>

S. Penn not in attendance. C. Sholberg will speak with the SFN office to confirm if S. Penn is still the representative, or if a new rep will be appointed.

- Nanaimo Community Archives Society:
 C. Meutzner noted that the Archives recently attended the genealogy fair, bingo funding has been restored and they recently held their AGM.
- d) Nanaimo District and Museum:

J. Manning reported that the Museum will be hosting their second travelling show this weekend, starting Saturday. The show is from the "Museum of the Civilization of Man" and focuses on westward migration, settlement, etc. The Museum recently hosted an astronaut display and was approached by the two astronauts who lived on the international space station for six months. The astronauts wanted to come and speak to school children. The Museum put out requests to local science teachers and got so much interest that a lottery draw had to be held to determine who would attend.

e) <u>Design Advisory Panel:</u> Nothing heritage related.

9. Next Meeting

The next regular meeting is scheduled for 2010-Sep-01 in the City Hall Board Room at 5:00 pm.

10. Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 6:10 p.m.

APPROVED:

Chair

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