



**MINUTES**  
**NANAIMO COMMUNITY HERITAGE COMMISSION**  
**HELD ON WEDNESDAY, 2010-MAY-05 AT 5:00 PM**  
**CITY HALL BOARD ROOM (455 WALLACE STREET)**

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

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**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 items:

- a) W.E. Gard – Status:  
C. Sholberg informed the Commission that W.E. Gard had an accident prior to the meeting and would be unable to attend.
- b) Heritage Paint/Shoot Out:  
J. Hofman noted that last year's Heritage Paint/Shoot-Out was not as successful as it could have been due to time of year and location. He would like to try something different this year. C. Sholberg explained that he has discussed with the Arts Council the idea of incorporating the Paint/Shoot Out with the Coaltown Festival. He explained that the Festival will take place on 2010-AUG-02 (BC Day), and the Museum's lobby will be used as the location for judging and exhibition. The Commission supported this idea.

**3. Adoption of Minutes (2010-Apr-07)**

Minutes from 2010-Apr-07 will be approved at the next meeting as there is no quorum present.

**4. Budget Review (\$1,850)**

**5. Correspondence, Periodicals, & Newsletters**

- a) Arts Council Newsletter

**6. New Business**

- a) Selby Street Shar Kare – building conversion:  
C. Sholberg noted that there has been some interest expressed in reusing the old Shar Kare building on Selby Street. Although the building has not been occupied for years, the Longwood Station brewery is interested in using the site to expand their microbrewery. This building is not on the heritage register but was likely constructed in the 1900s.

- b) Heritage Home Grants / Façade Grants Paid or Committed – Updated:  
For information.
- c) Review of Heritage Register:  
C. Sholberg explained that C. Meutzner had recently mentioned the idea of doing a complete review of the buildings on the heritage register. C. Sholberg asked the Commission if they would be interested in assisting with the review. He explained that each member could be assigned a select number of buildings to visit. They would then be able to determine the condition and take a photo of the site. Members were interested in participating with the review, so C. Sholberg assigned each member with twenty buildings to review from the City's register, prior to the next meeting:
- J. Perry 1 to 20, J. Manning 21 to 40, J. Hofman 41 to 60, J. Stannard 61 to 80.
- d) Heritage BC Conference – Victoria, June 3-5:  
For information. C. Sholberg will be attending this conference and will brief the Commission once he returns.

## 7. Ongoing Business

- a) Heritage Poster – Status:  
C. Sholberg still needs to get in touch with Kwik Kopy to start the production process.
- b) Heritage Register Updates – Status:  
C. Sholberg has drafted a report to Council that lists the recommended heritage register updates and is hoping to present it to Council on 2010-Jun-07. He has, however, received some concerns from the Parks Department in regards to three of the recommended additions:
- Old Museum Building
  - Italian Fountain
  - Dickson Barn

The Parks Department feels that a recommendation for the old museum building will cause issues considering the fact that the museum's future has not been determined by Council. The Parks Department is also concerned about the addition of the Italian Fountain and the Dickinson Barn to the register because they are planning on removing them within the next five years.

J. Perry noted that the Commission has always been respectful of the owner's wishes when considering additions to the register.

J. Manning feels that the timing of the nomination for the old museum building is suspect. He wonders why the building wasn't recognized years ago if it has so much heritage value. He does not want the Commission to be tricked into getting involved in a political dispute. Personally, he does not see the heritage value in the building. J. Hofman does not feel strongly about any of the three sites.

C. Sholberg noted that all three nominations received a Commission recommendation to proceed to Council but that he will confer with senior staff before proceeding.

- c) Bastion Rehabilitation Project – Status:  
C. Sholberg informed the Commission that a general contractor has been hired for the job and is hoping to start work by the end of the month. Recently there have been some substantial donations made to assist with costs. L. Sherry reported that the funds have also been slated in Council's budget.

- d) E&N Train Station Rehabilitation Project – Status:  
C. Sholberg reported that although some funds are still needed (approximately \$120,000), they have decided to continue fundraising while proceeding with Phase 1. Work will begin once a heritage alteration and building permit have been issued.
- e) Nash Hardware Rehabilitation Project (19 Commercial Street) – Status:  
C. Sholberg noted that the Commission recently granted \$7,000 in façade grants for this project. Because the owner had originally asked for \$20,000, he was unsure whether he wanted to proceed with the improvements. The owner has since met with C. Sholberg and Matt Hussman of the DNBI to discuss options and has decided to proceed with the improvements after all.

**8. Committee Reports**

- a) Plan Nanaimo Advisory Committee:  
No report.
- b) Snuneymuxw First Nation:  
S. Penn not in attendance.
- c) Nanaimo Community Archives Society:  
C. Meutzner not in attendance.
- d) Nanaimo District and Museum:  
No report. J. Manning noted that the Coal Mine exhibit is well under way and it is anticipated that it will be completed by the summer.
- e) Design Advisory Panel:  
No report.

**9. Next Meeting**

The next regular meeting is scheduled for 2010-Jun-02 in the City Hall Board Room at 5:00 pm.

**10. Adjournment**

The meeting adjourned at 5:56 p.m.

APPROVED:

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Chair

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Date