

CITY OF NANAIMO
MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE NANAIMO COMMUNITY HERITAGE COMMISSION
HELD ON WEDNESDAY, 2008-OCT-01 AT 5:00 P.M.
AT THE CITY HALL BOARD ROOM (455 WALLACE STREET)

Present: John Hofman, Chair
Bill Gard
Loyd Sherry

Karen Hovestad
Charlene Riches

Guests: Joan Perry

Staff:
Chris Sholberg, Heritage Planner
Rebecca Tubbs, Recording Secretary

Regrets: Geraldine Manson
Jeff Thomas
David Hill-Turner

Christine Meutzner
Dallas Dowson-Buffalo
Blake McGuffie

1. CALL TO ORDER

Chair John Hofman called the meeting to order at 5:10 p.m.

2. ADOPTION OF MINUTES (2008-SEP-03)

MOVED by J. Perry, SECONDED by B. Gard, that the minutes of the 2008-Sep-03 meeting be adopted as presented.

CARRIED

3. BUDGET REVIEW (- \$296.94)

4. LATE ITEMS

a) Biological Station

- The dedication of the plaque at the Biological station went well – the turnout was big.
- Photos were taken and will be on file.
- The committee was given a tour of the library as well as given a book of 100 photos of Nanaimo as a thank-you gift.
- This book will be kept in the Community Planning Library.
- The National Historic Site nomination is still in the works.
 - should know by Christmas what the standing is
 - will probably take a year or two to finalize details, build plaques, etc.
- May have a better chance of succeeding as a historic event rather than a historic site.

b) Friends at Morden Mines – Annual general meeting

- The annual general meeting will take place on October 16, 2008.
- Everybody is welcome.
- More volunteers are needed.

5. DELEGATION

- a) Kirsty MacDonald, Parks Planner, City of Nanaimo – Maffeo-Sutton Park Redevelopment Plan – Overview and Status
- K. MacDonald was not able to attend. Chris will contact Kirsty to present at November meeting.

6. CORRESPONDENCE/PERIODICALS/NEWSLETTERS

- a) Historical Society Newsletter
b) Nanaimo Arts Council Newsletter

7. NEW BUSINESS

- a) “How-To-Guide” for researching and writing plaques/heritage brochures
- Deferred until next meeting when Christine is in attendance.

8. OLD BUSINESS

- a) Joint Meeting/Tour with Ladysmith Heritage Commission – status

C. Sholberg noted:

- Chris will contact Maureen, Heritage Chair, to invite her or the Ladysmith Heritage Commission to sit in on the November meeting as well as give her a tour of downtown Nanaimo beforehand.
- Would hope that the favor is returned and that the Ladysmith Heritage Commission would do the same for our commission.

- b) OCP Update – adopted by Council Sept 8

- Chris will try to bring a couple of hardcopies of the OCP for the next meeting.
 - there is a limited supply available
- A copy is required for David Hill-Turner and John Hofman, Chair.
- The OCP is also available online.

- c) Maffeo-Sutton Park Redevelopment – Project Update

- Deferred until November meeting where K. MacDonald can present the overview and status.

- d) Ships That Built Nanaimo Heritage Plaques – Status

C. Sholberg discussed:

- Chris spoke with Mike Davidson from the Port Authority and it has been approved to place the signs next to the Pacifica.
- The original location was near the bastion but it is a low-traffic area, and the water is not visible from there.
- The plaques are now in the manufacturing process.
- This design will set the template for future interpretive plaques along the downtown waterfront.
- Would like the plaques to be completed in tandem with the Princess Royal celebrations taking place November 27, 2008, and unveiled before the end of the year.

e) Portals to our Heritage Project – Salmon Petroglyph relocation to Jack Point

C. Sholberg noted:

- The salmon petroglyph is currently located in front of the old museum entrance.
- The relocation to Jack Point is another legacy event funded by Cultural Capitals of Canada (the first event being the Departure Bay Totem).
- Relocation is being coordinated by the Parks Department.
 - the petroglyph will have to be barged over
- An interpretive plaque will be included once petroglyph is relocated.
- Relocation is in process and has to be complete by the end of the year.
- The museum wants to make a casting of the petroglyph.

f) Heritage Paint Out (2008-Sep-13) – Debrief

C. Sholberg noted:

- The Heritage Paint-Out went fairly well.
 - the weather was good
- The artist turn-out was less than normal.
- There were three winners in the painting category and two winners in the photo category.
- Chris took photographs.
- Next year we could consider coordinating the Paint-Out with the cruise ship arrivals.
- Attaching balloons to artists would make them easy to spot.

9. COMMITTEE REPORTS

a) Plan Nanaimo Advisory Committee

- D. Hill Turner was not present.

b) Snuneymuxw First Nation

- G. Manson was not present.

c) Nanaimo Community Archives Society

- C. Meutzner was not present.

d) Nanaimo District and Museum

- D. Hill-Turner was not present.

e) Design Advisory Panel

J. Hofman noted:

- The old Pygmy Pavilion (99 Chapel Street) came down last week.
- Chris took photographs during demolition.
- Four springs were recovered from the dance floor.
 - Chris will give them to David-Hill Turner for the museum collection as requested by the museum

10. NEXT MEETING

The next regular meeting is scheduled for 2008-Nov-05 at the Board Room.

11. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 5:41 p.m.

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