

CITY OF NANAIMO
MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE NANAIMO COMMUNITY HERITAGE COMMISSION
HELD ON WEDNESDAY, 2008-MAY-07 AT 5:00 P.M.
IN THE BOARD ROOM, CITY HALL, 455 WALLACE STREET

Present: Bill Gard
David Hill-Turner
Karen Hovestad

Blake McGuffie
Charlene Riches

Staff:
Chris Sholberg, Heritage Planner
Fran Grant, Recording Secretary

Regrets: Geraldine Manson
Dallas Dowson-Buffalo
John Hofman, Chair

Councillor Loyd Sherry
Christine Meutzner

1. CALL TO ORDER:

Vice-Chair B. Gard called the meeting to order at 5:05 p.m.

2. ADOPTION OF MINUTES (2008-APR-02):

MOVED by B. McGuffie, SECONDED by K. Hovestad, that the minutes of 2008-Apr-02 be adopted as presented.

CARRIED

3. BUDGET REVIEW

C. Sholberg noted that \$3,000 from the Community Planning Dept. has been transferred into the Commission's account which now sits at \$3,251.86.

4. LATE ITEMS

There were no late items.

5. CORRESPONDENCE/PERIODICALS/NEWSLETTERS

a) 925 Harbour View – Hunt Estate Cottage – 2nd Fire

C. Sholberg noted that a 2nd fire has completely destroyed this building.

b) Museum – 2007 Annual Report

- For information

c) Heritage B.C. Conference in Langley, June 5-7

C. Sholberg noted:

- Have application forms for anyone interested in attending. Do have some funds now to cover Commission member's expenses.
- C. Riches interested Friday/Saturday, K. Hovestad interested in going for Saturday session and D. Hill-Turner for Friday/Saturday.

MOVED by B. McGuffie, SECONDED by B. Gard, that the Commission cover expenses for the above noted attendees.

CARRIED

6. NEW BUSINESS

a) Heritage Home Grant Application – 904 Wentworth Street (Wells Residence)

C. Sholberg gave a brief historical overview on the subject property and also noted:

- Mr. Parin, owner of the Wells residence is in attendance.
- Asking for funds for the maximum \$2,500 to do roof repair
- Circulated pictures of existing roof which is leaking in three places.
- Commission has funds for one more grant and recommendation is to approve the application.

MOVED by B. McGuffie SECONDED by C. Riches, that the \$2,500 grant application for 904 Wentworth Street (Wells Residence) be approved.

CARRIED

b) Custom Collectibles

C. Sholberg noted:

- Company does replications of historic buildings as souvenirs.
- Wondering if NCHC is interested in looking into doing something along this line for the Bastion building.

NCHC comments:

- There were ceramic models made which we tried to sell at Museum but didn't work.
- Don't feel this is something the Commission wants to get into.

c) Heritage Paint Out with Nanaimo Arts Council – Sept. 13

C. Sholberg noted:

- Suggested date for Heritage Paint Out is 2008-Sept-13.
- Will ask the Arts Council if a representative can attend next NCHC meeting to give brief proposal presentation.
- Commission has usually put \$500 towards the project.

d) Maffeo-Sutton Park Redevelopment – Project Update

C. Sholberg noted:

- City Parks Dept. advertisement was recently in the newspaper for open house – will clarify date and send information to Commission members.
- Hoping to have some of the wood saved from the Foundry used in the project.
- Project could also include something on First Nations history on the site.
- May be some form of shelter built because with the arena gone, there is nothing to be used for larger events.
- Concept plans will be brought to Commission for feedback.

Commission comment:

- Think there should have been a proper public input process on this project. Not sure open house is enough.

7. OLD BUSINESS

a) OCP Update

C. Sholberg noted:

- Commission comments were passed to staff
- Meeting on Tues. May 06 and PNAC moved to approved and pass to Council.
- C. Sholberg added mention of Heritage Action Plan and will check to make sure it is added to the implementation plan.
- Will now be going to Council for 1st and second and then to Public Hearing. Hope to have adopted in July.
- Document is being reformatted by a design consultant.

b) Rock Wall Bench for Pioneer Cemetery Park – update

C. Sholberg noted:

- Talked to Parks Dept. who asked for concept to be costed out. Will work on that.
- Bench that was there has been fixed up but would still like to see something more substantial.

c) Plaque mount in front of Court House – update

C. Sholberg noted:

- Contacted ground maintenance and person responsible for the building. They like the idea so will be meeting with this Friday to discuss details.

d) Heritage Action Plan - Update (facilitated workshop to update goals and objectives for preserving heritage)

C. Sholberg noted:

- Nothing new to report so would like to carry over to next meeting.

8. COMMITTEE REPORTS

a) Plan Nanaimo Advisory Committee:

D. Hill-Turner noted:

- Was not able to attend meeting but only some minor editorial changes have been made since the Committee last reviewed the Plan.
- Suggestions he made regarding heritage issues have been incorporated.

b) Snuneymuxw First Nation:

G. Manson was not in attendance.

c) Nanaimo Community Archives Society:

C. Meutzner was not in attendance.

- C. Sholberg noted on her behalf inviting anyone to check out the Archives new online research database at www.nanaimoarchives.ca

d) Nanaimo District and Museum:

D. Hill-Turner noted:

- Hope to start moving into new building space very soon.
- July 26 is tentative date for open house but that may have to be delayed.
- Recently captured the sound of the whistle at Harmac before the mill closes down.

e) Design Advisory Panel

B. McGuffie noted:

- Nothing of heritage interest.

9. Late Item:

B. McGuffie asked if any information is available on what will happen to the old Museum site?

D. Hill-Turner advised that the Nanaimo Museum will be using the site for at least another year.

C. Sholberg will see if there is additional information available.

10. NEXT MEETING

The next regular meeting is scheduled for 2008-Jun-04.

K. Hovestad offered to host the June meeting at her home on 1410 Sherwood Dr.

11. ADJOURNMENT

Meeting adjourned at 6:05 p.m.

APPROVED:

Chair

Date


