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c) Morden Mine News

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6. NEW BUSINESS:

No new business.

7. OLD BUSINESS:

a) Heritage Register Nominations:

C. Meutzner distributed information sheets on three of the nominations.

499 Seventh Street (Ye Olde Corner Store / MacFarlane's Store):

C. Meutzner gave a brief overview and also noted that:

- There is one other corner store (Watson's on Fourth Street) on the Register.
- This type of corner store is quickly disappearing.

Comments from the Commission:

- Believe it was first known as Leonard's Store as the MacFarlane's were the 3<sup>rd</sup> owners.
- Was the only corner store in the south 5 Acres area.
- Doesn't look much like the original structure but it does have cultural and historic significance.
- This area of town is not well represented on the Register.

420 Pine Street:

C. Meutzner gave a brief overview and also noted that:

- True to the late Craftsman bungalow style and would be a good example just for that reason.
- Does not have much in the way of cultural or historical significance.
- Is very interesting and unique and was one of the original homes in Nanaimo's town plan.

Comment from the Commission:

- This home may have belonged to Nora Clements father. B. McGuffie will try and contact her to see if she has any information.

529 Wentworth Street (Aldred House):

C. Meutzner gave a brief overview and also noted that:

- History provided by the nominee was not correct.
- Morrison / Aldred may be a more accurate name for the house.
- Aldred family does not have any particular historic significance.

Comment from the Commission:

- This home is in good shape and would be a nice addition to the Register.

523 Vancouver Avenue:

C. Meutzner gave a brief overview and also noted that:

- Home was moved from Granby to its present site.
- Has five points of significance and that makes it a worthy addition to the Register.

The Commission agreed to ask C. Meutzner and C. Sholberg to write up heritage value statements for the four nominations noted above as well as the three nominations agreed upon at the Commission's March meeting.

C. Sholberg will reconfirm with the owners of the properties that they are still interested in having their homes added to the Register.

b) Brick Cottage – rental ad:

C. Sholberg advised that:

- A notice has been placed on the Heritage section of the City's website to say it is available for public rental.
- NCHC will use it for the June meeting and Environment Committee has also expressed an interest in holding a meeting there.

c) Demolition of Cavalsky Residence at 84 Esplanade:

C. Sholberg noted that relocation of the building to the Snuneymuxw First Nation (SFN) reserve has run into problems because the building contains asbestos and lead paint.

Comments from the Commission:

- The SFN may have to look at other alternatives because they cannot afford the remedial work that would be required to make the building safe for use.
- Spoke to G. Manson and she confirmed that the SFN general store will also be demolished.

## 8. 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 noted:

- AGM is being held on Tuesday, May 8<sup>th</sup> starting at 7:00 p.m. in the Harbour Front Library. Everyone is welcome.
- Sent out a press release and the Daily News ran a nice article on the Archives AGM.
- Malaspina murals update:
  - The last two murals, which are the best of the originals, are going to the City of Nanaimo.
  - The City is planning to rehabilitate the murals at some point.
  - If properly protected, the murals could be displayed outdoors.
  - It has taken eleven years to finally find homes for all the murals and the Archives is glad to see that task completed.

C. Sholberg noted that he will be working with the Parks, Recreation and Culture Department on the mural project.

d) Nanaimo District and Museum

D. Hill-Turner was not present.

e) Design Advisory Panel

J. Hofman noted:

- The Planning Dept. is currently working on the Downtown Design Guidelines and so far the preliminary work looks very good.
- No other items of heritage interest.

9. LATE ITEM:

C. Sholberg distributed copies of a newspaper article on the closure of the Northfield Alternate School. He also noted that:

- The building is on the Heritage Register and appears to be in good shape.
- The building has potential for other uses.

Comment from the Commission:

- Believe there is an issue over ownership of the property between the School District and descendants of the original owner.

10. NEXT MEETING:

The next regular meeting is scheduled for 2007-June-06 and will be held at the Miner's Cottage.

11. ADJOURNMENT:

The meeting adjourned at 6:20 p.m.

APPROVED:

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Chair

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Date