CITY OF NANAIMO

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE NANAIMO COMMUNITY HERITAGE COMMISSION HELD ON WEDNESDAY, 2006-OCT-04 AT 5:00 P.M. IN THE BOARD ROOM, CITY HALL, 455 WALLACE STREET

Present: John Hofman, Chair Councillor Loyd Sherry Charlene Riches

David Hill-Turner

Blake McGuffie

Staff:

Chris Sholberg, Heritage Planner Fran Grant, Recording Secretary

Regrets: Christine Meutzner Dallas Dowson-Buffalo

Bill Gard

Geraldine Manson

Guest: Joan Perry

1. Call To Order:

The meeting was called to order by Chair J. Hofman at 5:06 p.m.

C. Sholberg introduced Joan Perry, a past member of the Commission. J. Perry added that she would be interested in volunteering to help out on any of the Commission's projects.

Karen Hovestad

2. Adoption Of Minutes 2006-Sept.-06:

Put over to the next meeting as a quorum was not present.

3. Budget Review:

- C. Sholberg noted that
- There is \$3474 of uncommitted funds available.
- Will discuss the work plan at the next meeting to see if there are any projects that can make use of these funds.

4. Late Items:

5. Correspondence, Periodicals, Newsletters:

a) Nanaimo Arts Council Newsletter

For information.

- b) Request for New Canada Museums Policy Letter to Federal Government
 - C. Sholberg noted that:

- The agenda package also contains background information for the letter.
- Gave a brief explanation of the purpose of the letter.
- c) Morden Mine Newsletter

For information.

d) Historical Society Newsletter

For information.

6. New Business:

- a) 10 Year Official Community Plan Review Overview of Process Community Conference Nov. 18.
 - C. Sholberg noted that:
 - The review has just started and is expected to take approximately one year to complete.
 - Kick off is a community conference being held at Malaspina University-College on Nov. 18 from 9:00 to 4:00 p.m.
 - The conference will be split into two sessions: morning session for presentations and the afternoon will consists of round-table discussions to get feedback from attendees on what changes to the OCP they would like to see.
 - A backgrounder for each of the five goals will be published in the local paper in the weeks leading up to the conference.
 - Attendance will be by registration and there is no charge.
 - NCHC members are encouraged to attend.
 - The Commission will be asked for feedback throughout the process.
 - The OCP review will be kept on the Commission's agenda until it has been completed.
 - NCHC members are welcome to attend PNAC meetings if they wish.

D Hill-Turner, the Commission's representative on PNAC, added that:

- Need to look at heritage in the broader community and not just the downtown.
- Look at heritage values in things other than structures.
- He can pass along any concerns or comments from the Commission to the consultant at PNAC meetings.
- C. Sholberg added that Commission members can also send him their comments or concern on the review and he will pass them to the consultants.

7. Old Business:

- a) Historic Sites and Monuments Board Nomination Biological Station and Newcastle Island status
 - D. Hill-Turner distributed copies of the application to Commission members and noted that:
 - More important than the buildings was looking at it as a place where very important research has been done and recognition of the key researchers.

- Station staff did a lot of the research work for the application.
- Once all the letters of support have been received, one of which will be from the City, the application will be sent to HSBC.
- Station staff are hoping that approval of the application will come in time to add it to their centennial celebration in 2006.
- C. Sholberg thanked D. Hill-Turner for all his hard work in completeing this project and advised that he will send a report to Council requesting a letter of support or determine whether Council endorsement for application from 2004 is still applicable.
- b) Heritage Paint/Shoot-Out debrief
 - C. Sholberg noted that:
 - The event went well and the turnout was comparable to last year.
 - Will e-mail pictures of the event to NCHC members.
 - Some of the art is on display at the Arts Council Gallery.
- c) Heritage Register Update status
 - C. Sholberg noted that the report has gone to Council and they approved the six new entries to the register.
- d) Harewood Heritage Walk Brochure status
 - C. Sholberg advised that:
 - As C. Meutzner is currently unable to work on this project, perhaps this is a project that J. Perry could help with.
 - Would cost approximately \$1800 to design and print the brochure.

8. Late Items:

- a) Piper Park:
 - C. Sholberg advised that:
 - Has not heard that the planning process has started.
 - A report went to Council that said this will be a public process.
 - Will ask the Parks Dept. when process is expected to start.

Comment from the Commission:

- Very concerned that the trees will be taken down before the public process starts.
 Can the Commission get a commitment from the City that this will not happen?
- b) Foundry:
 - C. Sholberg distributed copies of a newspaper article regarding the foundry site and advised that:
 - The City will get the property needed for the road right of way.
 - The building itself will become the property of the Snuneymuxw First Nation
 - The future of the building will be up to the First Nation.
 - Hope there will be some opportunity for discussion and perhaps potential for partnership with the SFN.

- c) Volunteer Appreciation Dinner:
 - C. Sholberg noted that Council is planning to hold an appreciation dinner in January or February for volunteer members of all the committees of Council.

9. Committee Reports

- a) Plan Nanaimo Advisory Committee
 - D. Hill-Turner noted that:
 - Consultants gave a presentation of the OCP 10 year review process.
 - The Committee will be the main body giving feedback on the process.
- b) Snuneymuxw First Nation
 - G. Manson was not present at the meeting.
- c) Nanaimo Community Archives Society
 - C. Meutzner was not present at the meeting.
- d) Nanaimo District and Museum
 - D. Hill-Turner noted that:
 - New exhibit opening Oct. 17 "Count your pennies" sponsored by the Bank of Canada.
 - Hosting the launch of Jan Peterson's new book on Sat., Oct. 21, starting at 1:00 p.m. with a book signing.
- e) Design Advisory Panel
 - J. Hofman noted that there were no items related to heritage.

10. Next Meeting

The next regular meeting is scheduled for 2006-Nov.-01.

11. Adjournment:

The meeting adjourned at 6:40 p.m.	APPROVED:	
	Chair	
	Date	