

The Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Community Heritage Commission, held in the Blaney Room, Maple Ridge City Hall, 11995 Haney Place, Maple Ridge, British Columbia, on Thursday, September 14, 2017 at 7:00 pm

COMMISSION MEMBERS PRESENT

Brenda Smith, Chair	Maple Ridge Historical Society
Councillor Craig Speirs	Council Liaison
Eric Phillips	Member at Large
Julie Koehn	Maple Ridge Historical Society
Kevin Bennett	Member at Large
Len Pettit	Member at Large
Lindsay Foreman	Member at Large
Steven Ranta, Vice-Chair	Member at Large

STAFF PRESENT

Lisa Zosiak	Staff Liaison, Community Planner
Sunny Schiller	Committee Clerk

GUESTS

Erica Williams	President, Maple Ridge Historical Society
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REGRETS/ABSENT

Russell Irvine	Member at Large
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1. CALL TO ORDER

There being a quorum present, the Chair called the meeting to order at 7:10 pm and introductions were made.

2. AGENDA ADOPTION

R17-025

It was moved and seconded

That the agenda dated September 14, 2017 be amended to add Item 6.1 Maple Ridge Fresh Sheet, to delete Item 8.2.2 Nominations - Haney House and be adopted as amended.

CARRIED

3. MINUTES APPROVAL

R17-026

It was moved and seconded

That the Minutes of the June 8, 2017 meeting be approved.

CARRIED

4. DELEGATIONS

4.1 Lindsay Foreman – Haney House Update

Lindsay Foreman gave an overview of Haney House restoration work done over the summer and planned for the fall. The existing Conservation Plan was reviewed. Ms. Foreman shared some of her findings from volunteering at Haney House. Plans for future for future consideration were discussed.

5. FINANCE

5.1 Financial Update

The Chair provided an update on the CHC budget.

R17-027

It was moved and seconded

That the 2018 CHC budget and Business Plan be approved as presented.

CARRIED

6. CORRESPONDENCE

6.1 Maple Ridge Fresh Sheet

A new communications tool provided by the Economic Development office was shared. The Maple Ridge Fresh Sheet lists upcoming community and is updated weekly. Contact info@investmapleridge.ca to be added to the distribution list.

7. NEW & UNFINISHED BUSINESS

7.1 Membership

7.1.1 Calendar of Events

The Chair reviewed the calendar of events. A presentation to Council is planned for October 19, 2017.

7.2 Cultural Plan Update

The Chair provided an update on the Cultural Plan. The Plan is currently being drafted for Council review.

7.3 Tourism Strategy Update

No update.

7.4 Canada 150

The Chair thanked Kevin Bennett for all his work on the geocaching project. This has been a very successful project that has engaged over 200 members of the public. Plans for the future were discussed.

The Reminisce Kits launch is set for September 30, 2017 at the Maple Ridge Library, as part of Culture Days.

7.5 Private Members Tax Credit

No update until Parliament resumes sitting.

7.5 Haney House Conservation Work

The Chair thanked Lindsay Foreman, Erica Williams and everyone else who has volunteered in the work at Haney House.

7.6 GETI Fest Invite

Plans to distribute CHC pamphlets at GETIFest coming up this weekend were discussed.

7.7 Intersections Event

The Committee Clerk provided an update on Intersections, a volunteer appreciation and networking event planned for fall 2017.

8. SUBCOMMITTEE REPORTS

8.1 Communications Subcommittee

The Chair raised the issue of the need for Communications support for Advisory Committees.

8.1.1 Request to Council for Communications Support

Plans to communicate the need for Communications support to Council were discussed.

8.2 Recognitions Subcommittee

8.2.1 Heritage Week Subcommittee

Kevin Bennett reported the subcommittee met earlier in the evening to review plans for Heritage Week 2018. Members were encouraged to put forward nominations.

8.3 Education Subcommittee

8.3.1 Local Voices

Lindsay Foreman reported on the Local Voices sessions planned for fall.

8.3.2 Heritage BC

Lindsay Foreman shared information available from Heritage BC including online presentations, workshops and webinars.

8.3.3 BC Heritage Fairs

Lindsay Foreman provided information on BC Heritage Fairs available for students. It was suggested that School District 42 be contacted to investigate participating in the program.

8.4 Maple Ridge Oral History Project

Steve Ranta provided an update on the Oral History Project. Mr. Ranta is communicating with School District 42 staff about participating in the project.

8.5 Digitization Project Subcommittee

The Chair reported on the new archive centre. Records still remain to be digitized.

8.6 Heritage Inventory Project Update

The Staff Liaison reported on the Heritage Inventory update project. The draft plan will be presented to Council once it is reviewed by the subcommittee.

8.7 Heritage Register Update

The Chair reported a Request for Proposals will need to be drafted for the Heritage Register project.

8.8 Robertson Family Cemetery Project Subcommittee

The Staff Liaison shared progress made on the Robertson Family Cemetery project over the summer.

8.9 Museum and Archives Update

Councillor Speirs reported on the Facilities update project. The need for new museum space and archive storage will be communicated at the fall CHC presentation to Council.

8.10 BCMA Site Visit to Maple Ridge

The Chair has invited staff from the BC Museums Association and Heritage BC for a Maple Ridge heritage tour.

9. LIAISON UPDATES

9.1 BC Historical Federation

The Chair shared the latest version of the BC Historical Federation newsletter. Information on country schools is being sought for upcoming issues.

9.2 Heritage BC

Previously dealt with under Item 8.10.

9.3 BC Museums Association

BC Museums Association staff updates were shared by the Chair.

9.4 Maple Ridge Historical Society

Julie Koehn shared an update on Maple Ridge Historical Society events over the summer. Music on the Wharf was very successful this year. Four summer students supported various projects in the community. Upcoming events include Rivers Day, Culture Days, Speaking of Art and History.

9.5 Council Liaison

Councillor Speirs enjoyed the opening of Modern Legends at the ACT Arts Centre. The new ACT Arts Centre program is now available. Culture Days is coming up on September 29, 30 and October 1.

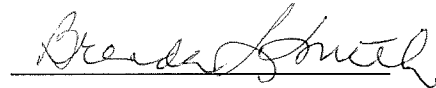
10. QUESTION PERIOD

11. ROUNDTABLE

Lindsay Foreman encouraged members to visit the Sonny Assu art exhibit at the Reach gallery in Abbotsford.

12. ADJOURNMENT

It was moved that the meeting be adjourned at 9:30 pm.



Chair

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