

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 October 11, 2018 at 7:03 pm.

**COMMISSION MEMBERS PRESENT** 

Brenda Smith, Chair

Maple Ridge Historical Society

Eric Phillips

Member at Large

Julie Koehn

Maple Ridge Historical Society

Len Pettit

Member at Large

Russell Irvine

Member at Large

STAFF PRESENT

Amelia Bowden

Staff Liaison, Planner 1

Amanda Allen

Committee Clerk

**ABSENT** 

Councillor Craig Speirs

Council Liaison

Lindsay Foreman, Vice Chair

Member at Large

Note: Councillor Speirs was not in attendance.

### 1. CALL TO ORDER

The Chair noted the resignation of Steve Ranta from the Commission and shared appreciation for the years of volunteerism by Mr. Ranta and Councillor Speirs.

## 2. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

R/2018-049

It was moved and seconded

That the agenda for the October 11, 2018 Community Heritage Commission meeting be approved as circulated.

**CARRIED** 

# 3. ADOPTION OF MINUTES

R/2018-050

It was moved and seconded

That the minutes of the Maple Ridge Community Heritage Commission meeting dated September 13, 2018 be adopted.

**CARRIED** 

### 4. DELEGATIONS

## 4.1. Statements of Significance

Donald Luxton, Principal, Donald Luxton & Associates Inc.

Mr. Luxton gave a presentation on the draft Statements of Significance prepared for the City of Maple Ridge. Mr. Luxton reviewed and invited feedback on the eleven sites: the Whitehead property, the Sparling Residence, the Mussallem Residence, the Bank of Montreal, the Port Haney Post Office, the Turnock/Morse Residence, the Beeton/Daykin Residence, Westacre Farms, Jackson Farm, Spencer Milk House and the Miller Residence and property. There was discussion on the sites and possible leads for Mr. Luxton to find additional information on the history of Cecil Duncan Forrest's sale of Westacre Farms.

#### 5. FINANCE

# 5.1. Financial Update

Amended as per November 8, 2018 Russell Irvine provided an update of the 2018 financial statement. The information was discussed by the Commission members. Mr. Irvine noted that there are funds not yet directly committed to Commission projects.

# 5.2. Robertson Cemetery

The Staff liaison reviewed the latest developments in the process to acquire Robertson Cemetery. The Staff liaison provided clarification on the requirements requested by the Land Title Office in order to resubmit the defected notice. There was discussion the Commission equally splitting the costs of the required additional work with the Planning Department.

# R/2018-051

It was moved and seconded

That the Community Heritage Commission provide a maximum of \$1000.00 to commence the additional survey research by Target Land Surveying to resolve the Land Title Office land transfer defect for the Robertson's Cemetery property.

**CARRIED** 

## 5.3. Business Plan 2019-2023

For information. There was discussion of preparing a letter to accompany the Business Plan when presented to Council.

## 6. **CORRESPONDENCE** – Nil

## 7. NEW AND UNFINISHED BUSINESS

#### 7.1. 2019 Committee Recruitment

The Committee Clerk advised current members of term expiries and reported on the 2019 recruitment process.

## 8. **SUBCOMMITTEE REPORTS**

#### 8.1. Communications

### 8.1.1. Fall Calendar

The Chair reminded of upcoming events as presented in September.

## 8.2. Recognitions

The Chair encouraged members to distribute Heritage Awards Nomination brochures and submit nominations.

## 8.2.1. Heritage Week 2019

The Chair encouraged a November meeting for the subcommittee.

### 8.3. Education

#### 8.3.1. Local Voices

The Chair advised that the guest speakers for November 5, 2018 Local Voices include Vicki McLeod, Kat Wahamaa and Herb Bryce and that subscription to the Local Voices electronic newsletter continues to increase.

### 8.3.2. BC Heritage Fairs

The Chair advised that the 2019 packages have not yet been released.

## 8.4. Digitization

The Chair reported that the BC History Digitization Program is accepting submissions for project funding and that successful applicants will be provided matching funds for projects chosen that make content freely available. The Chair has been in discussion with the Records Management Coordinator who has requested Commission input and feedback on the grant application.

The Staff liaison reviewed the digitization update report and the different options for consideration. There was discussion that the subcommittee will work to detail a complete plan for future review.

### R/2018-052

It was moved and seconded

That the Community Heritage Commission send a letter of support for the BC History Digitization Program grant to form part of the grant application by the City of Maple Ridge.

CARRIED

Note: Russell Irvine left the meeting 9:07pm and did not return.

## 8.5. Heritage Resources Program

The Staff liaison advised of options to proceed with identifying and hiring a consultant for the Heritage Incentive project. There was discussion on how to proceed with the project.

R/2018-053

It was moved and seconded

That Donald Luxton & Associates' current contract be extended for the Heritage Incentive Project in the amount of \$10,000.00.

CARRIED

- 8.6. Master Conservation Plan Nil
- 9. LIAISON UPDATES
- 9.1. BC Historical Federation Nil
- 9.2. Heritage BC Nil
- 9.3. BC Museums Association Nil
- 9.4. Maple Ridge Historical Society

Julie Koehn shared information from the September 27, 2018 Historical Society Board meeting and provided an update on the funds raised at the 2018 Music on the Wharf concert series. Ms. Koehn advised that the National Trust for Canada has set the theme for celebrating Heritage Week 2019 as 'Heritage: The Tie that Binds'. A Speaking of Art and History event is scheduled October 18, 2018 at the ACT with guest speaker Melanie Talkington who will be sharing her collection of antique Victorian corsets.

- 9.5. Council Liaison Nil
- 9.6. Staff Liaison Nil
- 10. **QUESTION PERIOD** Nil
- 11. **ROUNDTABLE -** Nil
- 12. **ADJOURNMENT -** 9:19 pm.

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