

CITY OF SALMON ARM

Minutes of the **Community Heritage Commission** Meeting held by in-person means on **Monday, June 17, 2024, at 2:00 p.m.**

PRESENT:

Cindy Malinowski, R.J. Haney Heritage & Museum
Mary Landers
Linda Painchaud
Deborah Chapman, R.J. Haney Heritage & Museum
Councillor David Gonella, Chair
Morgan Paiement, City of Salmon Arm, Recorder (Staff non-voting)
Leanne Dorish, Guest (non-voting)

ABSENT:

Pat Kassa, R.J. Haney Heritage & Museum

The meeting was called to order at 2:02 p.m.

1. Introductions and Welcome

2. Acknowledgement of Traditional Territory

We acknowledge that we are gathering here on the traditional territory of the Secwepemc people, with whom we share these lands and where we live and work together.

3. Approval / changes / additions to Agenda

Moved: Mary Landers

Seconded: Deborah Chapman

THAT: the Agenda for the June 17, 2024, Community Heritage Commission Meeting be approved.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

4. Approval of Minutes of May 6, 2024 Community Heritage Commission Meeting

Moved: Linda Painchaud

Seconded: Deborah Chapman

THAT: the minutes of the Community Heritage Commission Meeting of May 6, 2024, be approved.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

5. Old Business from Minutes

a) Historic Route Signs

City Staff provided confirmation that Haney can use the CHC route sign design for a sign on their property. This would be treated the same way as when a member of the public wants to buy a sign for decoration. It was clarified that the City would not maintain the sign.

The CHC discussed adding more statements of significance to the Heritage Register.

Moved: Deborah Chapman

Seconded: Mary Landers

THAT: the Community Heritage Commission consider the statements of significance for the following at the next meeting:

- A.D. Meek Filling Station
- Broadview School
- Mt. Ida Church
- Pidhirney House
- Laitinen House
- Peterson Barn
- Queest Lookout Tower
- Chinese Cook House
- J. P. Shaw Log Cabin
- Old Enderby Road

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

City Staff will find out where the Hedgman's Corner sign is and if it was ever installed.

b) Heritage Conservation Awards and Heritage Week Procedure Documents

Deferred to next meeting.

c) Plaque Program

The Plaque Committee met and discussed possible locations for future plaques. Some options included Salmar Classic Theatre, the old Downtown Activity Centre, Merchant's Block, Canoe United Church, and the Salvation Army. No final decisions were made. The Plaque Committee decided that a high quality design installed over a longer period of time was the best approach. It was suggested that the Plaque Committee look in files for previous research, talk with the Makerspace about 3D printing the plaques, and bring 3 design options to the September CHC meeting. City Staff will clarify if the CHC reserve money rolls over into the next budget cycle.

d) On This Spot App

Through email correspondence, Pat brought to the CHC's attention that an On This Spot meeting occurred in April/May with representatives from R.J. Haney Heritage and Museum, Downtown Salmon Arm, Shuswap Tourism, and Salmon Arm Economic Development Society (SAEDS). Salmon Arm Visitor's Services was invited but was unable to attend. The CHC was not invited. SAEDS apologized for forgetting to invite the CHC and reassured that the CHC would be invited to the next meeting in the fall. The consensus of the meeting was that the On This Spot app should keep going, however there is not a lot of energy or money to do anything this year. Deborah provided an update on costs. Andrew at On This Spot estimated he would charge \$150 per additional location added to the app if we do the research and provide the photos. The estimate is approximate and not carved in stone.

e) Membership

Terry Johnston has stepped down from the CHC. The Commission would like to thank Terry for his service and the knowledge he brought to many projects.

An advertisement was posted May 23rd for a Citizen at Large to fill the vacancy for the rest of the term expiring August 26, 2025. The deadline to apply was June 14th. No applications were received. The vacancy will be advertised again shortly. City Staff will notify CHC members when it is reposted so that they can share it with their networks.

6. New Business

a) Email regarding Wright/Lund Pond

Some members of the public have brought to City Staff's attention concerns about the name of a park with a pond in Canoe. The City's Parks and Recreation Master Plan identifies the park and pond at 4800 70 Avenue NE as "John Lund Park." Members of the community have explained that the pond is located on land that was owned and farmed by the Wright family and has been known as "Wright's Pond." Emails received by City Staff regarding this matter were shared with the CHC. A larger conversation was had about the process of naming streets and parks and consulting the families involved and affected. City Staff will have a discussion with the CAO and provide an update at the next meeting. The CHC agreed that these are conversations that need to continue to happen.

b) Email from the Okanagan Historical Society

The Okanagan Historical Society (OHS) has applied for the Community Anniversaries Canadian Heritage grant to support the events they are planning for their 100th anniversary. The grant providers have asked them to provide evidence that there is support for their celebration in each Municipality. The OHS is not asking the City for funding, but is asking the City to provide support for their events.

Moved: Mary Landers

Seconded: Deborah Chapman

THAT: the request be forwarded to Council with the recommendation from the Community Heritage Commission that Council provide a letter of support.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

7. Other Business &/or Roundtable Updates

a) Okanagan Historical Society Lunch Session

Deborah discussed the Okanagan Historical Society Lunch Session that she attended where she represented the CHC and spoke about the Commission's ongoing projects. She said it went well and was a great opportunity for community outreach.

8. Next Meeting

Monday September 16, 2024, at 2:00 p.m.

9. Adjournment

Moved: Linda Painchaud

Seconded: Deborah Chapman

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THAT: the Community Heritage Commission Meeting of June 17, 2024, adjourn at 3:22 p.m.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

“D. GONELLA”
David Gonella, Chair

Received for information by Council on the 12 day of August, 2024

