



CITY OF YELLOWKNIFE

MINUTES

HERITAGE COMMITTEE
Wednesday, January 20, 2016 at 12:00 p.m.
Lower Boardroom, City Hall

Minutes of a meeting held on Wednesday, January 20, 2016 at 12:03 p.m. in the Lower Boardroom at City Hall.

The following Committee members were in attendance:

Chair: Councillor Morse,
D. Finch,
S. Irlbacher-Fox,
K. Luce-Vivian,
R. McKeown, and
D. Ritchie.

The following Committee members were absent:

A. Cartwright,
Mayor M. Heyck,
D. Kellett, and
E. Purchase.

The following members of Administration were in attendance:

J. Humble,
W. Yu,
J. Larsen, and
L. Dunsmore, Recording Secretary.

Call to Order

1. The Chair called the meeting to order at 12:03 p.m.

Disclosure of Pecuniary Interest

2. There were no disclosures of pecuniary interest.



Approval of Agenda

3. R. McKeown moved,
D. Finch seconded,

That the Agenda be approved.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Approval of Minutes of Previous Meeting

4. S. Irlbacher-Fox moved,
D. Finch seconded,

That the Minutes of the meeting held on December 16, 2015 be approved.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

In-Camera Meeting

5. The Committee moved in-camera to discuss a personnel issue at 12:10 p.m.
6. The in-camera session ended and the Committee resumed its regular meeting at 12:40 p.m.

Heritage Days

7. With little time left to plan and coordinate Heritage Days, some members thought the event should be cancelled this year. The Chair suggested that the February event go ahead on a scaled-back basis and encouraged the committee to take advantage of upcoming opportunities to provide a Heritage Committee presence at other organizations' events.

Members were asked to advise Administration about what needed to be done, and City staff would be mobilized to help as necessary. Last year, the City's events coordinator assisted with Music at the Wildcat on the Friday night. The Committee would appreciate this employee's help again this year. The Chair offered to ask Ryan McCord, last year's MC, to help book the performers.

A member reminded the group that it was necessary to pass a motion regarding expenditures for Heritage Days.

8. D. Finch moved,
D. Ritchie seconded,

That the Heritage Committee request the approval of City Council to spend up to \$5,000 on Heritage Days activities that will take place from February 19 to 21, 2016.

MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY



Administration suggested that Bobby Drygeese be asked to provide interpretation, from the Yellowknives Dene perspective, for the heritage bus tour on the Saturday. The Committee agreed, and Administration will continue trying to contact him. If Mr. Drygeese is not available, members would like to hire My Backyard Tours, the company that did the bus tour last year.

Members offered to contact staff at the museum about the feasibility of having a joint event (e.g. Amazing Sundays) in the museum's auditorium.

The Committee wanted to have a special meeting prior to Heritage Days to review the arrangements for the event. Most members found February 10, 2016 to be the most convenient date.

Heritage Share

9. a) Tale of a Town – This is a national theatre and media initiative touring communities across Canada to gather and share main street stories, leading up to Canada's 150th anniversary in 2017. At the request of the Committee, Administration looked into the project and confirmed that the Heritage Committee Reserve Fund could cover the cost of participating (approx. \$10,000). It will be necessary to pass a motion to use the funds.

- b) Long John Jamboree – In response to a question from the Committee, Administration confirmed that the Long John Jamboree Society is not eligible for funding by the Heritage Committee, because it already receives a core grant from the City. A member asked if the NWT Mining Heritage Society (MHS) received any form of City funding that would make it ineligible for a grant from the Heritage Committee. The member said an opportunity had come up for the Committee to partner with the MHS to do an event at the Long John Jamboree.

Next Scheduled Meeting

10. The next regular meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, February 17, 2016.

Adjournment

11. K. Luce-Vivian moved,
S. Irlbacher-Fox seconded,

That the meeting be adjourned at 1:05 p.m.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY