



CITY OF YELLOWKNIFE

HERITAGE COMMITTEE
Thursday, September 19, 2019 at 12:00 p.m.
City Hall, Upper Boardroom

MINUTES

Minutes of a meeting held on Thursday, September 19, 2019 at 12:00 p.m. in the Upper Boardroom at City Hall.

The following Committee members were in attendance:

Chair: Mayor R. Alty,
S. Allerston,
G. Cochrane,
D. Finch,
L. Gordon, and
E. Purchase.

The following members of Administration were in attendance:

G. White,
C. Hand,
R. Lok,
D. Lucas, and
B. Poeschek.

Call to Order

1. The Chair called the meeting to order at 12:10 p.m.

Disclosure of Pecuniary Interest

2. There were no disclosures of pecuniary interest.

Approval of Agenda

3. L. Gordon moved,
D. Finch seconded,

That the agenda be approved as amended to include a discussion regarding True North Rotary/Back Bay Cemetery.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Approval of Minutes

4. G. Cochrane moved,
S. Allerston seconded,

That the Minutes of the meeting held on August 15, 2019 be approved.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY



Discussion with Community Services – Bristol Freighter Repainting

5. Administration introduced the Director of Community Services and the Manager of Corporate Services and Risk Assessment, in attendance to summarize the Bristol Freighter Repainting Project. Community Services outlined the Request for Proposals (“RFP”) procedure and associated costs when the plane was last repainted in the nineties compared to current funding requirements, as well as concerns due to inflation and changes in safety regulations, and competing priority projects underway for 2020-2022.

Community Services noted previous attempts to tender the work returned quotes nearly double that of past repainting costs. Administration responded to questions from Committee on the City’s procurement process and discussed potential options and next steps.

Action Item: Community Services will conduct an assessment of the plane’s current condition and bring forward an analysis of results together with recommendations to Committee at a future meeting. Committee will then give consideration to funding the repainting.

Administration Update

6. Administration provided an update on the following items:
- a. Ski Club Plaque – Request for Comments
 - b. Intercultural Placemaking Plan – Project Implementation Update
 - c. Community Plan Review
- a. Administration discussed communication received from the Yellowknife Ski Club, requesting Committees’ feedback on their installation of a plaque on the chalet.

Action Item: Administration will respond to Yellowknife Ski Club.

- b. Administration provided an update on the Intercultural Placemaking Plan (“IPP”) which led into a discussion on the Wayfinding Strategy (“Strategy”). Administration indicated it will report back to Committee over the next several meetings as an implementation plan is drafted for the Wayfinding Strategy. Committee and Administration further discussed the importance of maintaining consistency between both the Strategy and the IPP.

Action Item: Administration is to circulate the Wayfinding Strategy by e-mail, as well as report to Committee at a future meeting with findings on collaborating with Yellowknives Dene First Nation.

- c. Administration provided an update on the Community Plan review process.

Action Item: Administration will make a presentation to Committee at the next meeting on the Community Plan Review.

Heritage Resource Working Group Discussion

7. The Heritage Resource Working Group (“Working Group”) provided an update to Committee and Administration regarding:
- Yellowknife Neighborhoods – Research Group & Event Night Updates
 - Heritage Fair – Contact Progress (L. Gordon)

The Working Group indicated there is no update on the Yellowknife Neighborhoods initiative, and L. Gordon reported on continued attempts to establish contact with Heritage Fair organizers. Committee recommended the Working Group publish a one-pager for teachers and students on this initiative.



Action Item: L. Gordon will provide further updates to Committee as they become available.

New Grant Review Committee/Heritage Committee Working Group – Nomination of Members

8. Committee provided background regarding City Council’s Motion passed, “That a working group be struck made up of the following representatives: The Grant Review Committee, Three members of the Heritage Committee; [and] Representation from Administration as appropriate...” Further details as well as the task timelines were also reviewed. A discussion took place regarding nominating three members of Committee to sit on the new working group. Two members volunteered (G. Cochrane, D. Finch), while Committee deliberated appointing Councilor J. Morse as the third.

True North Rotary – Back Bay Cemetery (D. Finch)

9. D. Finch disclosed his intention to step down from Committee in December, noting the necessity to maintain contact with True North Rotary (“TNR”) on restoration work in Back Bay Cemetery, signage and traffic control options, site protection, and recognition of TNR’s work. D. Finch also noted TNR’s request that a Committee representative attend their meeting in October, further to ongoing dialogue concerning a TNR representative meeting with Committee regularly. D. Finch volunteered to attend unless objected; the Chair proposed that Administration or a City Council representative attend as well, to speak on behalf of the City.

Action Item: D. Finch will send his last e-mail communication with TNR to the Chair, who will work with Administration to put forth a suggested designated Committee representative to meet with TNR.

Further Business

10. Committee briefly discussed the Historical Society’s application for designation of the Giant Mine Recreation Hall. D. Finch provided answers to questions posed by Administration.

Action Item: D. Finch will obtain further information on this designation initiative by the Historical Society and update Administration at the next meeting.

11. Committee questioned the possibility of reviewing Funding Program applications at the next meeting.

Next Scheduled Meeting

12. The next meeting is scheduled for Thursday, October 17, 2019.

Adjournment

13. The meeting was adjourned at 12:54 p.m.

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