



HERITAGE ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Wednesday, February 6, 2019 at 7:00pm
Salmon River Committee Room
4th Floor, 20338 – 65 Avenue, Langley, BC

MINUTES

Present:

T. Annandale, Community Co-Chair
Councillor B. Long, Council Co-Chair

C. Boughen, A. Cappon, G. Doubleday, T. Lightfoot, W. Mufford, F. Pepin, M. Pratt, and
H. Whittell

Guest:

E. Lees, Lees + Associates

Staff:

T. Buckner, Manager Park Operations
E. Horricks, Heritage Planner
T. Magnusson, GIS Analyst
V. Spearn, Acting Cultural Services Manager
K. Stepto, Recording Secretary

A. APPROVAL AND RECEIPT OF AGENDA ITEMS

1. Heritage Advisory Committee February 6, 2019

Moved by G. Doubleday,
Seconded by H. Whittell,
That the Heritage Advisory Committee approve the agenda and receive the
agenda items of the February 6, 2019 meeting.

CARRIED

B. ADOPTION OF MINUTES

1. Heritage Advisory Committee January 9, 2019

Moved by M. Pratt,
Seconded by G. Doubleday,
That the Heritage Advisory Committee adopt the minutes of the January 9, 2019
meeting.

CARRIED

C. DELEGATIONS AND PRESENTATIONS

1. Taking the Community Heritage Register Online

E. Horricks reported that the “Langley’s Historic Places” web application will launch on the Township’s website on February 18 to coincide with Heritage Week. Development of the web application marks the culmination of two action items in the Heritage Strategy’s Implementation Plan related to Goal 7, which is to Update Heritage Policies in an Integrated Planning Framework, and Goal 8, which is to Make Heritage Information Accessible to the Public. The first of these actions, 7.8.1, was the development of a Historic Context Statement & Thematic Framework for Langley, which Council endorsed in 2017. This work provided the framework from which to understand and assess our historic places, as well as the necessary background for fulfilling action 8.1.2, which is to provide online access to the Community Heritage Register.

The storyboard combines an abridged version of Our Shared History with visuals, maps, and links to historic statements on each of the registered sites. Additional statements of significance will be added to the application over the coming year as they are reviewed by the committee and finalized. Currently there are sixty-four sites on the register, two thirds of which are legally protected through various conservation instruments.

T. Magnusson provided a visual preview of the web application, noting that it has been designed as a multi-platform tool that can be viewed on laptops, smart phones, tablets etc. The application is built on our existing geographic information system allowing a depth of information to be conveyed to the user. He noted that the mapping tool is highly interactive and offers the user the option to explore the register at a general or more detailed level. The main page defaults to the key map showing Langley’s registered and historic sites. The application combines multiple layers of information of historic interest, including Langley’s early transportation routes, railways, and historic road names, etc. The contextual narrative and thematic framework that provides the running narrative for the application is displayed on a scrolling ribbon located on the left side of the screen.

The committee asked questions about the application and commended staff for their time and effort in creating an engaging application that showcases Langley’s registered sites.

2. Proposed Plan for the Fort Langley Cemetery

T. Buckner reported that staff contracted the services of Lees + Associates to conduct a comprehensive operational review of the cemeteries in the Township of Langley. A series of priority projects arose from that review, including the need to urgently address capacity within the Fort Langley Cemetery, which is low on inventory and down to five remaining burial sites.

E. Lees presented the proposed expansion plan for the Fort Langley Cemetery. He noted the heritage significance of the site and indicated that the proposed expansion will provide for:

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- New in-ground burial and cremation options;
- Upright and flat markers;
- Expanded Columbaria and Scattering Gardens;
- Maintenance Building improvements;
- Relocated operations yard; and
- Upgrades to the site boundary and parking lot.

He added that the proposed bookend layout for the cremation gardens preserves the open lawn quality of the adjacent cemetery section. It also expands the columbaria and scattering garden capacity without disturbing internments. The proposed gravel surfacing for this area will match the existing, and provides for bench seating and boundary hedges and trees.

A proposed interment and memorialization plan showing in-ground burial lots with and without upright markers, cremation lots, family cremation lots, scattering gardens and columbaria was presented to the committee for comment. The project will be completed in three phases, over what is expected to be a fifteen to twenty-five year period.

The Heritage Advisory Committee was unanimous in expressing support for the proposed expansion and phasing plans.

A photo of the committee was taken for the Township website.

D. REPORTS

1. Co-Chairs' Reports

Councillor Long reported that Council endorsed the HAC 2019 Work Plan, and that Council approved a heritage assessment for the Aldergrove Fire Hall. He also noted that the plaque for the Telegraph Trail Cairn, located at Telegraph Trail and Glover Road, appears to be missing.

2. Heritage Planner's Report

E. Horricks reported the following:

- The next deadline for applications to the Heritage Building Incentive Program is February 22 at 4:30pm.
- In response to a query raised at the last meeting regarding whether a salvage policy for heritage buildings exists in the Township, she reported that a specific salvage policy for heritage buildings does not currently exist. She noted that the Township is subject to provincial as well as Metro Vancouver regulations and bylaws regarding solid waste, with Hazardous Waste being managed in accordance with WorkSafe requirements. Contractors are obligated to dispose of solid waste in accordance with these regulations, but we do not currently take bonds to ensure that they do. She added that we do not lose many heritage buildings, and have been successful in encouraging salvage in those situations where the materials may be of value to other owners of

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heritage properties. However, as the Heritage Strategy recommends ongoing support of salvage efforts surrounding the deconstruction of heritage buildings, this may be something the committee could explore further when considering items for the 2020 work plan.

The committee expressed an interest in returning to the subject later in the year for further discussion.

- E. Horricks further commented that the Alder Grove Heritage Society will be re-opening the BC Telephone Museum throughout the day during Heritage Week. Committee members were encouraged to drop by and view the collection.

3. Museum Manager's Report

V. Spearn reported the following:

- The new exhibit entitled "Away" opened on January 20; the next exhibit will feature the works of Legh Kilpin from April 13- June 2.
- The Museum has applied for a grant to digitize some Langley Advance negatives for the period between 1970-1990, and the large accession from the Langley Speedway is almost complete.
- Programs will be offered during Heritage Week, including a Fort Langley walking tour, a cemetery tour and a Murrayville bus tour. A free, Family Day event will also take place on February 18 from 1:00 – 4:00pm.
- The museum is working on developing a 2019 summer program in partnership with the Kwantlen First Nation, to coincide with the "Living Languages" exhibit that will run from June to September. They are also working with the Canadian Museum of Flight to finalize a proposed volunteer-led school program, and helping them develop summer camps for a two-week trail run in July and August.
- The Museum has been nominated for a Fraser Valley Cultural Diversity Award for their Syrian Refugee Art show in 2018.
- One hundred and ninety five school programs were delivered in the 2018-2019 school year following a similar number in the previous year.

4. Heritage Review Panel

No report.

5. Douglas Day 2019 Planning Committee Report

No report.

6. Museum Advisory Group Report

F. Pepin reported that the Langley Heritage Society will be doing a "Partners Heritage Fair Day" in February at the Milner Chapel. This will be a networking and social opportunity for various heritage groups in the Township to work together and collaborate with the Society.

E. CORRESPONDENCE

1. Correspondence from P. McLay re: Heritage Road Marker for Milner

Further to a request from P. McLay to have a heritage road marker installed on the section of 64 Avenue between 216 Street and Glover Road (Highway 10) to recognize its historic road name as “Hog Alley”, staff provided supporting historic references for the early use of this name for the committee’s consideration. One marker in each direction on this road section (a total of two markers) would be adequate in identifying this early road’s association with hog farming.

MOTION

Moved by W. Mufford,

Seconded by G. Doubleday,

That the Heritage Advisory Committee endorse the installation of two Pioneer Road Markers on 64 Avenue between 216 Street and Glover Road (Highway 10) to recognize its historic name as “Hog Alley”.

CARRIED

COUNCIL

Moved by G. Doubleday,

Seconded by W. Mufford,

That the Heritage Advisory Committee recommends that Council endorse the installation of two Pioneer Road Markers on 64 Avenue between 216 Street and Glover Road (Highway 10) to recognize its historic name as “Hog Alley”.

CARRIED

F. 2019 WORK PROGRAM

1. Approved Work Plan for 2019

Provided on table for information.

G. COUNCIL REFERRALS

H. OTHER BUSINESS AND ITEMS FOR INFORMATION

1. Funding Opportunities

- a) Canada Cultural Spaces Fund
- b) National Cost-Sharing Program for Heritage Places
- c) Legacy Fund – Building Communities through Arts and Heritage

Provided in package for information.

H. OTHER BUSINESS AND ITEMS FOR INFORMATION

2. **National Trust/National Capital Commission Heritage Week Livestream:
“Reuse and Renewal: Designing Futures for Historic Places”
Thursday, February 14, 3:30pm – 5:30pm**

Provided in package for information.

3. **Heritage BC Annual Conference, “Interpreting Heritage: Identity, Culture,
Environment, May 9-11, Nanaimo BC**

Program information: <https://heritagebc.ca/events-activities/2019-heritage-bc-conference-interpreting-heritage-identity-culture-environment/>

N. NEXT MEETING

Date: Wednesday, March 6, 2019
Location: Salmon River Committee Room
4th Floor, 20338 – 65 Avenue
Time: 7:00pm

O. TERMINATE

Moved by G. Doubleday,
Seconded by H. Whittell,
That the meeting terminate at 8:34pm.
CARRIED

CERTIFIED CORRECT:

Community Representative Co-Chair

Council Representative Co-Chair