



HERITAGE ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Wednesday, January 6, 2021 at 7:10pm
via Zoom

MINUTES

Present:

C. Boughen, Community Co-Chair
Councillor M. Kunst, Council Co-Chair
Councillor B. Long, Council Co-Chair

T. Annandale, K. Gan, R. Genberg, S. Jacobsen, T. Lightfoot, F. Pepin, and H. Whittell

Staff:

J. Aldag, Cultural Services Manager
E. Horricks, Heritage Planner
K. Stepto, Recording Secretary

Election

T. Annandale nominated C. Boughen to be Community Co-Chair.
H. Whittell seconded the nomination.

C. Boughen was elected Co-Chair by acclamation and assumed the position for the rest of the meeting.

Code of Ethics Signing

Members signed the "*Code of Ethics, Confidentiality, and Conflict of Interest for Council Members and Appointees*" and submitted them electronically.

A. APPROVAL AND RECEIPT OF AGENDA ITEMS

1. Heritage Advisory Committee January 6, 2021

Moved by T. Annandale,
Seconded by F. Pepin,
That the Heritage Advisory Committee approve the agenda and receive the
agenda items of the January 6, 2021 meeting.

CARRIED

B. ADOPTION OF MINUTES

**1. Heritage Advisory Committee
December 2, 2020**

Moved by C. Boughen,
Seconded by R. Genberg,
That the Heritage Advisory Committee adopt the minutes of the
December 2, 2020 meeting.

CARRIED

New member, K. Gan, was introduced and roundtable introductions took place.

C. DELEGATIONS AND PRESENTATIONS

D. REPORTS

1. Co-Chairs' Reports

Councillor Long reported that Council received the committee's recommendation regarding the updated Heritage Evaluation System and will consider endorsement after they have received the report and presentation from staff.

2. Heritage Planner's Report

E. Horricks noted that the report and presentation on the proposed Heritage Evaluation System will go forward to Council on January 25. She noted that a new section on Intangible Cultural Heritage (ICH) has been added to the report following discussions at the last HAC meeting. ICH refers to the recognition of a broader range of non-physical heritage values and although there is increasing acknowledgement of ICH, the ability to recognize these values is limited by the current legislative framework. This has been especially challenging with respect to First Nations cultural heritage. One way municipalities can recognize ICH is through specific policy development in Official Community Plans (which the Township has already started to do) or other initiatives, such as cultural heritage strategies or localized policies, that are able to expand on these intangible values. For example, the proposed museum is a good example of how ICH values can be recognized with respect to First Nations.

The historic Alexander Houston Residence (a designated site) in Derby Reach will be undergoing some restorative maintenance work on the interior and the exterior in the months ahead by Metro Vancouver Parks. The house will receive new bathroom fixtures, new flooring, new cedar siding on the back of the house, and a new handrail cap on the front stairs. The work being undertaken is not extensive enough to require permitting.

Correspondence was received from a Langley resident seeking historical background on a barn built in 1950 located at 20423-4 Avenue. HAC members were asked to provide any information they may have.

D. REPORTS

The next deadline for the Heritage Building Incentive Program is February 26.

3. Museum Manager's Report

J. Aldag reported that the deconstruction of buildings on the lot for the proposed museum is underway, and that the third meeting with the First Nations groups regarding indigenous programming has been scheduled.

4. Heritage Review Panel

T. Annandale reported that the Murrayville Heritage Review Panel reviewed a revised two-lot subdivision proposal for the property located at 21393 Old Yale Road in the Murrayville Heritage Conservation Area, originally approved in November 2017. He noted that the new plans include some small revisions and re-juggling of the building layouts, while the site orientation and access to the proposed lots remains the same. Some of the changes include simpler treatment of the building finishes and landscaping, and replacing the fence with hedging in between the houses and around the lot.

The form and character of the two proposed residences was viewed to be well-conceived and very much in keeping with the Murrayville heritage guidelines. The Heritage Review Panel was unanimous in supporting the proposed revisions to this application.

MOTION

Moved by C. Boughen,

Seconded by T. Annandale,

That the Heritage Advisory Committee receive and endorse the recommendations of the Murrayville Heritage Review Panel for this project.

CARRIED

5. Douglas Day 2020 Planning Committee Report

No report.

6. Museum Advisory Group Report

J. Aldag reported that staff provided a report on the work with the First Nations groups at the last meeting, and that they will review the accessioning and deaccessioning of the collection at the January meeting.

E. CORRESPONDENCE

F. 2021 WORK PROGRAM

1. Review and Prioritization of the 2021 Work Plan

E. Horricks outlined the preliminary work plan items identified in the Heritage Advisory Committee's 2020 Annual Report for the committee's consideration in developing the HAC's 2021 work plan. The list represents work that forms part of the committee's ongoing mandate, items identified in the Heritage Strategy's Implementation Plan earmarked for committee involvement, selected projects or initiatives previously identified by the membership for consideration, and one item not completed during 2020 work plan due to the temporary suspension of the committees surrounding covid-19.

The following work plan items were identified and considered:

- Continue the work related to heritage building retention and adaptive re-use in Langley's rural lands, including possible incentives for historic farms with significant heritage buildings.
- Consider exploring salvage opportunities and policies related to the deconstruction of heritage buildings. (The committee noted they would like to consider looking at salvage networks as an alternate to policies and would like a presentation on this topic by someone in the industry to explore what work commercial enterprises are already doing this area).
- Consider an interpretive project on the Great Northern Railway that spanned south Langley and Aldergrove in the early twentieth century.
- Review applications to the Heritage Building Incentive Program for three (3) grant application cycles through the Heritage Review Panel.
- Provide timely input as requested on heritage resources and areas impacted by development, or those facing transition, through the Heritage Review Panel.
- Continue to provide recommendations to the Community Heritage Register, along with input on associated Statements of Significance for sites that become registered.
- Continue to update the Township's Heritage Inventory as an information base for further development of the Community Heritage Register.
- Recognize new additions to the Heritage Register that have not received a recognition plaque to date.
- Maintain liaison with the Douglas Day Planning Committee and participate in the annual event.
- Maintain liaison with the Langley Centennial Museum through the Museum Advisory Group and staff.
- Consider or inquire into matters as requested by Council.

F. 2021 WORK PROGRAM

E. Horricks mentioned that the committee might also wish to consider scheduling a discussion or presentation on new directions and trends in heritage conservation, as part of their work plan for this year.

A revised work plan that incorporates the committee's feedback on the above items will be brought back to the February meeting for endorsement.

2. Committee Liaison Appointments

Museum Advisory Group

F. Pepin stated he was willing to serve again as the committee liaison to the Museum Advisory Group in 2021.

MOTION

Moved by H. Whittell,

Seconded by T. Annandale,

That the Heritage Advisory Committee endorse the appointment of F. Pepin as the committee liaison to the Museum Advisory Group for the year 2021.

CARRIED

Douglas Day Planning Committee

R. Genberg stated she was willing to serve again as the committee liaison to the Douglas Day Planning Committee for 2021.

MOTION

Moved by H. Whittell,

Seconded by T. Annandale,

That the Heritage Advisory Committee endorse the appointment of R. Genberg as the committee liaison to the Douglas Day Planning Committee for the year 2021.

CARRIED

3. "Discover Fort Langley" Sign Upgrade

E. Horricks reported that the "Discover Fort Langley" sign located on Glover Road near Mavis Avenue is being updated, based on concerns received from the public regarding its outdated content. The existing sign was originally created and installed during the 1980's, likely at the time of Expo 86.

A new sign wrap for the top of the sign has been created based on the Our Shared History document (2017), in consultation with Kwantlen First Nation to ensure that the language and references remain current. The sign provides a list of key historic sites, parks and trails within walking distance of its location for those visiting Fort Langley. Links to the Township's Langley's Historic Places and Tourism Langley are also included to provide visitors with further sources of information.

HAC members were asked to provide final comments on the upgraded sign's content to staff by January 13.

G. COUNCIL REFERRALS

H. OTHER BUSINESS AND ITEMS FOR INFORMATION

1. 2021 Meeting Schedule

Provided in package for information.

2. 2021 Membership List

Provided electronically following agreement from the committee.

I. NEXT MEETING

Date: Wednesday, February 3, 2021

Location: via Zoom

Time: 7:00pm

J. TERMINATE

The meeting terminated at 9:06pm.

CERTIFIED CORRECT:

Community Representative Co-Chair

Council Representative Co-Chair