

HERITAGE ADVISORY COMMISSION

MINUTES

March 19 2015

Summerland Seniors Village
Paul Anderson Room

Members: Councillor Barkwill, Acting Chair D. Hill, S. Johnson, M. Walker, M. Trainer
D. Gregory

Regrets: L. Ducharme, B. Raymond

1. Call to Order: 7:04 pm
2. Adoption of Minutes of Feb 18 2015 Trainer/Walker **CARRIED**
3. Adoption of Agenda as amended Walker/Johnson **CARRIED**
4. Business Arising from the Minutes
 - a. Treasurer's Report:

Walker reported that the Commission's funds are \$834.97. Report approved Trainer/Walker **CARRIED**
 - b. Election of Directors:

Commission members felt the election of directors should wait until there are more members on the Commission
 - c. Heritage Advisory Commission Bylaw:

Councillor Barkwill reported that Council will be reviewing any amendments to the Bylaw in the near future. There was a considerable discussion about how heritage buildings are identified by Development Services. The listed heritage buildings are supposed to be "red tagged" if the buildings are subject to alteration. This process has not always worked in the last few years. Examples include the Featherstonhaugh home on Rutherford and the Manse home in Lower Town. The heritage value of these two heritage homes have been lost. The Commission should be informed of potential changes to not only heritage buildings and sites but also natural sites. For example the diacite columns on the west face of Giants Head Mountain are in danger of being damaged. Communication needs to be improved
 - d. Heritage Inventory Update List

The Museum & Heritage Society has submitted a budget that includes an additional \$5,000 for an updated heritage list. The previous Council did not support this project. If the present Council approves the additional \$5,000 the Commission will assist with this project. Commission members felt that there is a need for Council to display some support for the importance of this project.

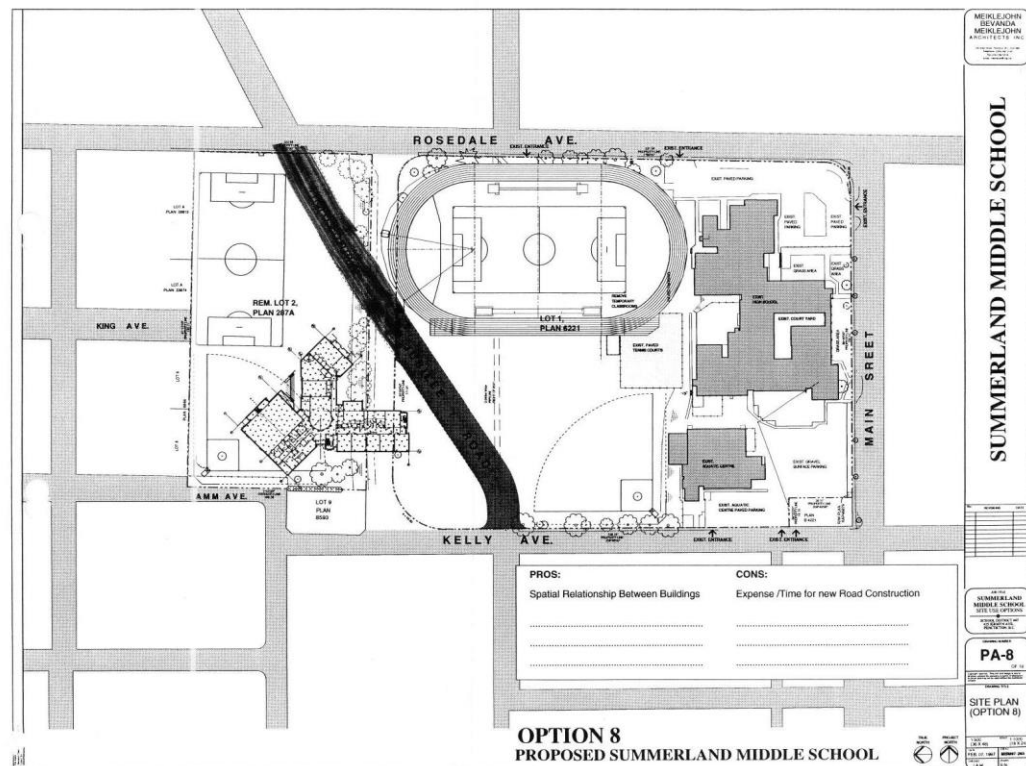
Some members felt the Commission should proceed regardless. Johnson and Gregory volunteered to update the Heritage Inventory List. This would

include additional information on the heritage value of the buildings and sites. The "Statement of Significance" (SOS) for heritage buildings are an important element to such lists, but is difficult to write. Additional information on SOS will be provided to Commission members.

MOTION: THE COMMISSION ASKS COUNCIL IF THEY SUPPORT SECTION 5.1 OF THE OFFICAL COMMUNITY PLAN Trainer/Gregory **CARRIED**

e. MacDonald School Demolition

There was considerable discussion about the demolition of MacDonald School. The building was an identified heritage building. When the design of the Middle School and the realignment of Jubilee Road was presented to Municipal Council, there was no objection to the demolition of the historic school because a quality track and field was promised for the site. This topic has been an on-going issue with the Commission for many years. Some have argued that there are not sufficient funds for the promised track. The School District owns a portion of the Municipal Hall and generates an income from this building. Such funds could easily support the costs of a promised track. Included with these Minutes is the drawings that were provided by the School District and approved by Summerland Municipal Council.



The proposed design was created by Meiklejohn, Bevanda and Meiklejohn on February 7th 1997.

MOTION: THE COMMISSION DIRECTS GREGORY TO LOCATE THE MUNICIPAL COUNCIL MINUTES OF 1997. Hill/Johnson CARRIED

f. KVR West Summerland Train Station

This is an on-going topic of the Commission and it has caused some confusion. The Commission is not asking for funding for the West Summerland Train Station site. The Commission is asking for rudimentary plans for future development. All of the blue-prints for all of the buildings of the West Summerland Train Station site are located in the basement of Municipal Hall. This could become a future tourist attraction. One Commission member suggested that perhaps the model railway society could use this facility. The Kettle Valley Steam Railway Society attracts 25,000 tourists to Summerland. There is a need to support this organization.

MOTION: THE COMMISSION REQUESTS A SITE PLAN FOR THE WEST SUMMERLAND TRAIN STATION IN THE HOPE THAT IN THE FUTURE THE AREA CAN BECOME A HERITAGE SITE

Gregory/Hill CARRIED

5. New Business

a. Response to Marian Rudisill's letter

There was some confusion about whether the Commission had, in fact, agreed to provide \$900 for heritage signage for the 2016 anniversary of the Superintendent's House at PARC. This building is a federally protected heritage building. The Acting Chair will write to Marian Rudisill informing her that the Commission did agree to support their project.

b. Request for Comments on Street Name

The Commission was asked by Development Services to comment on a proposed naming of a street in Trout Creek. The last three street names chosen for Summerland were names of soldiers on our cenotaph (Bridgeman, Callan and Herron). If one was to choose a soldier's name in alphabetical order, the next soldier is Alfred "Buster" Clouston. The Clouston family is one of Canada's most famous families. The Clouston home still exists on South Victoria Road. There is one soldier who lived in Trout Creek and his home still exists on Towgood Avenue: Joe Treffry (1894-1917) He was killed at Vimy Ridge.

MOTION: THE COMMISSION HAS CONCERNS THAT A STREET NAME IS CHOSEN TO SUPPORT A DEVELOPMENT. THE SELECTION OF A STREET NAME SHOULD BE MADE BY THE MUNICIPALITY NOT BY A DEVELOPER. THIS WOULD SET A PRECEDENT FOR THE SELECTION OF OTHER STREET NAMES Hill/Johnson CARRIED

MOTION: THE COMMISSION SUPPORTS THE STREET NAME TREFFRY. THIS NAME MEETS TWO CRITERIA, A SOLDIER ON THE CENOTAPH AND A TROUT CREEK RESIDENT Gregory/Hill CARRIED

c. Historic Flume Line Park

Some members of the Commission had concerns about the Historic Flume Line Trail. Summerland's flume system was designed by F. Latimer in 1902

and paid for by Sir Thomas Shaughnessy. When the Neighbourhood Plan for the Singh Development (eastern slope of Cartwright Mountain) was approved by Council it included the Historic Flume Line Trail. Currently there are sections of the trail that cross privately owned land (Taylor Place). The Commission erected a heritage sign for this trail on Morrow Avenue in 2013. The Commission believes that there should be a long term plan to complete this trail system.

**MOTION: THE COMMISSION REQUESTS THAT COUNCIL PROVIDE THE
CURRENT STATUS OF THE HISTORIC FLUME LINE TRAIL**

Johnson/Walker **CARRIED**

At the conclusion of the meeting, the Commission thanked Michael Walker for his 12 years of service to the community. Walker spearheaded three heritage home tours: a task which took a great effort. Thank you Michael !

6. Adjournment: 9:17 pm