



CITY OF YELLOWKNIFE

**MINUTES**

**HERITAGE COMMITTEE**  
**Wednesday, October 26, 2016 at 12:00 p.m.**  
**City Hall, Lower Boardroom**

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Minutes of a meeting held on Wednesday, October 26, 2016 at 12:00 p.m. in the Lower Boardroom at City Hall.

The following Committee members were in attendance:

Chair: J. Morse,  
S. Allerston,  
A. Cartwright,  
D. Finch,  
D. Kellet,  
K. Luce,  
E. Purchase, and  
A. Salomon.

The following Committee members were absent:

Mayor Heyck,  
S. Irlbacher-Fox, and  
F. Sangris.

The following members of Administration were in attendance:

J. Larsen, and  
S. Jovic.

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**Call to Order**

1. The Chair called the meeting to order at 12:05 p.m.

**Disclosure of Pecuniary Interest**

2. There were no disclosures of pecuniary interest.

**Approval of Agenda**

3. K. Luce moved,  
D. Finch seconded,

**That the Agenda be approved as presented.**

**MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**



**Approval of the Minutes**

4. E. Purchase moved,  
K. Luce seconded,

**That the Minutes of the meeting held on September 28, 2016 be approved.**

**MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

**Bush Pilot's Monument Repairs**

5. Committee noted that the Bush Pilot's Monument is in a state of disrepair. Committee further noted that with all the history associated with Bush Pilot's Monument (bush pilots/aviation and indigenous traditional uses) they thought that it could be repaired and improved. Committee stated that Bush Pilot's Monument has historic, cultural and architectural value and is worthy of protection as a heritage resource and it should be recognized as a heritage site. Committee further stated that "Recognized Heritage Resource" means any Heritage Resource that is not designated by a by-law of Council but is acknowledged as 'Recognized' through a motion of the Heritage Committee.
6. K. Luce moved,  
E. Purchase seconded,

**That Committee recognize Bush Pilot's Monument as a Heritage Site.**

**MOTION CARRIED**

***Action: Administration to provide a copy of the Application for Heritage Recognition or Designation.***

7. E. Purchase moved,  
S. Allerston seconded,

**That Committee recommend to City Council that they approve the expenditure of up to \$5,000 from the Heritage Committee Reserve Fund for the repair of Bush Pilot's Monument.**

**MOTION CARRIED**

***Action: Administration to bring forward a memorandum to Council regarding whether to approve the expenditure of up to \$5,000 from the Heritage Committee Reserve Fund for the repair of Bush Pilot's Monument.***

**Tale of a Town**

8. Committee noted that Tale of a Town, a nationwide theatre and media initiative aiming to capture the collective community memory of Canada's main streets, one story at a time, was a great cultural project. Committee further noted that they collected oral histories through interviews that inspire the creation of performances and podcasts. Committee stated that interviews will be



available on podcast on the website. Committee further stated that they will be back in Yellowknife next year to present at the Northern Art and Cultural Centre.

**Joint commemoration by the City and Yellowknives Dene First Nation**

9. Administration noted that Yellowknives Dene First Nations is doing research that will provide some historic facts to be used on the plaques for Back Bay Cemetery, Pilot's Monument and Sacred Tree. Administration further noted that other projects should be included such as Weaver's portage and one heritage installation in downtown.
10. **E. Purchase moved,  
D. Finch seconded,**

**That Committee approve the expenditure of \$30,000 from the Heritage Committee Reserve Fund for commemoration of historic sites which have significance to both the Yellowknives Dene history and that of the non-indigenous settlement of Yellowknife. This includes the Back Bay Cemetery, Pilot's Monument, the Sacred Tree, Weaver's portage and investigating some potential heritage installation site in the downtown.**

**MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

***Action: That Administration bring forward a memorandum to Council regarding whether to approve the expenditure of \$30,000 from the Heritage Committee Reserve Fund for commemoration of historic sites which have significance to both the Yellowknives Dene history and that of the non-indigenous settlement of Yellowknife. This includes the Back Bay Cemetery, Pilot's Monument, the Sacred Tree, Weaver's portage and investigating some potential heritage installation site in the downtown.***

**Heritage Committee and Yellowknife Artist Run Community Centre Art Show**

11. Administration advised that they received proposals from eight (8) artists for the Heritage Art Show. Committee further noted that the Art Show will be held from November 14 to 18, 2016 at the Yellowknife Artist Run Community Centre. Committee stated that they will need volunteers during gallery hours from 5:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m., November 15-18, 2016.

**Budget Update**

12. Administration provided an update on the budget. Committee noted that it would be beneficial to have the inventory of Yellowknife's heritage plaques and other installations for the Committee. Committee further noted that the Heritage Building Inventory was done by Ryan Silke in 2013 and is regularly updated. Committee stated that on September 18, 2014, the Heritage Committee took a tour of Yellowknife with a view to scouting likely locations for plaques interpreting various elements of Yellowknife heritage.
13. Ms. Cartwright left the meeting at 12:55 p.m.
14. Committee continued its discussion regarding the budget. Committee inquired about the maintenance budget for heritage inventory.



**Next Scheduled Meeting**

15. The next regular meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, November 16, 2016.

**Adjournment**

16. E. Purchase moved,  
S. Allerston seconded,

**That the meeting be adjourned at 12:57 p.m.**

**MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

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