



CITY OF YELLOWKNIFE

MINUTES

HERITAGE COMMITTEE

Thursday, January 18, 2018 at 12:00 p.m.

City Hall, Upper Boardroom

Minutes of a meeting held on Thursday, January 18, 2018 at 12:00 p.m. in the Upper Boardroom at City Hall.

The following Committee members were in attendance:

Chair: Councillor J. Morse,
Mayor M. Heyck,
A. Cartwright,
D. Finch,
L. Gordon,
C. Lafferty,
E. Purchase,
N. Santos.

The following Committee members were absent:

S. Allerston,
Y. Quick,
A. Salomon, and
F. Sangris.

The following members of Administration were in attendance:

N. Naidoo,
J. Derksen,
A. Watson, and
J. Boyd.

Call to Order

1. The Chair called the meeting to order at 12: 06 p.m.

Disclosure of Pecuniary Interest

2. There were no disclosures of pecuniary interest.



Approval of Agenda

Committee agreed unanimously to amend the agenda to include an update from the Heritage Resource Working Group to the end of the agenda.

3. E. Purchase moved,
A. Cartwright seconded,

That the Agenda be approved as amended.

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Approval of the Minutes

4. N. Santos moved,
A. Cartwright seconded,

That the Minutes of the meeting held on December 14, 2017 be approved.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Administration Response on "For Profit Funding"

5. Administration advised that upon review of policies and procedures, it was determined that there is nothing that prohibits the Heritage Committee from providing funding to for profit organizations. Administration presented a draft of project funding criteria that was created in 2015 and requested feedback for the next Heritage Committee meeting.

Action: Review of the Draft Heritage Committee Criteria for Project Funding, updated January 24, 2015 to be added to the agenda for the February Heritage Committee meeting.

Heritage Committee Funding Application – YK Artists Co-Operative Ltd.

6. Committee discussed the Heritage Committee Funding Application from Yellowknife Artists Cooperative Ltd. requesting \$3,000.00 for a Feasibility Study that would consider converting the Designated Hudson Bay Warehouse, located at 3501 Wiley Road, into a Centre for the Arts. Committee noted that this project is the best plan that has been presented to date for the Hudson Bay Warehouse building and a Feasibility Study would be beneficial. Also, whereas the YK Artists Cooperative is a for profit organization, Administration's affirmative response to the question of whether the Heritage Committee can provide funds to for profit organizations was essential to consider approval of this application.



7. D. Finch moved,
A. Cartwright seconded,

That the Committee approve the expenditure of \$3,000.00 from the Heritage Committee Project Funding budget for the Feasibility Study by the Yellowknife Artists Cooperative to convert the Hudson Bay Warehouse property, located at 3501 Wylie Road, into a Centre for the Arts in Yellowknife.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Heritage Committee Funding Application – Videos of our Elders Project

8. Committee discussed the Heritage Committee Funding Application from Ms. Ann Lynagh requesting \$2,000.00 for the Videos of our Elders Project. Committee raised multiple questions and concerns around the details of the videos of our Elders project, including the inclusion of Indigenous Elders in the list of prospective interviewees for the videos. Further questions and concerns regarding the presentation included the following:
- More detail on the appearance of the finished product and what it will entail.
 - Have you approached other organizations for funding for this project?
 - Who will be involved in the project, and who will be interviewed?
 - Who is the audience?

Action: Administration to draft a letter from the Chair to Ms. Ann Lynagh, requesting answers to the questions raised by the Committee regarding the application for funding for the Videos of our Elders project.

Bristol Freighter Heritage Designation Evaluation

9. The Heritage Resource Working Group submitted an application to designate the Bristol Freighter as a Heritage Resource, which was subsequently evaluated by Administration. Committee noted that the application contained an error in the section detailing the history of the airplane. The history should read “This plane was the first to land on wheels at the North Pole in 1967.” Administration advised that this change does not affect their evaluation and the correct information. The recommendation to designate the Bristol Freighter as a Heritage Resource was supported broadly by the Heritage Resource Working Group.
10. E. Purchase moved,
N. Santos seconded,

That the Committee approve the application for Heritage Designation of the Bristol Freighter, located at Lot 4, Block 314, Plan 4648, Yellowknife, NT.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Action: Administration to bring forward a memorandum to Municipal Services Committee for approval of the Heritage Designation of the Bristol Freighter, located at Lot 4, Block 314, Plan 4648.



Update on Potential Meeting with Yellowknife Historical Society

11. Administration advised that the Yellowknife Historical Society was invited to attend the Heritage Committee meeting on March 15, 2018 to make introductions, discuss the preservation of Yellowknife's heritage, and explore future opportunities to work together. Committee agreed to engage groups like the Historical Society by inviting groups to request funding from the Heritage Committee to plan events such as Heritage Days. This initiative could provide an open, transparent application process that would be open to all organizations in the community. A discussion between the Heritage Committee and the Yellowknife Historical Society regarding the potential of the Historical Society planning future Heritage Days will be added to the agenda for the March Heritage Committee meeting.

Action: A discussion regarding the potential of the Yellowknife Historical Society planning future Heritage days to be added to March agenda.

Heritage Days 2018

12. Committee discussed the schedule for the 2018 Heritage Days event. Committee noted that due to a short planning period, the event should focus on a single evening of storytelling at the Wildcat Café on February 24, 2018 from 7:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m. The evening at the Wildcat Café will feature storytelling by key community members, including an elder from the YKDFN, who will be approached by Committee prior to the evening, followed by an open mike invitation for anyone in attendance to share stories. Committee noted that an honorarium should be offered to the community storytellers who are requested to attend the evening to share their stories. J. Morse to act as the host at the storytelling evening at the Wildcat Café.
13. E. Purchase moved,
A. Cartwright seconded,

To approve the expenditure of up to \$3,000.00 to plan and organize the Wildcat Café Storytelling evening in celebration of Heritage Days 2018.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Action Item: Administration to organize the evening of storytelling at the Wildcat Café on February 24, 2018 from 7:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m. to celebrate Heritage Days 2018. An email will be sent to Committee members to confirm volunteers to assist with the organization of Heritage Days 2018.

Update on Presentation to YKDFN on Draft Intercultural Place Making Plan

14. Committee noted that a letter has been sent to members of the Yellowknives Dene First Nation (YKDFN) to request an opportunity to present the Draft Intercultural Place Making Plan at the next Elders Committee meeting. Administration has been in communication with Fred Sangris to review the draft presentation of the Draft Intercultural Place Making Plan and coordinate attendance at the Elders Committee meeting in February. The Chair of the Heritage Committee will be making the presentation of the Intercultural Place Making Plan at the Elders Committee meeting.



Budget Update

15. Administration noted that the cheque for the funding request of \$5,000.00 for the Dene Nahjo Urban Hide Tanning Camp has been distributed.

Fox Moth Society Funding Application follow up

16. Committee noted that the Fox Moth Society has made a \$10,000.00 funding request to the Heritage Committee for a large weathervane that they would like to erect on Pilot's Monument. Committee further noted that the Fox Moth Society did not provide additional information that was requested by the Committee. Committee expressed concerns about the project, including the amount of noise that may be produced by the proposed large weather vane, the fundamental change to the view that would be caused by the structure, jurisdiction of the site, and the location of Pilot's Monument as the site for this project, which the Fox Moth Society is not willing to change. Committee noted that a public consultation should be performed prior to approval of this project as it will have a long term effect on the community, including residents and tourists.

Action Item: Administration to advise Fox Moth Society of details around the project requirements, including public consultation in advance of the Committee making any decisions on this funding request.

Update from Heritage Resource Working Group

17. Heritage Resource Working Group noted accomplishments and activities to date include:
 - The creation of a mandate for the Heritage Resource Working Group;
 - The application and designation of the Bristol Freighter has been completed;
 - Ideas have been discussed for promoting heritage and identifying candidates for recognition;
 - Recommendation to contact local schools to remind them there is a prize for best Yellowknife heritage project for the Heritage Fair;
 - Next working group meeting will be on February 1, 2018 at 12:00 p.m.

Next Scheduled Meeting

18. Committee noted that the next regular meeting is scheduled for February 15, 2018.

Adjournment

16. The meeting was adjourned at 1:03 p.m.

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