

Present:Vice Chair - L. Tannen
W. Farrand
R. Hart**Absent:**Councillor Steele
B. Hol**Guests:**Michelle Charlton
Maxine Charlton**Staff Present:**D. Luymes, Planning & Development
E. Schultz, Planning & Development
J. O'Donnell, Parks, Recreation and Culture
D. Brown, Parks, Recreation and Culture
N. Dyrbye, Legislative Services

Quorum was not established at the start of the meeting.

A. ADOPTION OF MINUTES

It was

Moved by Commissioner Farrand
Seconded by Commissioner Hart
That the minutes of the Surrey Heritage
Advisory Commission meeting of February 24, 2010, be adopted, as circulated.
Carried**B. DELEGATIONS****1. Michelle & Maxine Charlton**

Concerning the John Sedgewick House located at 7172 – 184th Street.

The delegates made the following comments:

- The owners purchased the property containing the Sedgewick house in 1993. Due to its condition and the lack of services, the house is currently uninhabited. It has also been subject to repeated acts of vandalism.
- An offer to purchase the house, relocate, and restore it has fallen through.
- The owners request that the SHAC remove the building from the heritage register to allow them to demolish the house.

Staff made the following comments:

- At the time the John Sedgewick House was considered for inclusion on the Heritage Register, a second house was being constructed on the lot. Because the Surrey Zoning by-law allows only one house per lot, the building permit was issued subject to a \$5,000 bond to guarantee the John Sedgewick House would be demolished.
- After Council added the John Sedgewick House to the Surrey Heritage Register, the SHAC recommended that the house not be demolished. The bond has been kept on file ever since.

- The owner sought to have the bond released. First, the owner applied for a two-lot subdivision so there would be one house on each lot. However, this application was denied due to lack of City services (e.g. sewer, drainage and water).
- In 2002, the owner applied for a Heritage Revitalization Agreement (HRA) to vary the Surrey Zoning By-law to allow two houses on the lot and to provide for the restoration and maintenance of the John Sedgewick House. However, when the septic system serving the house failed, the house was vacated and the owner chose not proceed with the HRA application.
- A recent proposal to relocate the house to a different site has also fallen through.
- The City has recently begun the process of developing a Neighbourhood Concept Plan (NCP) for the area; however it could be several years before the plan is completed.

Commissioner Farrand arrived at the meeting at 5:12 p.m. and quorum was established.

Photos taken of the degradation of the house were shared with the Commission.

The delegates made the following additional comments:

- Currently, the house has mould growth and water seepage. The hardwood floors have also been stripped. The RCMP came out a couple of times too to give advice on securing the property; however, at the moment, there is not much more that can be done to keep it secure.

The Commission thanked the delegates for their presentation and advised they would be in touch with them as to their decision.

The delegates left the meeting at 5:22 p.m.

The Commission made the following comments:

- The onus is on the owners to maintain the house. Demolition is never a choice the Commission wants to make, but at the same time, if nothing is done, then the house will become derelict in the neighbourhood and will affect the others who live there.
- It would be helpful if staff could provide the Commission with recommendations as to what they should do about this matter at the next meeting.

C. DELEGATION REQUESTS

1. Fraser Valley Heritage Railway Society

The Society wishes to appear as a delegation to outline the achievements of the FVHRS to date and to request funding support for ongoing Community Outreach activities.

It was
Commission approves having the Fraser Valley Heritage Railway Society present as a delegation at their next meeting.

Moved by Commissioner Hart
Seconded by Commissioner Farrand
That the Surrey Heritage Advisory

Carried

D. OUTSTANDING BUSINESS

1. PLANNING & DEVELOPMENT

(a) Heritage Website 101

Deferred from the February 24, 2010 meeting. Dani Brown and Erin Schultz to provide demonstration.

Staff provided a demonstration of the Heritage Website for the Commission members.

E. NEW BUSINESS

1. PARKS AND RECREATION

**(a) Surrey Stories Newsletter – 2010 Articles
File No.: 6800-01**

Memo dated March 17, 2010 from the Manager of Heritage Services.

The following comments were made:

D. Brown left the meeting at 6:07 p.m.

The Commission agreed that Commissioner Hol and Tannen would contribute an article to this year's Surrey Stories Newsletter.

It was agreed that the first issue will have an article concerning the challenges associated with heritage conservation and the second issue will have an article concerning the Friends of Heritage Award Program.

(b) **Heritage Storyboard Funding – Cenotaph**
File No.: 6800-01

Memo dated March 17, 2010 from the Manager of Heritage Services.

It was Moved by Commissioner Hart
Seconded by Commissioner Farrand
That the Surrey Heritage Advisory
Commission accept funding from the Parks Division, Cemetery Services for
the future production of a heritage storyboard to commemorate the history
of the Surrey cenotaph.

Carried

2. **PLANNING & DEVELOPMENT**

(a) **Fred J. Ebben House/Old Yale Road – Heritage Storyboard**
File No.: 6800-01

Memo dated February 18, 2010 from the Manager, Community Planning.

Staff made the following comments:

- There are only two cairns that exist in Surrey and one is in dispute as to whether it actually is a cairn at all. One marks the Semiahmoo Trail and the other is supposed to exist on the old fairground site in front of the old Museum. There used to be a plaque that indicated the commemoration of Pacific Highway. However, the plaque has since disappeared from the structure.

The Commission made the following comments:

- The idea was to work with the developer to have some type of monument to document the history of Old Yale Road.
- There was also a cairn on King George at 108th Avenue on the north east corner.
- We need to discuss costs and whether a cairn is what we really want to do now and in the future.
- Either way, we need to find a resolution other than a storyboard.
- We need to ensure that the monument is put onto public property so the City is able to maintain it or else it will deteriorate if on private property.

Staff made the following additional comments:

- In lieu of producing a heritage storyboard at the site of the Fred J. Ebben House and Old Yale Road, the developer has agreed to donate \$5,000 to the Commission.
- Traditionally, cairns have been used as burial markers. Here in Surrey, they have been used to designate historical transportation routes.

It was Moved by Commissioner Farrand
Seconded by Commissioner Hart
That the Surrey Heritage Advisory
Commission receive the report concerning the Fred J. Ebben House/Old
Yale Road Heritage Storyboard for information.
Carried

(b) **HAC Task List**
File No.: 0540-20 V

Memo dated March 1, 2010 from the Manager, Community Planning.

Staff made the following comments:

- No changes have been made to the Task List at this time. As a reminder, the Commission is required to make a recommendation to have items added to this list.

The Commission made the following comments:

- With respect to the Loyal Orange Lodge, there is an instructor at the Kwantlen Cloverdale Campus who may be interested in this building. If the Commission agrees, the school could be approached to see if they would be interested, as part of their construction program, in relocating and restoring the Lodge.
- This is a great idea. It would provide a great opportunity for this building and a great learning opportunity for students.

The Commission agreed that Commissioner Farrand should consult with the instructor at the Cloverdale campus of Kwantlen Polytechnic University to see whether the school would have any interest in the Loyal Orange Lodge for heritage teaching purposes and report back to the Commission on the discussion.

(c) **Heritage Strategic Review Workshop**
File No.: 0390-20

Memo dated March 21, 2010 from the Manager, Community Planning.

This item was received.

3. **ENGINEERING**

There are no reports from Engineering.

4. LEGISLATIVE SERVICES

There are no reports from Legislative Services.

F. ITEMS REFERRED BY COUNCIL**G. CORRESPONDENCE**

There are no Correspondence items.

H. INFORMATION ITEMS

- 1. Surrey's Stories – Winter/Spring 2010**
(to be provided on-table at the meeting).
- 2. Fraser Valley Heritage Railway Society News – Fall/Winter 2009/10**
- 3. Fraser Valley Heritage Railway Society
Notification of Annual General Meeting**
- 4. Diverse Magazine**

Commissioner Tannen made the following comments:

- The second issue of the magazine has been released and the publisher and editor are both residents of Surrey.
- There is very interesting information about Surrey included.
- During discussions with the editor, it was determined that they would be open to having more heritage presence in the magazine. This could be another way for staff and the Commission to help promote heritage in Surrey.

I. OTHER BUSINESS

- 1. Resilient Communities Conference – March 26 & 27, 2010**

Commissioner Tannen made the following comments:

- This was a very interesting conference.
- There was a lot of information regarding heritage awareness and action.

- 2. Collishaw Farm House**

Staff advised that during a wind storm on March 28, 2010, a tree fell on the Collishaw Farm House and caused damage to the roof. The owners have advised that they will be working to repair it shortly. The owners have also been advised that they may apply to the City for financial assistance for the repairs.

3. Presentation by Sheila McKinnon re: Heritage Storyboards at February 24, 2010 meeting

The Commission asked whether there were any updates concerning this item.

Staff advised they would follow up with the Arts Manager and report back to the Commission when more information was available.

J. TASK/LIAISON GROUPS

K. FRIENDS OF HERITAGE

The Commission made the following comments:

- There is not enough press about the Friends of Heritage Award. In the future, recognition needs to go beyond the award i.e. Surrey Stories, Website, Media, etc. and more of a celebration is needed.
- Perhaps the Commission could use some money out of their budget to go toward the award itself so it is more than just a certificate. Suggestion was made to have a plaque or statue awarded.

L. FINANCIALS

**1. Financial Summary as at February 28, 2010
File No.: 0540-20 V**

This item was received.

M. NEXT MEETING

The next meeting of the Heritage Advisory Commission is scheduled for April 28, 2010 in the Planning Boardroom #1 – 5:00.p.m.

M. ADJOURNMENT

It was

Moved by Commissioner Hart
Seconded by Commissioner Farrand
That the Surrey Heritage Advisory

Commission meeting do now adjourn.

Carried

The Surrey Heritage Advisory Commission adjourned at 7:09 p.m.

Jane Sullivan, City Clerk

Lesley Tannen, Vice Chairperson
Surrey Heritage Advisory Commission