

COMMUNITY HERITAGE ADVISORY COMMITTEE MINUTES

Wednesday, June 25, 2025
Hybrid (In Person and via MS Teams)
7:00 – 9:00 pm

Present: Jim Paul (Chair) Jennifer Clay
Mitchell Baker Mel Montgomery
Rob Griesdale (Vice Chair)

Regrets: Glade Schoenfeld
Catherine Rose
Cllr Jim Hanson

Staff: Holly Adams, Community Planner
Mary Jukich, Committee Clerk

1. Call to Order

The Chair called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm.

2. Adoption of Agenda

Art Contest was added under Other Business

MOVED by Jim Paul and seconded by Mel Montgomery
To adopt the amended agenda.

CARRIED

3. Adoption of Minutes

MOVED by Jim Paul and seconded by Rob Griesdale
To adopt the May 28, 2025 minutes.

CARRIED

4. Rick Buchols Presentation

Rick Buchols provided a presentation on his book which includes his biography and a recollection of specific people and events from the District of North Vancouver. On completion of the presentation, committee members discussed opportunities for promoting the book around heritage advocacy such as providing the libraries and archives with a copy of the book.

5. Heritage Awards – Adjustments

At the last committee meeting, there was a discussion around the number of nominations received for this year's heritage award and that it may be timely to consider the current criteria for the awards and also review the strategic plan to determine if there is an opportunity to expand the criteria and ultimately increase the number of nominations. Committee members reviewed the current guidelines and the award categories and some of the suggestions were to either create another category focussed on events, ie., cultural or build upon the heritage advocacy category and include clearer language.

6. Council Heritage Tour – Ideas and Dates

The Council Heritage tour has been scheduled for September 9th which also ties in with the completion and launch of the Story Map and provides an opportunity to test the routes.

7. Story Maps Project

This item was addressed during the Council Heritage Tour discussion.

8. Properties Tracker

Staff provided an update on the following properties:

- 1279 West Keith Road – building permit application for minor renovation
- 233 Woodale Road – preliminary planning application for residential units and restoration of heritage structure

9. Any Other Business

• Art Contest

Committee members indicated their interest to continue with the art contest and whether there was an opportunity in improving the program moving forward. In addition, information was requested around the scope of the work provided by staff and whether committee members could undertake some of the work in moving forward. In this regard, the art contest will be added to the workplan.

• Basecamp

Committee members discussed a recent issue wherein a vote and discussion took place via email and whether it might have been more beneficial for this issue to be addressed via Basecamp in order to maintain a more open and transparent discussion. In this regard, staff indicated that in moving forward all work and communication can take place in Basecamp as long as committee members are mindful of regularly logging into Basecamp and checking messages.

• Response to Bill 44

Committee members were informed that staff recently brought to Council a combined scenario around rezoning and Council requested that staff also explore an option wherein to maintain a status quo option and accordingly staff will be going back to Council with the two options.

10. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 9:00 pm.

Next Meeting: Wednesday, July 23, 2025