

Alberni Valley Museum and Heritage Commission
Meeting of Wednesday February 3, 2016
7:00 pm in the Museum
Agenda

1. Approval of the Agenda –
 - February 3 meeting
2. Approval of Minutes –
 - January 6 meeting
3. Correspondence
4. Setting Heritage Commission Priorities for 2016:
 - Vision, Mission, and Role of the Heritage Commission
 - i. Review of AVM & Heritage Commission Vision handout .
 - ii. Discussion.
 - Potential priorities for 2016
 - i. Review of list [p.2 of the Agenda].
 - ii. Discussion and decision.
5. Updates:
 - Collections Policy – discussion – review questions and issues [p.3 of the Agenda] – and approval.
 - other
6. Reports:
 - School Board
 - Community Arts Council
 - Museum
 - Tseshah First Nation
 - Regional District
 - Industrial Heritage Society
 - Maritime Heritage Society
 - Community at Large
 - City Council
 - McLean Mill
 - Historical Society
 - Hupacasath First Nation
 - Chamber of Commerce
7. Next Meeting – Wednesday, March 2, 2016, at the AV Museum
8. Adjournment

Proposed Heritage Commission Priorities for 2016

From November Discussion & January 6 Meeting Agenda:

1. Identification of regional heritage resources & historic sites.
2. Promotion and marketing.
3. Fundraising.

From the discussion at the January 6 meeting:

4. Young adults and youth as volunteers.
5. Insert flyer for real estate packages.
6. Revision of the "Four Cool Attractions" brochure.
7. Display of artefacts and small exhibits in local venues, such as City Hall, Court House, etc.
8. Preparation and presentation of a briefing on heritage for the Alberni Clayoquot Regional District.
9. Making greater use of social media tools for promotion and marketing.
10. Promoting Heritage through other City services, such as the Fire Department.

Questions and Discussion Points for Collections Policy:

Raised at the Jan.6 Commission meeting:

Marta Williamson:

Page 7 Industrial Collection under contract to the City – What does the contract say? do we need to know what the contract says? What is City Liability. Generally confused as to what IHS owns – does this become an appendix

Page 18 – top of page – Vintage Fleet do we keep adding to this? How determines value of high value items.

David Whitworth:

City owned Boom boat and other city owned objects – Maritime Society is not spelled out here.

Neil Malbon:

page 18 fourth line down – volunteer and visitor liability is covered by the City.

Pam Craig:

Lists of objects – what is where – should we have that.

Raised by Neil Malbon – Jan.7 e-mail

1.) AV Museum Industrial Collection Operational Overview [page 3].

"The WVIIHS Board and Operations Manager determine how society resources are allocated to the maintenance and operation of the Industrial Collection"

Should acknowledge that the Operations Manager shares responsibility for the preservation and restoration of the Mclean Mill NHS (sawmill complex and associated buildings).

2.) Museum staff are responsible for acquisition, preservation, and documentation of the collection [page 3]. But, who is responsible for determining how the overall industrial collection is displayed and operated?

Currently, the McLean Mill site has lost five "directly related" historical objects (Red Hayes, Yellow Hayes, Farquhar tractor, Buda locomotive, and a drag saw) to the Industrial Heritage Centre. And while the IHS have/do preserve, restore, and operate these objects - visitors to the McLean Mill site are missing out on the experiential viewing of these trucks and machines with Mclean Mill provenance.

3.) Insurance - what are the requirements for insuring items/objects that are not part of the "collection" or held in trust?

4.) Title - the policy is much more than the "Alberni Valley Museum" Collections Policy, and maybe we should think of renaming it the Alberni Valley Heritage Network Collections Policy.