MINUTES OF THE SAANICH HERITAGE FOUNDATION MEETING

HELD AT SAANICH MUNICIPAL HALL COMMITTEE ROOM #2

TUESDAY, JUNE 10, 2014 AT 5:30 P.M.

Present: Ross O'Connell, Vice President; Art Joyce, Treasurer; Sheila Colwill; Andy Jani; Ken Johnson; Paul

McKivett

Regrets: Brad Shuya, President; Andrew Rushforth; and Councillor Derman, Council liaison

Staff: Jane Evans, Planner; Shirley Leggett, Secretary

Minutes: Moved by K. Johnson and Seconded by A. Joyce: "That the Minutes of the May 13, 2014

Regular Meeting be adopted as circulated."

CARRIED

1231 SANTA ROSA (DESIGNATED) - BUILDING PERMIT APPLICATION

Memo from the Planner dated May 28, 2014 regarding a building permit application from the Cridge Centre for the Family to remediate the registered dwelling at 1231 Santa Rosa Avenue. This is the second application for building envelope remediation; a previous permit was issued in April 2013 and completed in November 2013.

The Planner stated:

- The proposed work includes replacing four (4) existing windows with new aluminum double glazed windows.
- Replace the stucco and layer with envirocoating finish; remove and reinstall existing wood trim and paint to match existing.
- Repoint the brickwork above ground level and repair brickwork.
- Replace downspouts and construct an extended overhang on the gable the applicant suggests that construction of this overhang will help alleviate future water penetration issues.
- The Foundation is being asked to provide comments on the proposed work which will be given to the applicant for their consideration.
- She hopes to visit the site and take some pictures of the proposed work.

Foundation members stated:

It should be clarified whether the replacement windows will be aluminum or vinyl; the windows should be replaced with the same kind of windows that are original to the dwelling – wood with wood; aluminum with aluminum, etc.; exterior window trim should also reflect the original heritage character.

1800 FERNDALE ROAD (STRANGEWOOD) - APPLICATION FOR DEMOLITION OF HERITAGE REGISTERED DWELLING

Background information prepared by the Planning Department with respect to an application for demolition of the heritage registered dwelling at 1800 Ferndale Road.

The Planner stated:

The owner of the property has applied for a building permit to demolish the dwelling and three accessory buildings on the property. At this time the owner believes that the residential dwelling is a burden and feels that its renovation or restoration would not be of value.

- The property is located in the Gordon Head area and the lot is about 18 acres in size; the dwelling is set back about 95 metres from the street and cannot be seen from the street.
- Construction and additions to the building range from 1921 to the 1930's and an addition in the 1980's.
- The dwelling is a mix of styles including Arts and Crafts and Colonial Cottage style; the wide "A" frame shaped roof carries through to the rear (water side) and is typical of the building that occurred on the shoreline of Cordova Bay in the 1930's.
- There are artifacts on the site that were originally part of a formal garden built by the original owners; the remains of the garden include stone steps and paths, a stone structured stream bed and pond, and an ornamental sculpture clad in petrified wood pieces; several large blocks of petrified wood are placed throughout the garden site.
- On May 20, 2014, Saanich staff visited the site to do a preliminary visual assessment of the building and site condition. The heritage dwelling appears to be in good condition with some require for material replacement, repairs or maintenance; further inspection is required to assess the condition of the foundation, attic, plumbing and electrical.
- The Local Government Act, provides a local government authority to withhold a demolition permit until a building permit or other necessary approvals, such as rezoning, subdivision, heritage revitalization agreement, or development permit, are issued.
- A delay in issuing a demolition permit would provide staff and Council the time to review the heritage value of the property and consider, in consultation with the applicant, potential options to recognize the historic value of the property.

Committee discussion noted:

- The property is a prime example of an estate that once graced the Gordon Head area.
- It's possible that the dwelling could be potentially moved within the site or to a different location altogether.
- There needs to be further investigation and more information on what the property owners may have planned for the site.

MOVED by K. Johnson and Seconded by S. Colwill: "That it be recommended that Council withhold the approval of the demolition permit until a building permit for a new residence has been issued for the site or other approvals for future development have been issued."

CARRIED

1248 BURNSIDE ROAD WEST (STRANTON LODGE) - UPDATE

Bartlett Tree Experts - Copy of Tree Assessment

The Secretary advised that the President had sent an email suggesting that a copy of the Tree Assessment Report be forwarded to the Parks Department for their review and comment.

MOVED by K. Johnson and Seconded by S. Colwill: "That the Tree Assessment Report prepared by Bartlett Tree Experts for 1248 Burnside Road West, be forwarded to the Parks Department for their review and comment prior to the September Saanich Heritage Foundation meeting."

CARRIED

The Secretary advised that she would email a copy of the Tree Assessment Report to the Parks

Department.

4139 LAMBRICK WAY (DODD HOUSE) - UPDATE

<u>Sharpe Therapeutic Design and Landscape – Contract Issues</u>

Email from the Manager of Parks Construction and Maintenance with respect to the dumping of grass clippings and other yard waste in Lambrick Park. Sharpe Therapeutic was told that she could no longer dump the grass clippings in the Park and would have to use the Public Works Yard Waste drop-off on Borden Street.

S. Colwill stated:

- She got a phone message from Theresa Sharpe advising that she wanted out of her contract because she was told she could no longer dump the grass clippings in the Park and would have to haul them away and this would add to her overall costs.
- She contacted other contractors to provide quotes and only heard back from one; the quote per month would be more than what we are presently paying to Sharpe's.
- Theresa Sharpe has stated that she will continue with her current contract but wants to be paid an additional \$75/month for seven months (\$525) to cover the cost of dumping the grass clippings; this would bring the seasonal contract up to \$2790 from \$2265.
- She is suggesting that we increase the contract to \$2600.

Committee discussion noted:

- We have a contract with her at the agreed upon price of \$2265 and we should adhere to it.
- If we get an additional bin for grass clippings from the Public Works Department then that should be sufficient for her to dispose of the clippings.
- If she is interested in continuing with the contract next year then she can submit a quote to reflect an increase to cover dumping costs.
- S. Colwill advised that she will contact Sharpe's and Public Works to arrange for another bin.

Shed Roof

S. Colwill stated:

- She got a quote from Topline Roofing to replace the flat wood roof on the kitchen lean-to with fibreglass shingles.
- They confirmed that there is already plywood under the existing wood shingles so that would not have to be done; the guote is \$4033 for a 30-year shingle.
- She thinks replacing the roof can wait until next year so she will get more quotes.
- Towards the end of June, Trevor from Arbor Renovations will start to wash the exterior of the house and fence so he can see where the paint is starting to fail and then will repaint those areas.

TREASURER'S REPORT - UPDATE

The Treasurer provided the following Statement of Receipts and Disbursements for the period ending April 30, 2014:

Grant Account: \$9,456.74 GIC's: \$32,169.84

Operating Account: \$6,199.44

Hall House Account: \$1,941.50 GIC's: \$22,386.21

Dodd House Account: \$10,174.44 GIC: \$16,285.22

The Secretary confirmed that she had deposited the grant cheque in the amount of \$33,000 into the Grant Account and stopped the automatic monthly withdrawals from the Dodd House and Hall House Accounts to the Operating Account.

MOVED by K. Johnson and Seconded by S. Colwill: "That the Statement of Receipts and Disbursements for the period ending April 30, 2014 be received for information."

CARRIED

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 6:30 pm.

NEXT MEETING

The next Regular meeting of the Saanich Heritage Foundation will be held **September 9, 2014** at 5:30 p.m. in Committee Room #2.

 CHAIRPERSON