

Fort Williams Advisory Commission
Workshop Meeting Minutes - Consultants
May 1, 2008

Present: Chuck Wilson, Frank Butterworth, Maureen McCarthy, Tina Harnden, Greg Althauer, Dan Chase, Bill Nickerson.

Staff: Bob Malley

Consultants: Richard Renner, Brad Woodworth, Tom Emergy

GUESTS: Carol Fritz, Charlie McCarthy and Ellen Nadeau

Called to Order 7:05 p.m. by Chuck Wilson.

Chuck suggested that each person introduce themselves.

After introductions Rick presented the schedule and indicated that this was a collaborative endeavor and encouraged everyone to ask questions and do it early in the process.

Bleachers:

Late July/Early August time frame to have research completed. They were originally financed by subscription. They would like to bring in some equipments and try and determine what the water issues were. Gut feeling is that this will be tricky project and will need careful review and choices. Suggested we may want to consider enhancing the use for users of the bleachers.

Battery and Bunkers:

Battery Garache is revealed and in good condition but is remote and there is a concern there would be vandalism. They may want to reveal some of the structures that have been buried. They are talking with Joel Eastman. They will develop options and cost. Battery Blair is most probably feasibility.

Goddard Mansion:

Focus on the mansion immediate site location. They will review Oest Report.

Interpretive Display:

Idea is to put photos, maps and text showing landmarks, islands, shipping channel. Feel we should clear the brush for better viewing. Suggest three panels facing North, East and South. Target is to have an end of August installation.

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Materials: Enamel (lifetime guarantee)
 Pressure Laminate
 Granite potential for posts
 No frames

Question came up if there was vandalism on the panels; Bob stated panels would be insured through town. Mark up of panels will be shown first. Will do one first to set the tone and present to subcommittee and then continue from there.

Main gate:

Metal fence aluminum screwed together. Commercial grade (powder coated finished) Swing gate tested in the salt air. Talked about various small changes that may have to occur.,

We discussed how information may be disseminated. Asked if PDF files could be sent. Bob stated he would keep everyone in the loop.

Meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,
Maureen McCarthy, Secretary