



**AGENDA**

REGULAR MEETING OF THE ARTS AND HERITAGE COMMITTEE OF THE TOWN OF TABER, TO BE HELD IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS, ADMINISTRATION BUILDING, ON TUESDAY, JANUARY 16, 2024 AT 5:30 PM.

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	<b><u>MOTION</u></b>
<b>1. CALL TO ORDER</b>	
<b>2. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA</b>	X
<b>3. ADOPTION OF THE MINUTES</b>	
ITEM No.3.1 Arts and Heritage Committee Minutes	X
<b>4. BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES - None</b>	
<b>5. ACTION ITEMS</b>	
ITEM No.5.1 Arts & Heritage Committee Information Item	
ITEM No.5.2 Arts & Heritage Committee Standing Item	
<b>6. DELEGATION</b>	
ITEM No.6.1 Delegation: Taber Cotton Pickers Quilt Club	X
<b>7. MEDIA INQUIRIES</b>	
<b>8. CLOSED SESSION - None</b>	
<b>9. OPEN SESSION - None</b>	
<b>10. CLOSE OF MEETING</b>	X

## Arts and Heritage Committee Request for Decision

**Meeting Date:** January 16, 2024

**Subject:**

Arts and Heritage Committee Minutes

**Recommendation:**

That the Arts and Heritage Committee adopts the Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Arts and Heritage Committee held on November 21, 2023, as presented.

**Background:**

Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Arts and Heritage Committee held on November 21, 2023.

**Legislation / Authority:**

MGA, Section 208(1)(a)(c)

**Strategic Plan Alignment:**

N/A

**Financial Implication:**

N/A

**Service Level / Staff Resource Implication:**

N/A

**Justification:**

Approval of minutes is in accordance with the Municipal Government Act Section 208



**Alternative(s):**

That the Arts and Heritage Committee adopts the Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Arts and Heritage Committee held on November 21, 2023 as amended.

**Attachment(s):** Minutes

**APPROVALS:**

**Originated By:**  
Marty Planger

**Chief Administrative Officer (CAO) or Designate:** 

7/2023

MINUTES OF THE ARTS & HERITAGE COMMITTEE SPECIAL MEETING  
HELD IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS, ADMINISTRATION BUILDING ON  
NOVEMBER 21, 2023, AT 5:30 PM.

PRESENT:

Tasha Tams  
Mandy Simmons  
Councillor Joanne Sorensen  
Councillor Carly Firth  
Reeve Tamara Miyanaga  
Susie Thiessen

ABSENT:

ALSO PRESENT:

Brian Martin – Recreation Manager  
Marty Planger – Recording Secretary

**CALL TO ORDER**

T. Tams called the Regular Meeting of the Arts & Heritage Committee to order at 5:30 PM.

**ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA**

RES. 27/2023 MOVED by Reeve T. Miyanaga that the Arts & Heritage adopt the agenda, with the addition of ITEM No.5.4 Discussion of Christmas Events.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**ADOPTION OF THE MINUTES**

**A) Regular meeting – October 17, 2023**

RES. 28/2023 MOVED by Councillor C. Firth that the Arts & Heritage Committee adopts the Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Arts & Heritage Committee held on October 23, 2023, as presented.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**DELEGATION - None**

**BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES - None**

**ACTION ITEMS**

**A) Proposed Bylaw 16-2019 Arts and Heritage Committee Bylaw**

At the October 17, 2023 the Committee discussed the need for monthly meetings and asked for the Bylaw 16-2019 Arts and Heritage Committee Bylaw to be brought back to discuss lessening the annual meetings. This was discussed and the Members agreed meeting quarterly on the months of March, June, September and November would better serve the Committee. They also recognized that the Committee always has the ability to call a special meeting if time dictates.

The Committee also acknowledged that Section 5.9 can be removed since it names and describes the role of the Arts, Culture and Event Coordinator, which is no longer a position within the Town of Taber.

Section 8.3 was discussed and it was said that the Regular Meeting held in June should be tagged for discussing the proposed upcoming events, to allow Administration to consider event funding while working through the Operations Budget in September.

RES. 29/2023 MOVED by Councillor J. Sorensen that the Arts and Heritage Committee recommends to Council to adopt the proposed Bylaw 16-2019 Arts & Heritage Committee Bylaw to include Regular Meeting being held the months of March, June, September, and November, each year.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**B) Arts & Heritage Committee Information Item**

B. Martin reviewed the items in this agenda line by line with the committee.

The Committee discussed a few items further. They mentioned it would be nice if the Christmas Market could be promoted as part of the Farmers' Market Series in the future. This would make the optics better being as it is so much cheaper for vendor registration as some others.

The Urban Garden status update was given. Irrigation is in and it looks great!. Because of the powerlines, cost for custom design/build the Tank 77 replica is not possible at this time with the project budget. Administration will continue to think of this while researching grants. The Members also asked if the very least, could there be a historical write up on the approximate area where the tank stood. B. Martin agreed to ask the Project



Manager, Chris Eagan. It was reported that the garbage/recycling receptacles will be wrapped with photos of the Tank 77.

RES. 30/2023 MOVED by Councillor C. Firth that the Arts & Heritage Committee recommends administration investigate a historical component at the new Urban Park located at the western portion of Block 1, Plan 921 0689 civically know as 5120 47 Avenue which is to become a park upon subdivision, to honor the origins of Tank 77.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

The Committee also discussed the possibility of another Wonders of Wizardry event. It was reported that there may be discussions with a businessman in town possibly hosting the event. The Members thought the event was valuable if it stayed as a "Family" event and keep it low scale, as it would not need to be as costly as the original was. Banquet would not be suggested for future events. Some Committee Members offered to sit on an event committee or help out if it was to be planned again. It was also suggested that it would align well with the Taber Chamber of Commerce and a couple Members agreed to bring up the possibility of partnering on hosting this event, at their next meeting.

### **C) Standing Item – Arts & Heritage Committee Requests**

Mirroring Council's agenda, this item gives the Committee an opportunity to bring forth anything they would like Administration to bring back at future meetings.

An upcoming Tango Fundraiser was mentioned at this time to promote the event.

A member brought forward that the Owner/Operator of Spider Entertainment asked how the Town could support the annual Corn Stalk event. Administration and members discussed because this is a business for profit, the town has to be careful what the support looks like. It was suggested that the Committee invite the gentlemen to a future meeting to hear his requests.

No motions were made at this time.

### **D) Discussion of Christmas Events**

It was reported that there seems to be a lot of overlap with the Christmas Charity Programs. It was advised to make sure you are donating to the Charity you intend to and maybe do some research. The hopes is to get

the organizations together early next year and encourage the groups to work together to do the most good.

Some Season Events mentioned:

Kiwanis Christmas Festival – Dec 13

Taber Food Bank's Stuff the Bus – Dec 5

Santa's Gone Loonie – Dec 7

Hamper Deliver Dec 18/19

Community Supper at the Evangelical Free Church - Dec 16<sup>th</sup>

No motions were made at this time.

**MEDIA INQUIRIES** - None

**CLOSED SESSION** - None

**CLOSE OF MEETING**

Administration wished everyone "Happy Holidays" and thanked the Committee Members for sharing all their time and talents this year.

RES. 31/2023 MOVED by Councillor C. Firth that the Regular Meeting of the Taber Arts and Heritage Committee is hereby closed.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY AT 6:39 PM

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CHAIRMAN

## Arts and Heritage Committee Request for Decision

**Meeting Date: January 16, 2024**

**Subject:**

Arts & Heritage Committee Information Item

**Recommendation:**

No motion is required.

**Background:**

What has been happening in the art, culture, event world:

1. The Recreation Department has been working along with organization to host many upcoming events for 2023 and seen over 120 events. It was a busy year!
2. Community Grant Applications have been awarded and organization letters have been sent out
3. "Urban Garden" just about complete
4. 2024 Event Planning
  1. June- BBQ?
  2. June – Senior Week/Recreation Month
  3. June 20<sup>th</sup>- September 12<sup>th</sup> – Farmers Market
  4. June 15<sup>th</sup>- Kids Can Catch
  5. July 1<sup>st</sup>- Canada Day
  6. July 3<sup>rd</sup>-6<sup>th</sup> – Summer Games
  7. July 19<sup>th</sup> – Taber's Table
  8. August 2<sup>nd</sup>-9<sup>th</sup> - VERSET
  9. August 9<sup>th</sup>- Movie in the Park
  10. August 24<sup>th</sup>- Cornfest Fun Run
  11. October 31 – Halloween
  12. September – Culture Days
  13. November 2<sup>nd</sup> – Veterans Banner Project
  14. November 11<sup>th</sup>- Remembrance Day





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15. November 15<sup>th</sup> – Winterfest
  16. December 7<sup>th</sup> – Christmas Market

**Legislation / Authority:**

N/A

**Strategic Plan Alignment:**

General information, therefore, it does not specifically apply.

**Financial Implication:**

Staff resources to be utilized for all items listed above.

**Service Level / Staff Resource Implication:**

Staff resources to be utilized for all items listed above.

**Justification:**

To keep the Arts & Heritage Committee informed of the current municipal information correspondences.

**Alternative(s):**

1. The Arts & Heritage Committee could seek clarification on any matters from administration.
2. The Arts & Heritage Committee could discuss, in depth, any matters raised by this communication and take action through resolution.

**Attachment(s):**

**APPROVALS:**

**Originated By:**

Marty Planger

**Chief Administrative Officer (CAO) or Designate:**

## Arts and Heritage Committee Request for Decision

**Meeting Date:** January 16, 2024

**Subject:**

Arts & Heritage Committee Standing Item

**Recommendation:**

That the Art & Heritage Committee uses this standing agenda item opportunity to address administration about their concerns, ask questions or ask for further information on a topic of interest.

**Background:**

To assist in this information sharing and ensure agreement on the relative importance of activities, and to facilitate a common understanding, administration established a standing item on the Arts & Heritage Committee agenda that would allow the members to raise issues of individual concern.

This allows discussions amongst the Arts & Heritage Committee members and with administration on how best to deal with these concerns. It is an opportunity for the Art & Heritage Committee to provide suggestions or direction to administration as to how best proceed. The intention of this RFD is for items to be brought forward from the floor at the meeting.

**UPDATE:**

B. Martin will give an update following motion made at the October 17, 2023 meeting:

***RES. 24/2023 MOVED by Councillor T. Miyanaga that the Arts & Heritage Committee requests the Town of Taber Council to review and consider ongoing and current space for the Taber Irrigation Impact Museum.***

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

**Legislation / Authority:**

Bylaw 16-2019

**Strategic Plan Alignment:**

Improve Internal & External Communications

**Financial Implication:**

The financial implication will vary depending on the discussion outcomes but should consider the alignment of Town facility and service provision with the approved budget.



**Service Level / Staff Resource Implication:**

Having a regular Arts & Heritage Committee discussion about service levels will improve the ability of administration to meet the expectations of the Arts & Heritage Committee rather than dealing with the request of individuals on an ad hoc basis.

**Justification:**

This will bring administration efficiencies and the better alignment of service and expenditures with the budget. It will also help with communication protocols.

**Alternative(s):**

Alternatives will vary based on the discussion.

**Attachment(s):**

**APPROVALS:**

**Originated By:**  
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## Arts and Heritage Committee Request for Decision

**Meeting Date:** January 16, 2024

**Subject:**

Delegation: Taber Cotton Pickers Quilt Club

**Recommendation:**

The Arts & Heritage Committee accepts the information presented by the Taber Cotton Pickers Quilt Club, for information.

**Background:**

Administration invited the Taber Cotton Pickers Quilt Club to this Arts & Heritage Committee Meeting to speak to the projects being worked on, and what they have planned for 2024. The Club hits the notes of heritage as well as arts and Administration is happy they have agreed to attend. Val Leahy has agreed to present to the Committee.

**Legislation / Authority:**

Arts & Heritage Committee Bylaws

**Strategic Plan Alignment:**

Define & Practice Good Governance

**Financial Implication:**

N/A

**Service Level / Staff Resource Implication:**

N/A

**Justification:**

The Committee is always welcoming groups and is willing to help anyway it can with projects and events.

**Alternative(s):**

1. The Arts & Heritage Committee could request more information to be brought back.

**Attachment(s):**

**APPROVALS:**





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Office of the Chief Administrative Officer

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