

Item No. 9.2.1/9.2.2

Halifax Explosion 100th Anniversary Special Advisory Committee May 17/17

Time Capsule Update Memo

April 19/17 Meeting Discussion

The proposed contents developed at the January Time Capsule Workshop were discussed. The Committee voted on each item and responsibility for obtaining the document or item was assigned. The final content collection date was moved ahead to May 30, 2017. Some items such as Event programme and newspaper clippings will become available at a later date. After the vote, the Committee agreed to revisit the content list at the April 19/17 meeting and relate the final list back to the HAESAC legacy and guiding principles.

Digital content was discussed and HRM advised that a USB Drive or portable hard drive would be a preferred method of storing this material and could be accommodated in the new Time Capsule.

The Virtual or “live” digital content was discussed, with the idea presented that the public could provide their own Halifax Explosion content/experiences. The stories, images, etc would be captured in electronic format and be hosted on a website. Due to the considerable resources curating and managing this project would require, it is not feasible at this time.

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Content	Yes	No	Member Responsible	Date
Coin - Description	Yes – If circulating Coin is developed for 100 th Anniversary		Not assigned	
Stamp - Description	Yes – If Commemorative Stamp is issued		Not assigned	
George Elliott Clarke Poem	Yes – The Mayor has written and asked for Poem		Clerk's Office to provide if one is available.	
Halifax Poet Laureate	Yes – Rebecca Thomas		No confirmation on works from either party	
100 th Anniversary Event	Yes		Culture and Events to	

Programme			provide	
Official Letter – The Queen	Yes		Refer to Clerk’s Office – The HEASAC will submit the request for the six letters to the Clerk’s Office and the office will send the official request for letters.	
Official Letter – The Prime Minister	Yes		Refer to Clerk’s Office	
Official Letter – The Premier	Yes		Refer to Clerk’s Office	
Official Letter – Governor General	Yes		Refer to Clerk’s Office	
Official Letter – The Mayor’s open letter to citizens	Yes		Refer to Clerk’s Office	
Bibliography of Halifax Explosion publications		NO		
Paul Erikson’s History of Fort Needham	Yes		Barry Cahill to provide a copy. There has been a request that the Committee be provided electronic copies in order to review the article prior to final consent.	
Updated list of fatalities since 1985	Yes		Renee Gruszecki to obtain in Nov/17	
Catalogue of contemporary works of art specific to the 1917 Explosion		NO		
Catalogue of projects	Yes		Peter Greechan, HRM	

funded by the Explosion Grants program			Community Grants to provide	
1917 Explosion artifacts		NO	It was determined that any Explosion artifact should remain on public display or publically accessible.	
Maps and Plans of 1917 and 2017	Maybe – further discussion required		Perhaps best left for digital format	
Grocery Receipt from 2017, and copies of the 1917 and 1985 receipts	Yes – The original receipts will be photographed or scanned and a contemporary receipt added.			
Local school art project	Yes. A painted tile from this project has been requested.		Peter Greechan, HRM Community Grants, to inquire	
Newspaper articles re: 100 th Anniversary commemoration	Yes		All members	
Local restaurant menu		NO		
Plans for Fort Needham Park legacy project	Yes		Barry Cahill to prepare a summary of Fort Needham.	
Report to Council to approve the Administrative Order for the 100 th Anniversary Commemoration	Yes		City Clerk to provide official copy of the AO	
List of HEASAC members (start to finish)	Yes. HESAC to forward preferred spelling and title to Clerk's Office.		City Clerk to provide official record of members	
Map of flora that		NO		

survived the Explosion				
Map of areas devastated and damaged by the explosion (insurance map)	Maybe. In 1987, the Maritime Museum produced an exhibit of photographs titled "Moment in Time" that captured images taken on Dec.6/87 at 9:05.		Renee Gruszecki may be able to co-ordinate a similar project for 2017. Details to follow.	
NEW ITEMS FOR CONSIDERATION				
Commemorative Gold Coin Information	Yes – Provide photographs of the gold coin at HRM Archives and the Royal Mint description.		Kellie McIvor, Culture and Events to prepare	
Documentary film "Halifax Explosion: The Deaf Experience" an Explosion grant recipient.	Yes. Digital copy of the film to be included in Digital TC.		Clerk's Office to co-ordinate with Linda Campbell and Jim McDermott as per Item 6.1, dated March 15/17.	
Challenge Coin	Yes. If Halifax issues a Challenge Coin as token for the 100 th Anniversary, one will be included in TC.		Pending budget decision Kellie to confirm	