

Memo



TO: Chair, Finance and Administration Committee

FROM: Chief Administrative Officer

DATE: April 9, 2021

SUBJECT: Heritage Sign – Pallies Place

There is a written request from Jayne Ingram for the placement of a heritage sign commemorating Pallies Place to be placed at the corner of Cedar and Nelson Streets. I had a discussion with Pat Foster who did not have an issue with the proposal. The Kaatza Historical Society is no longer in existence.

Please note a cheque for \$125 was also included in that request as a donation from Mrs. Ingram. The attached policy on "Landmark Recognition" clearly states the applicant or applicants will have to bear the cost and installation of the sign in its entirety. We may want to treat the \$125 as a deposit.

Note: There was a similar request in 2012 for a signage to be located by Lambs Hill and it was accomplished with the applicant paying for all costs, as per the policy.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Joseph A. Fernandez', written over a horizontal line.

Joseph A. Fernandez

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March 12, 2021

Mayor and Council
Town of Lake Cowichan

RE: Heritage Sign commemorating Pallies Place long time history in our community

I write to all of you requesting for your kind consideration a Heritage sign be installed at the corner of Cedar and Nelson where the new named Penny Lane exists today. I would like to honour my grandparents and family who are long pioneers in our community.

Pallies Place was built by hand by my Grandparents Bill and Verna Palliser who came here hunting in the 1920's and loved the Cowichan River. They came from Victoria. They bought the property. They spent a lot of time and effort since the 1930's on their property. Throughout the years my Grandmother owned other properties in our community which she used the sale of to support herself financially through her life as her Husband, my grandfather died in the river in 1951 after he saw a young fellow fall of the Trestle at Greendale, jumped in his river boat, and died of a heart attack while on the river. Local resident Don Palmer can attest to this. Don Palmer also guided on the river as a young fellow for my Nana, Verna Palliser.

Together my grandparents built Pallies and all the cabins and moved them around on logs. The original house they built on the river was moved by logs to the southwest corner of their property and became #4. It has been modernized and a new owner under the Strata at Penny Lane. Nana and Grandpa built a new home on the riverfront of the property. Although modernized and renovated 5 existing cabins are still on that property today.

My Grandparents built Pallies Place as a hunting fishing retreat/ motel and entertained many Fly Fisher and hunters over the many years. MLA from Kamloops and Radio personality Rafe Mair often talked about Fly Fishing the Cowichan, staying with Ma Palliser, and enjoying dinner and a scotch. Pallies was a large part of our community where Forest workers like scalers stayed, Curlers, Tree Planters, Hockey School attendees and School teachers who started out there and stayed a lifetime in our community. For example, Georgi and John Clark. Not only did they bring business to our community, but many people over the years also made beds, painted, mowed lawns, and earned money.

My Nana Verna, owner and operator ran Pallies until her death in 1991 at the age of 91. She contributed, donated, and helped many people in our community. After that, my brother Wayne and his wife Pamela and children took over Pallies and ran it for many years and sold to the current owners. Wayne and Pamela contributed long hours to Pallies and entertained Guests from the Ohtaki exchange program and hosting many guests over the years like my grandparents.

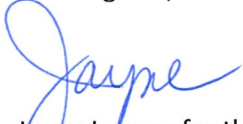
I feel heritage is an important part of our community and we need to honour those before us who helped make our community what it is today. Growing and striving for the best for our residents.

There is lots of history here and I look forward to our Town recognizing the heritage that we have in our community to remind us of hard-working Pioneers before us who paved the way.

Our family would like to contribute to the Town to help offset the costs of this Heritage request. We have included a kind donation.

Thank you for taking the time to consider our request.

Kind regards,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Jayne". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, looping initial "J".

Jayne Ingram for the
Palliser Family

TOWN OF LAKE COWICHAN

COUNCIL POLICY



DATE APPROVED: December 20th, 2011

APPROVED BY: R.0215(4)/11

SUBJECT: Landmark Recognition

PURPOSE

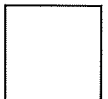
To designate landmarks that have historical or folklore significance.

SCOPE

The installation of markers or signs to signify landmarks on public lands will only occur after formal approval by Council.

POLICY GUIDELINES

1. The process for recognizing landmarks can be initiated by Council or individuals or groups. Only one landmark dedication per application is permitted.
2. **Landmark Dedication Process**
 - (a) Requests must be made in writing by those seeking the placement of markers or signs at the desired location.
 - (b) Council may also initiate the process for recognizing landmarks of historical or folkloric importance but any such process must include referral to the Kaatza Historical Society for its input.
 - (c) The applicants or Council, as the case may be, must outline in writing the reasons for requesting the landmark dedication.
 - (d) The Parks, Recreation and Culture Committee will be tasked with the review of the applications or Council recommendations.
 - (e) The Parks, Recreation and Culture Committee may rely on the Kaatza Historical Society for its input on requests initiated by private individuals or groups.
 - (f) Any recommendation for the placement of markers or signs must be subsequently ratified by Council.
 - (g) The Town will determine nature of the markers.



- (h) Where approvals are provided as a result of applications made by individuals or groups, the cost and installation of the dedication markers will be borne entirely by the applicants. A deposit of the estimated costs must be placed with the Town.

3. General

It is recognized that limitations of public funds for council initiated requests or the maintenance of the markers will affect the administration of this policy.



Joseph A. Fernandez
Chief Administrative Officer
Town of Lake Cowichan

