

Manager's Report

9 July 2024

Update From Last Meeting:

I have submitted a request to CBT's Non-Profit Advisors Program regarding a strategic planning session.

I'm happy to answer any questions the Board may have regarding the proposed forest fire emergency response plan! (*Attached again as a memory refresher*)

Operations Highlights:

All four summer staff are now on board and working well. They have been undertaking almost all visitor services tasks as well as their own individual projects.

Migration of our existing collections database to Catalogit should begin within the next month. We have continued adding objects to the existing database and two of the students have been working to address some of the data issues in it. Over the next few weeks I will begin training staff and volunteers on using the Catalogit system so that, when the migration is complete, we can begin using it relatively quickly.

The Ice Sports Legacy Exhibit project has recruited a cabinet maker and graphic designer, so we'll be in the thick of that project for the next few months. More hockey/sports equipment has come in, and the working group will have bi-weekly meetings starting 9 July.

Key Topic for Discussion:

Grain Elevators: There are possible outcomes/collections acquisitions/collaborative interpretive opportunities stemming from the planned removal of the white grain elevator. *See attached.*

Interim Position: I'd appreciate some feedback on the various options we have for filling an interim position while Alyson is on leave. *Details attached.*

Important Dates:

- History About Town: 15-20 July
- Tammy's Summer Holidays: 21 July – 3 August
- Pioneer Camp: 6-10 August
- CKCA Culture Tour: 10-11 August
- Jr. Curators' Camp: 20-24 August
- Students' Last Day: 31 August
- BCMA Conference 23-27 September
- Tammy's Fall Holidays: 28 Sep – 5 Oct

Collections:

Hepher firearms are still stalled and looking very likely that they will not be transferred from Galt.

Programming:

Schools, seniors, Kids Day, Canada Day programs all very well received.

Exhibits:

Work on a Fall Fair exhibit will begin shortly.

Community:

Attended the naming ceremony for ʔakuʔni Park and Indigenous Peoples' Day event at Yaqaan Nukiy

Volunteerism:

Volunteerism numbers and hours are remaining consistent.

Staffing:

Museum Host Brenda Oler joined us just in time for Kids Day.

The Creston Museum uses the past to inspire connections with the community today, address its challenges, and make it a better place to live, learn, and explore