

Update From Last Meeting:

Facilities projects:

- **Carr Building:** \$3,547.57 received from ReDi grant for roof; Jim is scheduling. Window shades ordered; Marshal Thompson preparing an estimate for the sliding-door-storage-section. Chairs in progress? CBT's new BEAMS grant not likely to fund but worth submitting EOI.
- **Accessibility Projects:** Wheelchair ramp is scheduled to start 17 June. Signage forthcoming for accessible parking; staff have been given guidance. Wheelchair thresholds for Museum doorways are being ordered this week; staff have been trained. Work on accessibility/what to expect section of website to start late June/early July
- **Washroom Renovation:** Nothing to report until fall

Our Impact:

Blossom Fest saw many people coming in for the Cold War exhibit (the event schedule included it even though I'd asked them not to). Most seemed to enjoy the Civil Defence video we presented temporarily, and interest seems high for the full exhibit. The exhibit includes personal stories from local foresters, farmers, environmental activists, Chris Luke, and others, who all seem very pleased to be invited to share their knowledge.

Operations Highlights:

- **Visitor Feedback:** Many very positive visitor comments, especially regarding guided tours – "Glad they got VIP treatment" – and extent of grounds and space.
- **Visitor Engagement:** Autistic boy able to access maps of town for personal interest in comparing then and now; visitor identifying himself and friends in photos in Łmađanwiskani exhibit
- **Multiple Services:** Students are reporting that a high proportion of visitors are accessing multiple services: an artist touring the Museum and accessing blueprints for inspiration; older couple accessing photographs to find family members.

Further Discussion:

- **2027 Operating Budget:** Draft attached.
- Luke's lawsuit update

Important Dates:

- Elevator Programming begins: 18 June
- Cold War Exhibit Opening: 20 June
- Kids Day: 27 June
- Canada Day (2 events): 1 July
- History About Town: 13-18 July
- Legion Event/Brown Bag: 18 July
- Tammy's Holidays: 19 July - 5ish August
- Summer Camps: Throughout August

Collections:

Maps, photos, objects being added to database rapidly.

Programming:

All summer events being promoted, added to website and social media.

Exhibits:

The Quiet Front: Creston Valley and the Cold War opening 20 June.

Community:

Hyaa Qazi hired to staff elevator tours. Elevator will be open Thursday-Saturday beginning 18 June; preparing tour content, gift shop items, promotions

Volunteerism:

Regulars continuing.

Staffing:

All current staff working well and balancing projects with visitor services. Interviewing this week for Museum Host position.

Time Accruing: (31 May)

*Sick Days: 5/12
Vacation Days: 22/30
Overtime Days: 29.57*

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