



## Community Association

### Board Meeting Minutes

Pearkes Recreation Centre, **7:00 P.M.**, May 3, 2012

Attendance : Ray Farmer, Rob Wickson, Chris Kask, Scott Karpes, Sue Koolman, Harry Lewis, Gabe Epstein, Katherine Brandt, Trevor Hancock, Norma Dowler, Arden Little, Pam Loadman, John Hoole, Brett Lowther, Brian Menzies

1. Adoption of Agenda/ Apr. 5, 2012 minutes
2. Reports
  - a. Finance: Chris – donation revenue is up \$2000 (picnic –Gorge Plaza, Riocan and Peninsula Co-op
    - Expenses – website \$2000 to Digital Vault
    - Cash - \$26,000
  - b. Membership – Ray – 68 members  
-Ray to meet with Rob and Chris to plan how to increase membership
  - c. SCAN/Council – Rob – Workshop May 12 at Pearkes
    - i. how community associations interact with staff on development proposals – need 3 volunteers
    - ii. protecting food and land in Saanich – nee 3 volunteers
  - d. GWI – no report
3. Communications –
  - a. Newsletter – May 8 deadline with proofs to Melinda by May 14 – Arden will handle advertising for this issue before handing off to Vera
  - b. Web Site – Rob – nearly done – big improvement – password keys have been sent to board members
4. Transportation  
- Norma – separate agreements for each planting area – nearly ready to plant – cushion trial is over
5. Parks
  - a. Gorge Park Cleanup on Saturday, May 12 at 9:00 a.m.
  - b. Gorge Park signs – Ray – hopefully something to report in two weeks
  - c. Cuthbert Holmes Park Management Plan- Brian facilitated a very lengthy discussion with diverse views – consensus was that the board should take a role in the process leading up to a June open house – need to work with Saanich on this and look for a third option involving education – John to formulate a “response” via email and circulate to board
6. Developments:
  - a. Gorge/Earl Grey – May 17 open house at Pearkes

- b. Gorge/Admirals Rob met with Chuck Bell – looking for variances around the perimeter re setbacks
  - c. Riocan – the residential component is hopefully back on track
  - d. EY – houses have been demolished
7. Jane’s Walk, May 6th – Harry – 20 people have signed up
8. Gorge Cultural District, proposal from Councilor Vic Derman – Harry
- Arts Culture and Heritage committee passed a motion that Saanich allocate funds for art on bridge – this would be the first area with such a designation - perhaps we can have a “display” at the picnic
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9. Craigflower Manor and Schoolhouse – Harry – they’re having problems – maybe tie in something with Arts, Culture and Heritage programming – should we meet with TLC
10. Picnic – “Royal Gorge Canada Day Picnic” – we’ll have the Queen impersonator – help with media and cycling has been secured – Quinn and Christina Bacan to headline
11. Cuthbert Holmes Fish Fence, signs – Scott – there is no signage there – we should work on this
12. UW Community Tables – Gabe – they will continue, with a focus on long term projects – discussion on relationship with GTCA – should be an arm of the board, like WGTC – important to avoid duplication of projects
13. Neighbourhood Cohesion – Community Social Planning Council – poverty and homeless issues – seems parallel to Community Tables – Rob will attend
14. Affordable Housing Workshop, Fall 2012- Rob will bring more information to June meeting – Henry Kampoff and Jim Bennett on board – perhaps a TED talk
15. Gorge Swim Event- Rob – time constraints so it should be kept simple – to be held in August – email Rob if you’re interested
16. Victoria Canoe and Kayak Club – Guts and Glory festival July 14 – dragon boats – Sue and Rob to meet
17. Music in the Park – July 31 – cap if 6 for booths – must be non-profit except for food vendors
18. Tent – motion to spend \$1500 for a tent with our logo – msc – can be done by June
19. Environmental Law Society wants to talk with Rob and Dorothy Chambers re stormwater issues

Adjourned at 9:30