

Gorge Tillicum Community Association

November 4, 2010 Minutes

Attendance: Rob Wickson, Gabe Epstein, Sue Koolman, Virginia Bennett, Brian Menzies, Chris Kask, Karen Larabee, Ray Farmer, Arden Little, Katherine Brandt, Trevor Hancock

1. Adoption of October Minutes and Agenda

2. Reports

a. Finance- at break even level

- Board members should think about next year's budget

b. Membership – we should consider putting a self addressed envelope in January

Newsletter

c. SCAN – no report

d. Council – beach fires banned

- LRT = pro motion passed unanimously

- snow removal is owner's responsibility – we should put on website

- EY Properties is moved to public hearing – parking an issue

3. Communications

a. Newsletter – sent to Melinda Harris on Oct. 25

- Ed is away – need route help

b. Website – Jeremy Dahl from the UVIC Computer Store has given us a mockup and

pricing information – we'll wait to see what response we get from

newsletter

c. Community Bulletin Board– on track

4. Transportation

a. West Gorge – will be trying temporary speed cushions

b. Admirals Road – Draft transportation Corridor Plan, Aug. 2010 – this doesn't meet the Local Area Plan but Western Communities will likely support this

-transit changes should precede an interchange

-Graham Hill is chair of CRD Planning Committee

-we'll send letters of concern to Saanich Planning and CRD

c. Craigflower Bridge– no updates

5. Cuthbert Holmes

- Gabe has visited Spectrum and Colquitz schools with Becky from Saanich

- Gabe, Virginia and Julia to meet with Dorothy Chambers and Julian Anderson

re Community gardens

- BMX – we have made no decision on this issue as a board – there will be an opportunity for public input in the new year

6. Gorge Park Visioning

- Scott contacted Don Munro and Cedar Shores – Jan. 22

- grant of \$1250 to be spent by March 31, 2011

- Ray is park steward for Gorge Park

- Gabe suggests formation of a Friends of Gorge Park

7. Development Updates

- Saanich Senior Living project is held up at the moment

8. Saanich Climate Action Update– Mark Boysen – Saanich Sustainability Coordinator

- Climate Action Plan passed by Saanich Council in April
- Adaptation Plan Open House tonight – downloadable draft is on Saanich website
- Saanich doesn't have a main driver like the interior or Vancouver
- transportation tune-up –change driving habits and behaviours – Sarah Webb of CRD

is doing train the trainer workshops

- perhaps this can be our AGM theme

9. Affordable Housing Workshop

- \$8000 available – Rob will work on agenda – Brian/Trevor to assist

10. Report Card and General Board discussion

a. Communications

- Website – Brian and Chris are working on this and would like to get it done as soon as possible with a launch at the AGM
- Newsletter – “market” delivery as an exercise opportunity for seniors
- Email list – go beyond just membership – ask for emails on website, newsletter, bulletin boards – need policies and guidelines on what we share

b. Community engagement –linking with strata councils and businesses – business

improvement under our umbrella – form a subcommittee to work on

this-need a time frame

- Gabe will lead a subcommittee to engage people through events
- Community centre? – what might it look like – burnside/gorge
- long term project – brick building near waterway park is a

possibility – we should meet with Saanich on this

- area west of Burnside (Sue's area) – separate sheet for that area with

Newsletter

c. Budgeting/Organizing

-Executive committee needs to have more input in agenda, not just Rob – help to streamline meeting

-Executive committee is the finance committee

d. Committee structures – Rob and Gabe to put together an organization chart

e. Transportation – host a municipal all candidates meeting

Next meeting is Christmas gathering at Gorge Pointe Pub on December 9

Adjourned 9:50