

## Minutes of FGCA Board Meeting , July 10, 2017

Fairfield Community Place, 1330 Fairfield Rd.

### Community Voices

At 6:30 p.m. Don welcomed Rev. Meaghan Crosby-Shearer, the new pastor of St. Matthias Church, who gave an overview of the church's activities and congregation and welcomed any opportunities to work together.

### Welcome & Call to Order

Don welcomed all and called the meeting to order at 6:45pm.

### Land Acknowledgement

Alice gave the land acknowledgement.

### Agenda Review and Approval:

**Moved** by David seconded by Philip that agenda be approved. **Carried.**

### In attendance:

Don Monsour, Heather Murphy, Anne Tomy, David Biltek, Philip Sawkins, Andy Brownwright, Brett Duncan, Forrest Smith, George Zador, Alice Albert, Paul Brown, Andrei Whitaker, Dave Thompson (via phone)

### Regrets:

Scott Davis, Lynn Beak.

### Quorum established: 13/14

### Adopt Minutes of June 5, 2017:

**Moved** by Forrest, seconded by Alice that minutes be adopted. **Carried.** Brett to present March 6 minutes to Sept. Board

### Budget discussion:

The operating budget for the 2017-18 fiscal year was presented. Philip pointed out that the budget includes operation of the new daycare program. **Moved** by Philip, seconded by Forrest that the budget be approved as presented. **Carried.**

### Community Voices Follow Up:

None

### Recap of Action Items from last Board Meeting

Vanya reported on the response of board members on their intentions to serve on next year's board. Some still undecided.

### Councillor Liaison's Q&A

Items discussed included 'Lunch & Learn' on Harbour Cities, Gonzales draft plan to COTW Thurs., mgt.

plan needed for deer(ticks/ Lyme disease) Mt. St. Angela problems. blanket impact of moratorium on demolition impacting Beacon Arms, funding for CALUC approved in COV budget.

### **Executive Director's Q&A**

Evan Pepper is new Child care coordinator. Report circulated on summer wind-down, year-end wrap up etc.

### **Committee reports & Special Projects**

#### **Executive**

**Moved** by Philip, seconded by Forrest to transfer signing authority to new Secretary Andrew and remove signing authority from Brett. **Carried.**

#### **Place**

Philip announced that an adjusted contract as presented, to repair and upgrade portable onsite at 1330 Fairfield Rd could be started in August and completed by mid-October. Contract presented is with Aryze Developments and is a fixed rate contract for maximum scope of the project. **Moved** by Philip, second by Forrest that the contract be approved and awarded as presented. **Carried. Moved** by Philip, seconded by Forrest that the expenditure of \$90K be taken 50% from operational reserves of 2016-17 budget and 50% from cash reserves. **Carried.**

#### **Finance**

Philip outlined an investment plan for GIC's going forward 2-3 years

#### **CALUC**

David circulated the Dallas Rd. amenities report. Suggestion that immediate neighbors be invited to preliminary developer presentations. There are now four Board members on the CALUC.

**Motion** by David Biltek, seconded by ??:

I move on behalf of the Committee that we advise the Mayor and Council plus the Mayor's Task Force on Daycare that they should consider:

Daycare, high quality daycare is a general benefit for the whole city, society, and making sure it is adequately provided and located would be a worthwhile public policy for City Council, therefore

it behooves the City to develop a policy on location of day cares and

to scale day cares into small, and large and designate appropriate locations for both. Perhaps small day cares located in residences with ten or fewer children are appropriate for residential neighbourhoods, while larger day cares which do have a place in the service spectrum should be located in more highly developed areas. Perhaps a policy for major commercial and/or residential developments whereby day care facilities are required within the premises would be a worthwhile

**-Motion tabled.**

### **Fund Development/Community Engagement**

Discussion of "rewards cards" for FGCA members at local businesses.

### **Street Life**

Heather will have meeting July 20th and issues would include: Emergency preparedness, urban forest, renaming Trutch St.

### **VCAN**

Don spoke of VCAN letter in support of councillor liaison. VCAN to meet monthly, doodle sent.

### **Strategic Planning**

Forrest outlined Governance Strategic Priority. Purposes are to be drafted for September board meeting, bylaws for November.

**Motion** to accept all committee reports: Philip Sawkins/2<sup>nd</sup> Brett Duncan, **carried**.

### **Old Business**

Alice circulated report on Moss St Farmer's Market. Report was seen as valuable knowledge, questions around the market moving? Parking, uncertainty causing issues, many feel the market is the best thing in Fairfield. Perhaps needs total rethink!

### **New Business**

AGM date set for Oct.21, 2-4pm.

**Motion** by David Biltek, seconded by Paul Brown:

That the Board of the FGCA appoint a Task Force on Bicycle Lanes in Fairfield and Gonzales. The task is primarily but not restricted to:

- reviewing the proposed bike lanes that the City of Victoria has for these neighbourhoods,
- looking at alternatives,
- assessing casual routes already in use by cyclists and if there is some way to enhance and designate,
- assess suitability of bike maintenance centres in various locations in the neighbourhoods.

The task force is also requested to review these initial terms of reference and advise on additional items after their first two meetings

The task force would use surveys, community meetings, direct meetings with cyclists and city officials and other means to make their assessments.

The task force would commence work by September 1<sup>st</sup>, and would be expected to report back by January 15<sup>th</sup>, 2018.

The task force would be composed of 10 – 12 people from the neighbourhoods who have an interest in cycling, public policy, parks and recreation, public transportation, and will commit the necessary time to complete the task on time, one of whom will be appointed by the Cook

Street Village Association, as well the Board may choose to appoint one of their number to the Task Force

The outcome would be a report to the Board with recommendations as to future actions, policy decisions, or representations etc. that the Board and the FGCA might take.

The task force could be appointed and supervised through the CALUC or report directly to the Board

The Chair will be appointed by the Board on the recommendation of the Task Force

Notices in FGCA emails, the Observer (if available), Facebook Posts and referrals from Board and staff would be used to recruit members

Motion **carried**.

Reconciliation activities. **Moved** by David Biltek, seconded by Heather Murphy that the Board advise Mayor Helps that the FGCA would like to take on a reconciliation project or projects in the neighbourhood, and that we would like her to bring this to 'The Family'. Motion **carried**, AW abstained.

### **Approval of new members**

**Moved** by Alice, seconded by David that names on the list as presented be accepted. **Carried**.

### **Summary of Action Items from this Meeting**

Changes in signing authority, book meetings for HR and Fund Development Committees.

### **Announcements**

Next Board Meeting: Sept 11.

**Adjournment** at 9:15. **Moved** by David, seconded by Forrest that meeting be adjourned. **Carried**.