

FGCA Board Meeting

**MINUTES**

MARCH 02, 2020

Fairfield Community Place  
1330 Fairfield Road  
7pm - 9pm

Attendess:

Dave Thompson

Brian Vante

Bryan Rowley

Jennifer Matthews

Julia Warren

Michael Hirsch

Patricia Ward

Scott Davis

Staff:

Vanya McDonell		
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Regrets:

Don Monsour		
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<b>WELCOME &amp; ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS</b>	7:00pm
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1. Community Voices
  - 1.1. No presentations
2. Call to Order and land acknowledgement (Jen Matthews for acknowledgement)  
**Meeting called to order: 7:00pm**
3. Confirmation of Agenda
  - 3.1. Establish Quorum (7/12) – 10/12 present
  - 3.2. Additions to the agenda – no additions noted

**Motion: To approve the agenda. Move: Bryan, Second: Julia. Carried**

<b>CONSENT AGENDA</b>	7:10pm
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4. Review action items form last meeting  
*No items to review.*

5. Adopt minutes from Feb 3, 2020 Meeting.  
*No posted on the Board portal, will be adopted next meeting.*

6. City Council Liaison Q&A – City Neighbourhood Team

*Update on the city's activity grant program. The grant program is open for applications from March 1 through March 31.*

*The city has three areas of focus this year:*

- *The UN tree challenge and finding activity applications that support the goal of winning the challenge. Guidelines for this challenge are going to posted early March.*
- *Climate action Climate action to go kit. For residents to conduct energy audits within the group. It's a great starting point for groups*
- *Community Murals – Council is looking for design and activity applications for murals. Projects are meant to completed by residents however, a contracted artist is able to help*

*Note: FGCA can only apply for one of each type of grant but can support numerous applications from community groups.*

*A pre-application meeting is mandatory so that applicants can find out what, if any, special requirements are needed.*

*City is discussing new conversion regulations that potentially have some effect on the neighbourhood relating to new developments.*

*Memorial Crescent changes – changes made to the crescent is permanent and the new use of the area is designed more for open pedestrian space. The designs are public, however the work is currently on-going by the CRD. Any ideas for use of the area should be made soon.*

*Moss Rocks improvement. – Sidewalks to be put along May Street with designs for a walkway down to the oceanfront.*

*Councillor Young suggested that maintenance of the pedestrian access walkways might make for good project(s) for the association.*

7. Richardson Bike lanes update – response from City of Victoria  
*A FGCA member requested FGCA request another consultation regarding to the Richardson Bike lane. The association contacted the city who declined to have further consultation on the bike lane.*

8. Approval of New Members as posted  
*No application for new members received.*

Motion: Approve the Consent Agenda Move: Chris , Second: Bryan. Carried.

<b>NEW BUSINESS</b>
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7:30pm
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9. Strategic Planning

9.1. Bryan will present an update to the Board.

*Bryan shared that in conversation with the Executive Committee there is a feeling that all of the directors need to be involved with finalizing and moving the strategic plan forward. Given the difficulties getting the directors together the suggestion has been made to use the May Board meeting as a planning session. The plan is have the May meeting running a little longer, 6pm – 9pm in order to have enough time for discussion*

**Motion:** To use the meeting time for the May Board meeting for a strategic planning Move: Bryan, Second: Brian **Carried.**

10. Neighbourhood Improvement Committee terms of reference

The Governance committee has worked with NIC to

Motion: To approved the revised Neighbourhood Improvement Committee terms of reference. Move

<b>REPORTS</b>
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8:10pm
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11. Committee Reports

11.1. **Executive Committee:** *Highlights of the last meeting really centered around the use of the May meeting for a strategic planning session.*

11.2. **Finance Committee:** as posted – *No report.*

**Question from Finance Committee Chair:** *Are there any overdue bills? No.*

11.3. **Governance Committee:** - *No report*

11.4. **CALUC** – *Committee members briefed the Board on the last meeting regarding the Burdett Street development.*

11.5. **Streetlife Committee:**

**Motion:** *That the Board approves Elaine Weidner as the chair of Streetlife Committee Julia Second Pat* **Carried.**

11.6. **Neighbourhood Improvement Committee:** - as posted

11.6.1. Motion: Speed-safe Champions - NIC proposal.

**Motion:** That the FGCA Board instructs the Neighbourhood Improvement Committee to implement the Safe Speed Champions Program. **Move:** Pat, **Second:** Brian. **Carried.**

11.6.2. Climate Action Group - Pledge program budget request.

*The Climate Action Group struck by the board in the fall is planning to pilot-test a pledge program, in which volunteers would conduct outreach to community members on how to reduce GHG emissions. It's also an opportunity to connect to the community. Suggestion was made that following the event that members of the committee bring forward concrete policy areas issues that could be brought forward to the city.*

**Motion:** That the FGCA Board approve the budget request of \$395 as outlined in the committee report. **Move:** Dave, **Second:** Bryan. **Carried.**

**Action:** Following the event that members address the Board and report on the activities.

11.6.3. Pioneer Square – Letter of support for improvement to park signage.

*Friends of Pioneer square are looking for a letter of support from the FGCA Board to seek funding for park signage.*

**Motion:** That the FGCA Board authorizes Don or Vanya to sign a letter of support for Friends of Pioneer Park for improved signage in Pioneer Park. **Move:** Pat, **Second:** Bryan.

**Motion withdrawn.**

11.7. **Place and Programs Committee:** as posted

11.8. **Human Resources Committee:** no report

11.9. **VCAN:** no report

11.10. **Garden Committee:**

*Scott provided an update on the latest event of the Garden Committee.*

12. Other Reports

12.1. **Executive Director's Report:** As posted. With the following additions

- *Please post documents to the portals of PDFs*
- *Province has provided some FGCA with some basic information regarding corona virus. Basic precautionary information at this point*
- *Community Engagement event coming up March 19<sup>th</sup>. (Name?)*
- *Providing child-minding at Board and Committee meeting.*

**Motion:** That FGCA explore options to provide child-minding services at Board and CALUC meetings in the future. **Moved:** Chris, **Second:** Jen. Carried.

**Action:** Finance Committee will take be tasked with reporting back to the Board on the child minding options.

12.2. Chair's Report: No report.

13. Summary of Action Items from this meeting.

**Action:** Following the event that members address the Board and report on the activities.

**Action:** Finance Committee will take be tasked with reporting back to the Board on the child minding options.

**Motion:** To move in-camera. Move: Bryan, Second: Pat. Carried.

**Motion** to adjourn. **Move:** Chris, **Second:** Julia. Carried.

Meeting adjourned 9:05pm.

<b>ATTENDANCE</b>
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Meeting Calendar	2019		2020								
	Nov 4	Dec 2	Jan 6	Feb 3	Mar 2	Apr 6	May 4	Jun 1	Jul 6	Sep 14	Oct 5
Anna Phelan	O	-	-	-	-						
Brian Vatne	O	O	O	X	O						
Bryan Rowley	O	O	O	O	O						
Chris Reed	X	O	O	O	O						
Dave Thompson	O	O	O	O	O						
Don Monsour	O	O	O	O	X						
Jennifer Matthews	O	X	O	O	O						
Julia Warren	X	O	O	O	O						
Michael Hirsch	X	O	O	O	O						
Patricia Ward	O	O	O	O	O						
Scott Davis	O	O	X	X	O						
Lindsay Herriot	O	X	O	O	X						
<b>Staff</b>											
Vanya McDonell	O	O	O	O	O						
Kristina Wilcox	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A				
<b>Public</b>	3	0	5	2							

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