Quadra Cedar Hill Community Association

Agenda – Executive Meeting

June 24, 2014

***LOCATION CEDAR HILL REC CENTRE***

Open Meeting at: 7:00 pm

Attending: John Schmuck Art Beck

 Rikki Bowman Dodie Fraser

 Bob Trotter Karen Dearborn

 Kevin House Chris Bartlett

 Ruth emery

Regrets Susan Haddon Peter Haddon

 Lana Burns Eric Higgs

 Chris Bhopalsingh

**Traffic on Palmer Road at Cumberland**

A presentation by Joan McKay 3837 Cumberland Rd, requesting the Assn. support her request for the construction of a traffic circle at the corner of Palmer and Cumberland. Cumberland is a dead end south of this intersection and Palmer is a dead end to the east. There was a suggestion that at one point there had been a stop sign on Cumberland but it had been vandalized and never replaced. There was a general discussion. John pointed out that there had been an attempt to have a traffic circle at Union and Cumberland, a much busier intersection and it did not get support.

Motion Moved by Bob Trotter Seconded by Rikki Bowman

The QCHCA forward the request to the appropriate people in Saanich, along with our comment that we support some form or traffic calming for this intersection.

Motion carried.

John Schmuck will forward package to Mike Lai, in Saanich Engineering

**Reports**

1. Secretary – report from Art

Minutes of last executive meeting of April 22, 2014 adopted as circulated, with the notation that the correct date for Braefoot Park Music in the Park is August 19th.

1. Treasurer – report from Dodie

Dodie reported that for the current period revenues amounted to 5029.30 while expenses were 6112.27 or a shortfall of 1082.97. Funds currently available to the association are 3203.33. There is an additional 3,000 available for start up costs for music in the park. Hot dog sales have raised approximately 1,400 which covers about 60% of a newsletter distribution.

1. Membership – report from Rikki

Rikki reported that we have 186 members of whom 35 are new members. She has had a good response to her membership reminder letters.

1. Newsletter - There was a general discussion around frequency, costs and effectiveness of the delivery methods of the current newsletter. There was a consensus that the next newsletter should follow the delivery method used whereby single family homes are hand delivered and multi-family units are delivered by Canada Post. The cost for this is about 1200 for printing and 450 for Canada Post delivery.

There was also discussion around email blasts and how these will be effected by the new government anti spam rules, which require QCHCA to have actual acceptances on record before sending out emails, except for paid members who would receive this info as part of their membership benefits.

As well we should have banners in our next newsletter to direct readers to our website for the latest information.

It was decided that we should go with two newsletters a year. One in September to publicise our Sept meeting; and another in March just before our annual general meeting.

John will let Peter know that we want the next newsletter published by Sept. 1st and will leave it up to Peter to let everyone know the deadline in August for submitting articles.

1. Guest speakers for September 23rd: It was decided to invite Cory Manton – to speak re new Saanich Tree Preservation Bylaw for our September meeting.

Vic Derman will be invited to make a presentation on Natural Cities in November. Note this presentation will be made after the municipal elections.

***AREA REPORTS:***

* ***BRAEFOOT:*** Bob Trotter
* Braefoot Modular building application we have lent our support in the past.
* ***CRAIGMILLAR:*** Karen Dearborn
* 1206 Tattersall duplex re-zoning, Has passed Council so is now in the hands of the lawyers for drafting covenants

 ***REYNOLDS / QUADRA:*** Chris /Bartlett

* 3974 Cedar Hill X Rd Has passed the Design Panel with some recommendations around fencing and skylights
* ***CLOVERDALE CORE:***  Kevin House

Midtown Park - Cloverdale & Inverness – Still selling units

Glasgow/Inverness condo (Ron Otke) project could go to public hearing soon. Had a major discussion on the $30,000 amenity package and how it should be used, Cecilia Creek, Rutledge Park, or Glasgow Park. It was left that Kevin with the help from others would review the three areas and get back to us with how best to proceed.

* The Shire - Quadra/Inverness condo project on hold

Accent Inn Restaurant proposal Passed Council

* ***CEDAR HILL:*** Lana Burns (Absent)
* 3745 Ascot Subdivision
* 3724 Ascot Subdivision Had a meeting with the developer and some of the neighbours about an panhandle subdivision proposal. This proposal had not come from Saanich so it is very much in the preliminary talking stages.

***SWAN LAKE:*** Ruth Emery

* 939 Falmouth subdivision Had a meeting with the developer’s representative and the concerned neighbours. The actual developer did not show up for the meeting. The neighbours that responded are 100% opposed and they don’t see much in the way of proposed changes from a plan that has already been turned down by Saanich. QCHCA went on record as not supporting this proposal.
* 801 Darwin A rezoning only no change in the actual buildings. Capital Mental Health wanted to be able to rent to independent people in their care, as opposed to just renting to senior citizens with military backgrounds. The new tenants would all have case workers, but no 24/7 worker would be on site. Project appeared to be supported by the community.
* ***COOK/TATTERSALL*** Chris Bhophalsingh (Absent)
* Clovelly subdivision Met with developer, the projects seems to have its problems with access for the existing house. The project is still in the conceptual stage.
* ***COOK/TOLMIE***  Eric Higgs (Absent)
* Maywood subdivisionProject was turned down by Council, as there was a strong neighbourhood presence at the meeting who were all opposed to the project.
* Quadra & Tolmie Cool Aid Housing proposal - Nothing new
* ***MUSIC IN THE PARK -***  Chris Bartlett
* *2014 Committee - General discussions around parking in the surrounding business parking lots and how best to control. Volunteers still needed. Handed out posters (two sizes) for people to distribute.*

***OLD BUSINESS: & committee reports***

* **Web Site Updating** (QCHCA banner) – Kevin House

Will look into how to handle a subscription service using the the new software. Has a events calendar section, so send him your events for posting.

* **Local area Plan updates by Saanich Planning**
* **Cedar Hill new signboard**

New signboard being erected on the mid course trail (Derby Road section) we will get one half of the sign to post our events and messges.

* **Shelbourne Valley Action Plan** passed by the committee of the whole with some reservations about timing, they wanted to set completion time lines for some of the items.
* **UVIC Community Association Liaison Committee**

CARSA parkade project on schedule, expected to be complete Spring 2015

UVic transit exchange expected to be complete end of Aug 2014

* **SCAN Saanich Community Association Network**

When Mayor Leonard was asked about a Cedar Hill Park Master Plan he said it was a question of Time and Money. This is something we should advocate for with all candidates in the upcoming Municipal elections this fall.

* **Bowker Creek Initiative** -------------------

At their last meeting John had them include in their minutes that they wanted to see the remediation that was proposed for the clay courts be completed at Reach 17, basically meandering the stream. Further the creation of a Detention pond between the two bridges at Cedar Hill Rec Centre. There was discussion that some funds for this should come from both Victoria and Oak Bay as they receive the down stream benefits of better flood control during heavy rain events.

***NEW BUSINESS: & upcoming events***

* **Friends of Blenkinsop Creek** Large active group headed up by Ian Bruce. Wants to work on the daylighted section of the creek along Lochside Trail behind the Old Winery going down to Leeds Ave. Want to create a detention pond in the lower area, that is currently swamp reed grass. They are planning on having in info booth at our Playfair Picnic.
* **Hot Dog Sales at Lumberworld** – next one on Labor Day weekend ?
* **Playfair Picnic July 20th**, 2014 Call for volunteers. Braefoot to supply us their Bouncy Castle free of charge for the day.
* **BMO closure** The Cook and Quadra location is being merged with the branch at Oak and Saanich Roads They are holding an Open House at Cedar Hill Rec Centre Aug 14th from 7 – 9 pm in room Art1 to explain their move. They will have a facilitator on site for the meeting.
* **Public Participation Workshop** Saanich has finally released their report. Original meetings attended by all community assns. and Senior Saanich staff. Report is substantial and will be posted to the Saanich website once approved by Council.
* **Quadra Charette** Victoria Real Estate Board willing to contribute $7,000 to facilitate the process. Since the last one done at Quadra and McKenzie is still valid with minor tweaking it was decided we should suggest the process should be done for four corners (Quadra and Cook) instead.
* **Plan for storage of QCHCA tent** If someone wants to borrow it they get to store it until it is needed for the next event.
* **All Candidates meeting for November municipal election** It looks like the neighbouring community assns. do not want to participate, so we will be on our own. John will look into getting a date and the Garth Homer centre. He will take ownership and get back to us with dates and a call for volunteers.
* **Jim Bates Celebration of Life** A celebration of life for Jim will be held at the Horticultural Centre of the Pacific Jul 8th at 2 pm.
* **Graffiti program suggested by Brian Butterfield** If Brian wants to champion this movement he will have to come to our meeting and explain the process as no one was willing to take on any extra duties at this time. Telus agreed to put a wrap on their box at Tattersall and Quadra. (Drove past on Wed 25th and it was already done)

Meeting adjourned at 9:00 pm

***NEXT EXECUTIVE MEETING TUE-SDAY, AUGUST 26TH***