



GTCA Board Meeting Minutes – 15 September, 2022

Thursday 7:00 pm to 9:00 pm, Saanich Neighbourhood Place

Present: Paul, Mauricio, Scott, Michelle, Gabe, Reb, Phil, Chris B., Katherine, Meghan
Regrets: Ed, Vera, Chris K, Scott, Arden

1. Meetings
 - a. Agenda review – Motion to Approve -Phil/Michelle
 - b. Approval of the June Minutes – Gabe/Chris
2. Communication & Conversation
 - a. Communications – September 17 newsletter content is due.
Newsletter – there are newsletter delivery shortages. Gabe will ask for additional help in the newsletter.
3. Working Groups
 - a. Review and proposed changes
 - i. Fold Community Connections into Arts Culture and Celebration Working Group
 - ii. Buildings WG and the Mobility & Transportation WG will merge into a new Land Use WG
 - iii. Local Economy WG is now active representation from Michele and Paul.
 - iv. A new GTCA-Indigenous Collaboration WG was approved, one that -- at this point (at least) -- will consist of directors only. This group will explore possible relevant GTCA activities, including ones in collaboration with Songhees and Esquimalt nations and the Victoria Native Friendship Centre.
4. Art, Culture & Celebration Working Group
 - a. Picnic review –no report
 - b. ACC Working Group report – Music on the Gorge was a success. Music in the Park August 2 was also a great success. Large line up with the good trucks. Continue to promote block parties, while there wasn't much uptake the residents that did receive support had great success.
 - c. "Tillicum Summer Send-Off" event (17 Sept.)
 - d. Pumpkin Parade event 1 November – will need additional support and seeking composting pick up. Motion to approve up to \$1000 for the event – Reb/Chris.
 - e. Lights on the Gorge event 18 December
5. Buildings Working Group
 - a. Development updates: Saanich process continues to impede business development in the neighbour
 - i. Albina Supportive Housing project
 - ii. Tattoo / coffee shop
6. Mobility &Transportation Working Group
 - a. Working Group report
 - b. b. Tillicum and Gorge Road project updates- have been invited to meet with Saanich Engineering to discuss minor changes.
7. Natural Areas Working Group
 - a. NA Working Group report (Mural boulevard pollinator garden) – initial plan rejected, later approved after discussion with key staff.
8. Climate Change
 - a. Climate Change Working Group report – no report.
9. Food

- a. Food Resilience Working Group report – beginning consultation.

10. Other Agenda Items

- a. Membership and support for GTCA – nearly 4000 households in the neighbourhood. Should clearly articulate the benefits/incentives to membership to strategize re: membership drive.
- b. Focus of effort this year

Motion to adjourn – Michelle/Gabe