



## **GTCA Board Meeting Minutes – 12 January 2023**

### **Thursday 7:00 - 9:00 pm, Saanich Neighbourhood Place**

Present: Paul, Reb, Chris K., Chris B., Phil, Gabe, Meghan, Mauricio, Michele, Arden

Regrets: Scott, Katherine, Vera, Ed

1. Meetings
  - a. Agenda review – motion to approve Phil/Arden
  - b. Approval of the Nov. Minutes – to be done at next meeting
2. Communications
  - a. Newsletter: Content deadline Jan. 30<sup>th</sup>.
3. Finance Report
  - Some changes: received provincial money for the first time – got \$700 GST Rebate
  - Broke even for the year – Arts events under budget at \$3700
  - Much discussion re picnic
4. Working Groups
  - Art, Culture & Celebration Working Group
    - Possibility of doing a members-only BBQ/party/etc. to incentivize membership discussed
    - Hoping to do monthly open mic at VCKC; Chris K. to check on rules for liquor sales at events
    - Curb Appeal theme to be fairy doors; possible advance workshop
    - Discussion about murals: Burnside looks to be a no-go but Arden to do one last follow-up; Arden to liaise with Brenda Weatherston about Saanich's mural program
    - Reb to follow-up with Jason at Saanich re having a Music in the Park at Kosapsom Park
    - Michelle to investigate ice cream cart
    - Motion to reimburse Sandee Legh \$190 for purchase of button maker (Arden/Michelle - passed)
  - Land Use Working Group – no report
  - C&E Working Group
    - No meetings since November
    - Tree subcommittee met December 7:
      - ♦ focus on trees mitigating heat in summer; diversity is important; need to work with Saanich
      - ♦ Paul is working on mapping; focus on particular streets; possible flyer and newsletter article
    - Gorge Park cleanup slated for April 22
  - Food Resilience Working Group report – no report
5. GTCA AGM Planning
  - Phil to check with Vera about holding the meeting in March
  - Possible themes discussed; Hampton Orchestra perform
  - Need to bring clear ideas to next meeting

6. GTCA 2023 Priorities Discussion
  - Discussion re succession planning
  - Possibility of a board retreat
  - Should talk to local business owners and Saanich's economic development manager (Mitchell Edgar)
7. Storage Unit
  - Phil to check with Vera on status
8. Homeless Camp in Gorge Park – has been removed
9. Albina supportive housing
  - Latest information is for it opening its doors sometime in March.

Motion to adjourn – Gabe/Chris K.