

## Gorge Tillicum Community Association Minutes

January 5, 2012

Attendance: John Hoole, Gabe Epstein, Arden Little, Ray Farmer, Warren Ellam, Norma Dowler, Scott Karpes, Harry Lewis, Pam Loadman, Chris Kask, Rob Wickson, Karen Larabee

1. Craig Elder – would like to organize more frequent Gorge Park cleanups – will liase with Ray and Pulling Together people

2. Agenda msc John

November Minutes msc Warren

3. Reports

a. Finance \$26,604.00 total

b. Membership – 350 for 2011

c. SCAN – Fred Haynes (from Prospect Lake CA) is new President

- Vic Derman looking for support in promoting a serious discussion of Douglas Corridor at joint Saanich/Victoria council meeting –Rob to draft letter

- Scan is discussing whether to become an advocacy group, become an educational resource, to hold a workshop/visioning exercise

- discussion about inviting the new President to talk with us

d. Council – no report

e. GWI – under review –focusing on storm water

f. Healthy Saanich – focus around SCAN, supporting a visioning exercise – food security – possible Saanich Food Festival – accessibility and diversity

4. Communications

a. Newsletter – next deadline is February 15 – theme is Colquitz spill and stormwater issues - AGM date March 29<sup>th</sup>, also with a stormwater theme? – Dorothy Burrows as a guest speaker?

b. Website – Norma has put up last newsletter and will work with Chris on updating

c. Bulletin Board – discussion re third party notices – limit to local non-profit groups – Saanich Neighbourhood Place ad accepted

## 5. Transportation

a. Admirals Road/Craigflower Bridge update – lack of community consultation – going from 8.5 to 20 meters in width – going to council for approval in 2 weeks – we have until January 10 to make comments on Saanich website – Rob to draft letter re detailed concerns and Harry and Norma to draft letter with concerns about process

b. West Gorge Transportation Committee – GTCA has to sign policy papers from Paul Butterfield

c. Gorge Road work – new sewage system for next year

## 6. Parks

a. Cuthbert Holmes Park – management plan is on hold

b. Gorge Park Signs – Denis Minaker will design two signs

## 7. Stormwater/Colquitz spill –our letter should go on website

## 8. Burnside Gorge Community Association

- joint meeting on February 21 from 5:30 to 6:30 at BGCA

## 9. Looking Ahead

a. Picnic – grant application filled in

b. Community Centre – Gabe suggests waiting until the Community Tables conclude in March

## 10. Development

a. Target – concerns re pedestrian amenities

b. Cheltenham Court – new plans – Brookmans to be moved and will become a coffee shop – will present to the board at next meeting

Meeting adjourned at 9:00 p.m.