

# GTCA Board Meeting Agenda – Wednesday, September 10, 2025 Thursday 7:00 - 9:00 pm, Saanich Neighbourhood Place

Present: Phil, Vera, Mike, Paul, Chris, Mauricio, Meaghan, Reb, Arden, Jennifer, Scott, Marlon, Marie-Nicole, Nathan

Regrets: Brandon, Xi, Sandra

# 1. Meeting

- Agenda review -- Adopted
- Approval of the June Minutes Paul/Phil

## 2. Summer Wrap Up - Review of Issues & Meetings from the summer

- Tillicum Burnside Planning Process Response to GTCA Letter
  - -Phil and Vera met with Alana and Cam from Saanich planning they were disappointed in turnout and proposed having a session with the Board
- Burnside Mural Update
  - -the property owner is back and has signed off looking into media contact and, hopefully, an opening gathering upon completion
- Parks (meeting with Suzanne Samborski, Director of Parks & Recreation)
  - o Insurance –serious impact to Canada day, even vendors need insurance-also security issues
  - Murals issues with regulation
  - CAC contributions to Parks where did the money go?- \$8800 from Qu'Appelle paid in 2021 for Gorge Park - \$160,000 from Abstract/II Greco for Gorge waterway
- Saanich Children's programming at Pearkes/Colquitz Middle School several programs at Colquitz cancelled at last minute due to staffing issues
- Community speeding concerns (Cowper & Obed) 2 neighbourhood groups are driving this issue
- Camping concerns call bylaw and/or police non-emergency line
- Starbucks Patio confusion as to process Starbucks wanted to expand but were fined possibly an Island Health issue

#### 3. Canada Day Wrap-up

Brandon is taking a break – attendance approx. 15 to 18,000 –only made \$2,000 – insurance problems

## 4. Working Group Update

- Art, Culture & Celebration Working Group
  - o Music in the Park Wrap Up no washroom but biggest crowd yet
  - Pumpkin Parade need for volunteers
  - Xmas market at Tillicum School
  - Community skate at Pearkes during ice festival \$295.00
  - Trying to connect with Fairways re potential mural for next year
- Land Use Working Group
  - Burnside Planning Process discussion re having a workshop with Saanich and the board on the whole plan, no consultants and large landowner participation
  - Burnside Road (BC Hydro Project)
- 5. Upcoming Presentation to Arts, Culture and Community Wellbeing Advisory Committee (Sept. 24)

# -Vera will put something together

- Issues to address
  - o Art (Murals) & Events- hampered by regulation & insurance requirement
  - o Public places & social connection hampered by regulation
    - -access to washrooms a real problem
- 6. Board Planning Session
  - -15 responses Meaghan walked board through the responses looking to early November for session
- 7. Adjournment 8:40 Meaghan/Nathan

NOTE: October & November Meetings will be moved to Pearkes due to scheduling conflicts at SNP.