

Gorge Tillicum Community Association Minutes
April 7, 2011

Present: Chris Kask, John Hoole, Virginia Bennett, Ray Farmer, Julia Menard, Gabe Epstein, Scott Karpes, Rob Wickson, Arden Little, Katherine Brandt, Harry Lewis, Pam Loadman, Norma Dowler, Vera Wynn-Williams

1. Development proposal for Maddock/Albina corner – Joe Newell and Denise Kors
 - 3 lots – multi family project with 9 outdoor visitor parking spots and 23 inside
 - storage for 21 bikes – main entrance off Maddock – 750-950 square foot units
 - 5 two bedrooms and 1 one bedroom per floor – modular or prefab units to speed up process – 4th floor is 2 units and outdoor landscaped area – Saanich has asked them to try for silver Leeds – not sure about market costs but are looking at entry level- variance sought for balconies and height (11.5 to 14.8 metres)
 - will add sidewalk to Tillicum on south side of Maddock – have contacted immediate neighbours with info package – plug ins for scooters, etc.
2. Agenda and Minutes of March meeting adopted
3. Reports
 - a. Finance
 - i. Financial Statements -\$500 from FCAM for picnic
 - \$600 from advertisers in newsletter
 - \$1000 cost from Gowest, \$200 for Gorge Park Report
 - ii. Grants came through in May
 - iii. Donation to Japan earthquake victims
 - Motion to send \$1000 to Red Cross (Harry Lewis) – after debate the motion was denied – we may need to look at a policy on donations
 - b. Membership is 70 – mailouts in process
 - c. no reports from SCAN, Saanich Council or Healthy Saanich
4. Communications
 - a. Newsletter – May 8 Deadline – theme is traffic and transportation
 - b. Website etc. – Chris – events added to Facebook, perhaps secretary should handle this
 - Norma will help out with websute
 - c. Community Bulletin Board – ready to go – 42 x 55 – needs content
5. Transportation
 - a. Admirals Road Update – Karen believes things are moving too slowly – discussion as to whether we should draft a letter indication that we need to prioritize this and treat Admirals road as a whole
 - b. Dysart sidewalks – north side to be done this year – West Gorge Transportation Committee to look as Saanich plans

6. Gorge Park – matching grant – we received \$1000 and need to use it this year – signs are \$3000 – Harry would like to see three signs – can Saanich parks contribute financially? – should follow up with Rae Roer – should we investigate sponsorship?
 - Rae Roer has asked us to concentrate on Aaron/Curtis point on the April 30 cleanup – need to send PDF link to Gorge Park Report to attendees
7. Cuthbert Holmes Park – an environmental review of the park is coming and Rae Roer would like to meet is soon before a public meeting in the spring – Rob will send and email and interested board members can meet informally before meeting with Rae
8. GWI – mandate is changing and Rob has sent a letter to the CRD
9. Picnic – on track – 3 meetings have been held
10. Music in the Park – Terry Brennan has confirmed Rudd Park on August 23
11. Environmental Awards – Julian Anderson?
12. Development updates – Cheltenham Court folks have purchased the extra lots and Want to meet with a small group of Board members
13. AGM debrief – table until next meeting
14. GTCA Committees – table until next meeting
15. Tillicum Mall – non smoking policy adopted – Katherine to draft a letter of support
16. Next board meeting on May 5, 2011

Adjourned at 9:12 p.m.