



Board Meeting Minutes
Pearkes Recreation Centre, **7:00 P.M.**, Nov. 1st, 2012
Regrets: Gabe

Attendance: Rob Wickson, Arden Little, Ray Farmer, John Hoole, Pam Loadman, Karen Larabee, Vera Wynn-Williams, Chris Kask, Christine Fedoruk, Katherine Brandt, Scott Karpes, Julia Menard

1. Adoption of Agenda/ Oct 4, 2012 minutes
2. Reports
 - a. Finance – John feels we should be considering how to spend our “surplus”
 - Chris – our “surplus” is not designated for a specific purpose – if we did so designate it that would be an appropriation, thus lowering our equity and providing a better opportunity for grants
 - John – we should bring this to the AGM
 - b. Membership – Ray – one new corporate member bringing our total to 10
 - c. SCAN/Council – Rob – SCAN will be looking at Saanich’ Draft Strategic Plan with community engagement as a focus
 - December 1 Workshop on Traffic Safety
 - d. GWI – Rob attended and talked about the Heating Oil Spill Report
 - e. Transportation- Pam – traffic counts have been presented
 - f. UW Community Tables – (Gabe away) – flyer re Lights on Gorge to be included with newsletter
 - g. GTUF- Julia – the November meeting will be on grey water systems
 - there will be a December party at Cedar Shores and a seedy Sunday in January
3. Communications
 - a. Newsletter – Karen – final version to Fotoprint today – delivery team is in place
 - b. Website- need bios for Pam, John, Trevor and Brett
 - c. General communications protocol – need to be careful with our timing and with “what goes where” – our events feed from Facebook – we should differentiate between main events and Katherine’s list – Scott to co-ordinate
4. CARS- Rob – power point presentation at Royal Oak – Steve Wallace attended and was very supportive – default speed in the Highlands is 30 – would like to do presentations to community groups
5. Jane’s Walk Report- Rob – will send out draft to Scott, Ray, Chrisitne and Arden and hand off to Harry on his return for completion
6. Oil Tank Leaks and Liabilities, event Nov. 14th at Uvic from 7-9 – what recommendations do we want coming from this report

7. Parks

- a. Gorge Park- Sign, Ray – pad is there but no sign – 15 trees to be planted on Nov. 6, courtesy of Home Hardware
- b. Gorge Waterway Park- Feedback Re: ‘Guiding Principles’- Christine
 - need more board responses on this issue – discussion of preliminary document
 - Rob has Saanich’ plans to “join” the two parks – Katherine will work with Christine, who suggests we look at Fisherman’s Wharf

8. Additions to the Agenda: Community Engagement – Julia

- should we do another retreat? – our bylaws need to be revisited – Rob and Julia to do an inventory of what we’ve achieved – will add an agenda item for community engagement time permitting

Next Meeting Dec. 13 at Gorge Pointe Pub

Adjourned at 8:51