

CCA Meeting Minutes

Thursday, September 20, 2012

In attendance: Caleb, Yves, Clint, Lorne (Chair)

Called to order 7:07

Approve agenda: Yves/Caleb

Adopt minutes from April meeting: table til next meeting (Caleb noted minutes April/March missing. Clint will look into spring minutes & make sure we are up)

Correspondence

- Caleb noted Sustainability food fair – Saanich parking lot – circulated

President report – tabled

Treasurer – no report

Website/Social Media – no report

Membership

- Lorne looking for Newsletter memberships from Tom. From picnic, 14 new members 12 paid (2 promises to pay)

Block Watch Report – tabled

Newsletter

- Planning for early November release, October deadline for articles. Last newsletter 8 page 2500 copies Digital Direct cost \$880. Move for a 4 page as opposed to 8 page.
- Guest article: Jani Urquhart, Community Engagement, VIHA. Caleb noted that Camosun has offered the CCA a new publications display for CCA at Camosun. Normal cost is \$50 per month for box. Camosun has waived that for the CCA.
- Add running header with date.
- Clint will set up a newsletter archive page.

Land Use Report

1. 1535 Oak Crest. Letter to council was sent and the proposal went to Saanich Committee of the Whole for its first reading in June. A motion to have it moved to public hearing was defeated. The applicant will move forward with construction of an energy-efficient house but will no longer seek a duplex zoning for the property. The relevant minutes from the meeting can be found here ([June 18 minutes](#)), pages 7-15.
2. Camosun College antenna proposal. The final decision to approve of the cell tower actually lies in the jurisdiction of the federal government, but it is customary for antenna permits to go through the municipal level first. Many neighbouring residents are opposed to the antenna and there are fears of increased electromagnetic radiation. The potential health risks of such non-ionizing radiation seems to be inconclusive but Industry Canada has indicated that municipal concerns related to potential health risks will not be deemed relevant when considering the antenna permit. A CCA initiated survey of surrounding residents would be useful for Saanich Council to consider, but their recommendation to Industry Canada may hold no weight if the feedback is based in concerns with electromagnetic radiation. Following board approval, the CCA will conduct a community survey with printing costs covered by Camosun College.
3. Hillside Liquor Store. A rezoning application for the house behind the liquor store (1664 North Dairy, at Kingsley) was filed in July. The proposal is nearly identical to the proposal shown last November. Saanich planning sympathetic to CCA desire to get community survey sent out. Caleb circulated draft survey with changes suggested from email discussion. The liquor store owners will cover the cost of printing, and Caleb & volunteers will be delivering to 200 homes September 24th (depending on printing).
4. Newton Street subdivision. CCA sent no objections. Now moving forward to public hearing with Saanich.
5. UVic. CARSA project was approved by Saanich council. CCA will be involved as a community partner in UVic's 50th anniversary festival on September 20th.
6. Shelbourne Valley. Caleb reported the CCA had table at the September 9th Friends of Shelbourne Valley event. Good turnout, engaging speaker. A 5 course meal and beer pairing fundraiser will be held at Brannigans for the Visioning Shelbourne Valley event. The Shelbourne Valley Action Plan land use report will be presented at a stakeholder's committee meeting on October 29th.

Camosun Report

- Yves contacted external rep of CCSS who is not interested in participating in the CCA. Caleb noted that the relationship with Camosun is stronger than ever even without the CCSS.

Environment report – no report

SCAN report

- Yves reported on Sept 3 SCAN meeting.

Caleb motioned to accept reports. Second Yves

New Business

- Saanich GMO forum. Municipality hosting a GMO forum. Yves will attend and noted municipality does not have authority to ban GMO's in municipality – GMO are federal jurisdiction. But will report on recent developments of the dangers of GMO's.
- Traffic calming – Rick Sprigg approached CCA about traffic calming on Taylor. General discussion about how best to approach this. Other CA's expressing similar concerns. Perhaps some room for collaboration with other community associations. Meeting with neighbours, contacting Vicki Saunders also discussed. Perhaps tie this into the AGM.
- Graffiti blitz – Tim mentioned he has supplies & suggested that we do a graffiti blitz around neighbourhood. Clint and Lorne expressed interest in doing a graffiti blitz cleanup. Lorne will contact Tim to coordinate.
- Picnic Summary – Location - Richmond School Playground
Attendance - about 125 including Ida Chong (MLA), Vicki Sanders (Saanich Councillor), Shellie Gudgeon (Victoria Councillor)
New/Renewed Memberships – 12
Cooperation with RJNA

Highlights

- hotdog/hamburger BBQ (chips & drinks)
- popsicles (donated by Hillside Liquor Store)
- fish making at craft table
- face painting
- watershed model
- pennant making by Soren Henrich
- Shelbourne Walkability display
- live music by Laila
- Sponsorships by Thrifty Foods (\$300), Coast Capital (\$300), Hillside Liquor Store (\$250), SLEEP clinic (\$150), FOBC (\$100)
- Net cost \$685.45
- AGM Planning Third week January. Local churches. Clint to approach Pacific Alliance, Lorne to approach Knox. Looking for speaker suggestions.
- Notice board at Allenby – Lorne noticed it is rusted shut. Will talk to Tom to see if he can fix.

Adjourned 8:18 Yves motioned, Lorne seconded.

Next meeting October 11, 2012