Camosun Community Association Board Meeting October 10th, 2013 – Royal Jubilee Hospital, Patient Care Centre, room S150

Action items in bold

In attendance: Michael Crowe, Tom Celuszak, Andrea Gleichauf, Ian Graeme, Caleb Horn, Lorne Neil

Call to order: 7:20pm

Adoption of agenda (M/S/C) Adoption of September minutes (M/S/C)

Treasurer's Report

• \$90 dollars added from membership fees.

Membership Report

- Nine new members, up to about 50 for the year.
- Lorne to distribute contact info of potential volunteers before next newsletter.

Newsletter Report

- Caleb pursuing options for stories from long time community members. RPKM (UVic) looking for interested students to record oral histories. Caleb to write a call to residents with an interest in sharing stories for the next newsletter.
- Sheila Colwill will be submitting an article about the history of her 100 year house on Woodley.
- November 1st deadline for articles. In addition to the oral history and Colwill articles, newsletter will include an AGM notice, a call for new board members, land use updates, traffic updates including Lansdowne improvements, Shelbourne Valley survey notice, Shelbourne Community Kitchen update, Local Area Plan review, and possibly Cedar Hill Clay Courts. All members to consider other options for newsletter articles.

Social Media / Website Report

- Events calendar on the website is now operational.
- Facebook and website being used, but no activity on twitter. Caleb to provide login info to Michael who will look at possibility of using CCA twitter.

Land Use Report

- 3226 Doncaster Drive duplex rezoning. Only 3 surveys returned: 1 in favour, 1 opposed, 1 neutral. Not enough feedback to take a position. Caleb to summarize results for Saanich.
- Shelbourne Valley Action Plan (SVAP).
 - Open houses for public to provide feedback on the first draft scheduled for later this month and November (see Upcoming Events, below). Caleb has requested 20 posters from Saanich Planning. Caleb and Andrea to distribute these posters around the CCA.
 - Plan highlights includes a short-term strategy for Shelbourne Street improvements that is not development-dependent. A long-term 'ultimate plan' will require private development along the corridor. Short-term plan includes bicycle lanes along Shelbourne in the CCA section and an implementation of the ultimate plan next to Browning Park. Ultimate plan

- will include buffered sidewalks and grade-separated cycle tracks.
- 3-lane option for Shelbourne Street not included in draft plan, was not recommended in the transportation consultant's report.
- Land Use section recommends 4-storey apartments and limited mixed-use along Shelbourne through the CCA section (North Dairy to Derby).

Environment Report

• Andrea was unable to attend last Bowker Creek Initiative meeting.

SCAN Report

• Caleb was unable to attend October meeting and will not be able to make November meeting either. Caleb was acting as Yves' alternate SCAN liaison. No alternate exists now.

Acceptance of all reports (M/S/C)

Old Business:

- Shelbourne Local Area Plan (LAP) review. Discussion of updating Saanich LAPs following adoption of the 2008 Official Community Plan (OCP). Discussion focused on the Panhandle. CCA priorities in a Shelbourne LAP update would include:
 - Protection of greenspace in the Panhandle including BC Hydro Lands, Bishop of Victoria Lands, and Richmond School. Policy 7.2 in current LAP references acquiring the former two properties. Caleb received indication from Saanich's Manager of Community Planning that targeting specific properties no longer a Saanich strategy. Ian suggested that this only applied to private residential properties and that recognition of these important greenspace properties should be priority in LAP update.
 - On-street parking following the legalization of secondary suites.
 - Traffic cutting through between Richmond and Foul Bay.
 - Pedestrian environment along Dean and connections with neighbouring commercial areas.
 - References to and incorporation of policies from newer plans such as the Bowker Creek
 100-year Blueprint, Royal Jubilee Hospital Master Campus Plan, CRD Master Cycling Plan,
 Saanich Centennial Trails Plan, and Regional Growth Strategy.

Discussion on prioritizing the Shelbourne LAP in the context of other Saanich Local Areas:

- Shelbourne LAP second-oldest in Saanich and its policies are usually superseded by the more recent OCP at Saanich.
- Following adoption of the SVAP, danger that the rest of the CCA which forms the bulk of our community – could be neglected.
- Shifting external pressures in the Panhandle due to location between Victoria, Oak Bay, and the Royal Jubilee Hospital.
- Importance of recognizing Bowker Creek as it flows through unprotected greenspaces.

Caleb to relay these priorities to Planning during discussions of LAP updates.

• Richmond School. Currently hosting Quadra Elementary during seismic upgrades. Next year could be George Jay or Cloverdale. Still no long-term commitment to keep as public lands. Andrea brought up Saanich right-of-way secured along Bowker Creek. Andrea to locate any formal documentation of this right-of-way. Ian to review Saanich's Centennial Trails Plan for info regarding trails along Bowker Creek. Discussion on keeping the property on the CCA's radar before any threat of development comes up.

- Shelbourne Community Kitchen. Part-time employee recommended by hiring committee.

 Interest in house on Shelbourne near Mortimer as possible location. Good space and low rent. Difficulty lies in securing Temporary Use Permit to operate kitchen on residential property. Fundraiser later this month (see Upcoming events, below)
- January AGM.
 - Caleb to step down as Acting President as he will be unavailable on Thursdays starting in January and will likely be moving out of the neighbourhood in April.
 - AGM date moved to January 21st.
 - Michael to write a plea for new board members in newsletter.
 - Tom to design poster.
 - Andrea to secure location at Lansdowne School bandroom. Will aslo contact Saanich News for a short article advertising AGM.
 - Oboth Saanich Planning and the Saanich new garbage program coordinators would be interested in presenting at the AGM. Caleb to confirm with the garbage coordinators about presenting at the AGM. Caleb to ask Saanich Councillor Dean Murdock if he would present on civic engagement as well. Caleb suggested that the Saanich Planning presentation might be more appropriate at a board meeting or a joint meeting with the Mount Tolmie Community Association (MTCA).
 - All members to encourage neighbours and others to join CCA.

New Business:

• Letter from Mount Tolmie resident. Resident declined an invitation to join the CCA due to improper consultation regarding new Mount Tolmie parking lot. Andrea mentioned that the CCA was not involved in the new parking lot discussions. Michael to draft response encouraging this resident to become involved in the CCA to ensure no future lack of consultation occurs regarding Mount Tolmie.

Upcoming Events

- October 26th fundraising dinner for the Shelbourne Community Kitchen at Lutheran Church of the Cross, 5:30pm. Tickets available by calling 250 477 6222, M-F 9am-2pm
- Shelbourne Valley Action Plan open houses:

October 29th, 4-8:30pm, Cedar Hill Golf Club

November 2nd, 2-6pm, Gordon Head Rec Centre

November 4th, 5:30-8:30pm, St. Aidan's United Church

November 6th, 3-8pm, Lutheran Church of the Cross

 November 16th civic engagement workshop co-hosted by Saanich Community Association Network, Healthy Saanich Advisory Committee, and Saanich Civic League, Garth Homer Centre, 9am-1pm

Next meeting:

• November 14th, 7pm, Royal Jubilee Hospital, PCC Learning Centre S150.

Adjournment: 9:00pm