

SANDY HOOK COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION

Board Meeting Minutes

Approved March 7, 2011

Monday, February 7, 2011, at Ivana Cappelletto's house, 7:00 PM

Chair: Kirk Exner Minutes: Gene Scanlan Guests: None

Board Members Present: Kirk Exner, Harold Fletcher, Valerie Nash, Mike Hertz, Ivana Cappelletto, Peter Harvey, Gene Scanlan, Melanie Vallieres, and Gray Waddell.

Board Members Absent: Anne Hutchinson, Rupert Clark

1. Called to Order: 7:07 PM
2. Agenda was adopted with the addition of item #6: Boat launch status and plans.
Moved by Mike, seconded by Harold.
3. Adoption of Minutes of previous three meetings. Moved by Peter, seconded by Gene.
4. Officers' Reports
 - A. President's Report: 1. Kirk reported that, in response to a budget-related request from the District, a letter had been sent on behalf of the SHCA, after Board review of drafts. Areas covered in the letter included drainage and water pressure issues, Sandy Hook parks, and development of Park Road as a path to the beach. Peter pointed out some residents may fight any changes to Park Road. 2. Kirk also reported Lynne Forrest had contacted Kirk to send information on issues related to Target Marine, but he only received 5 emails. Kirk will forward any information received to the Board, and Board approval will be required for any action (see also the Vice President's report). 3. Kirk also reported that the Hidden Grove Committee has applied for grants, including a Grant-in-Aid from the District and application for Provincial funding a trail for the disabled. There was general discussion and consensus of the need for the SHCA Board to establish a process for such requests and to give approval prior to application as well as account for and monitor expenditures for any such grants.
 - B. Vice-President's Report: Gray reported on his attendance at 2 Committee of the Whole meetings, 2 Council meetings, a meeting of the Cultural Complex Task Force, and a meeting on Biosolids Processing Options. 1. He reported that the Planning Committee function has been separated from the Committee of the Whole and will now meet separately (first meeting now scheduled for February 22). 2. He also reported on the continuing controversy over Target Marine's requests for Amendment of the Community Plan and for rezoning so it can carry out on-site fish processing. The February 2 Council meeting was heavily attended by supporters of Target Marine, and Council proposed a meeting be set between opponents and Target Marine to establish a mutually acceptable solution prior to the next Council meeting in 2 weeks. There was general discussion by Board members of this issue, community support, zoning changes, working with the G-8, and possible further development of the site as well as possible next steps by the SHCA Board – no decision was reached

on action. 3. The meeting to discuss the Cultural Complex proposed for Sechelt shows the plans (which would include a new library, arts center, auditorium, etc.) are very ambitious (projected costs of over \$50 million). 4. The Biosolids Processing Options meeting included discussion of a trip to Washington State by the Mayor, some Council members, and Ken Tang, Chief Engineer to visit 3 processing plants using the latest technology. It appears that present plans can be supported by the budget and grants are probably not available for a new plant.

C. Secretary's Report: 1. Peter reported that the District of Sechelt has a new web site with a public documents library. 2. (originally Agenda Item 5) Valerie reported on the results of the Meet and Greet and membership renewal effort with 35 paid 2011 members and an additional 4 who have signed up but need to pay. Some Board members have not yet renewed. She also reported that over 35 people had attended, and that the +/- \$150 costs for beverages would be contributed by Peter and Valerie. Recommendations for future Meet and Greets included pot luck to save costs, as well as developing a yearly calendar for all SHCA events. 3. After discussion of the Community Interest Survey, it was agreed that the Surveys will be delivered by hand to residents of Sandy Hook – Kirk will deliver to Lower Sandy Hook and Peter/Val will organize delivery to Upper Sandy Hook. Return postage will not be provided. 4. Peter and Gene agreed to discussion of Gene's assuming the Secretary position.

D. Treasurer's Report. Harold reported he had deposited \$290 in dues and had received an additional \$20 in dues. Meet and Greet bills were +/- \$150 with \$145.33 spent from the Meet and Greet budget. Peter suggested a goal of 80 members for 2011 and the 2011 budget (originally Agenda item 7) was reviewed. The budget projects \$800 in receipts including \$150 for Meet & Greet, \$120 for the AGM, \$240 towards Hidden Grove, \$25 B.C. Registrar, \$75 for Summer Picnic, \$50 Office and \$140 Slush Fund (Surplus). Gene pointed out that any grants for Hidden Grove should be treated as restricted funds. Gray pointed out that Hidden Grove will need additional funds from time to time. Ivana mentioned that Capilano College has a trail building group that might be used by the Hidden Grove Committee. Gene also mentioned that Hidden Grove use is now being monitored.

5. Urban Forest Plan: Peter discussed the Plan (web link sent previously to Board members) and the issue for many in Sandy Hook of restrictions on tree cutting versus maintaining views of the Inlet. Bylaws 4.3.0 and 4.8.4 outline restrictions on tree cutting and pruning, needed permits. Gene raised the issue of heavy tree coverage versus forest fire danger, and there was discussion of the legal aspects of trees falling on adjacent property and causing damage. Peter agreed to draft a letter to the District on our concerns.
6. Boat Launch and Storage: Peter said that the area needs a purge and cleanup. There are 5 – 6 people on the waiting list. The Parks Department would do a post-Labor Day cleanup, and unclaimed boats will be taken by the District. Kirk suggested the SHCA set up a process. Board members discussed possible charges. Peter will look into a system and talk to the District about the boat launch area.

The meeting adjourned at 9:00 PM.

Next meeting: Monday, March 7th, 2010 at 7 pm at Harold's house 5937 Skookumchuk Road.