

SANDY HOOK COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION

Board Meeting Minutes

Monday, June 27, 2011, at Harold Fletcher's home 7:00 PM

Chair: Kirk Exner Minutes: Gene Scanlan Guests: None

Board Members Present: Kirk Exner, Peter Harvey, Valerie Nash, Gray Waddell, Harold Fletcher, Gene Scanlan, Michael Hertz, Rupert Clark, Melanie Vallieres

Board Members Absent: None (see below item 8 re Anne Hutchinson)

Called to Order: 7:08 PM

1. Agenda was approved with the additions of Coast Ride and an item for discussion of the meeting process: moved by Peter, seconded by Mike.
2. The minutes of the June 2, 2011 meeting were approved with no changes, moved by Peter, seconded by Harold.
3. Officers' Reports
 - A. President's Report: 1. The AGM was not well attended. However, our speaker on emergency preparation, Bill Elsner, provided considerable useful information and encouraged Sandy Hook residents to work together to plan for possible disasters. This topic was rated most important in the community survey. Bob Darcy reported on The Sechelt Groves Society progress and said that The Society is getting good support and funding. The AGM budget was \$120 and any related rental bills should be given to Harold. 2. Kirk also raised the issue of what kind of a board do we want to become? We need to have a vision and focus, keep to what we are supposed to do, and plan for next year. 3. The issue of Board vacancies was discussed, including the issue of recruiting Board members after we have defined our mandate versus recruiting Board members before this is done. Peter raised the name of a potential Board member; some Board member prospects were discussed, and the Board decided that any recruitment for new members would take place after the summer. 4. The Sandy Hook Day picnic/Lower Sandy Hook pig roast will be held on August 30 starting at 3:00 PM in the boat launch area park.
 - B. Vice-President's Report: 1. Gray reported he would have details on any meetings for the next SHCA Board meeting. He deferred to Rupert, who reported on his attendance at the OCP meeting. About 60 – 70 people were there to support Target Marin's request for a redefinition of their zoning. There were only 6 speakers and Justine Henry took issue with the wording of the OCP. The SHCA Board also discussed the no-confidence vote for Counsellor Keith Thirkell's membership on the

Sunshine Coast Regional Board, and apparent friction on the District Council. Peter also reported on his attendance at the SCRD meeting on leg-hold traps.

C. Secretary's Report: 1. Gene reported there are now 67 paid members, with two additional people disputing the lack of a payment record for them.

D. Treasurer's Report: Harold presented the financial statement for the period ending June 27, 2011 and indicated that the bank balance was \$3,557.67. He is awaiting the AGM expenses. He also said that current check signing authority is Kirk, Gray, Peter, and himself.

4. Board accomplishments, roles, and areas for future work: There was a general discussion of the goals and purposes of the SHCA Board. Areas discussed include; what is our voice as a Board, what is important to us, establishing the garage sale as a new tradition, using it for fundraising, rethinking how we do it, and holding it the last week of May; moving the date for the AGM and combining it with the picnic/party; emergency preparation as being the main focus for us during 2011 – 2012, finding a person to coordinate disaster planning for upper Sandy Hook (Lynne Nash already does this for Lower Sandy Hook) and having a Board member coordinate both people; having an article on this topic and the volunteer needs in the Newsletter; the need for an overall but open-ended disaster response plan for Sandy Hook; using this issue to recruit new Board members; and implementing the gazebo project in 2012 (\$5,000 is in the District budget for this purpose), although the location may be an issue for some.
5. Elections: Elections for Board officers were held, with the following results: Board President - Kirk Exner; Board Vice-President – Gray Waddell; Board Secretary: Gene Scanlan; Board Treasurer: Harold Fletcher. Peter Harvey was designated to continue to sign checks along with the officers. Kirk said that Anne Hutchinson had resigned from the Board.
6. By-Laws: No report.
7. Newsletter: Mike reported that the upcoming newsletter will cover Sandy Hook Day, the AGM, and emergency preparation; the garbage and bear issue may also be covered. Ivanna will continue to provide technical support for the newsletter.
8. Dock issues: Rupert proposed writing a letter to Manny Machado at the District regarding illegal docks, including one specifically which may be under construction without a permit. Discussion included: should this be a letter from the SHCA Board, the need for Province approval and a permit, possible federal regulations related to dock construction, sending the letter to the Department of Fisheries and Oceans rather than the District, and the need to consult with the Sechelt Band. Rupert said there is a need to stop the work on this dock now. It was agreed that Rupert would call Manny at the District first to find the protocol, and then will write to the Department of Fisheries and Oceans.

9. Coast Ride: Gray said that there is no current activity. Mike said passengers are needed and we should keep it alive; it is used sometimes and the SCR D is interested in the program. Mike will get the signs from Gray and the posts will be given to Kirk.
10. Next meeting: It was agreed that no Board meeting will be held in July or August, with the first full Board meeting scheduled for Monday, September 12 due to the Labour Day holiday; the location will be set later. An events planning meeting for Sandy Hook Day was set for July 18 at 7:00 PM at Kirk's home.

The meeting adjourned at 8:33 PM.