

# Sandy Hook Community Association

## Annual General Meeting

Wednesday, June 7, 2000

At Greencourt Hall

1. Call to Order

Meeting was called to order by the chair, President Gray Waddell, at 7:12pm  
His introductory statement is attached.

2. Presentation

Bob Stubbings, the Sunshine Coast Emergency Coordinator, was introduced by Sandra Sharkey. He then gave his presentation on Emergency Program on the Sunshine Coast which took about 20 minutes.

3. Rules of Order

At 7:34pm the chair went over the rules of order for the meeting.

4. Minutes of AGM of 1999

The secretary read out the minutes of the 1999 AGM.

Moved/Seconded by Dave Allen/Harold Fletcher that the minutes of the meeting held June 9, 1999 be approved as read and circulated. Carried.

5. Treasurer's Report

The treasurer, Barbara Scodras, gave her financial report as of December 31, 1999:

During the year 1999 we received receipts of \$1,320.58 and expended \$728.29 for a net receipts over disbursements for the year of \$591.29. As we had started off the year with cash in the bank of \$1,562.53 we now, as of December 31, 1999, had cash in the bank of \$2,154.82. No dues change was proposed for the ensuing year.

Her report was accepted by motion of the meeting.

6. Other Reports

a) Recreation Sandra Sharkey reported that we had about 90 people at the July 31, 1999 picnic and she encouraged others to come and join the fun.

b) Sandy Hook Emergency Preparedness Sandra gave her report and urged everyone to pick up a set of forms at the back of the room and complete them and send them to her at the address shown. She also asked for volunteers for the program.

7. Presidents Report

President Gray Waddell gave his oral report copy of which is attached. Some discussions on his report took place.

His report was accepted.

8. Nominating Committee Report

Julie Towle presented her nominating report.

- 4 people submitted their names for nomination to the Board;  
Dave Allen, Bob D'Arcy, Sandra Sharkey and Julie Towle
- Current board members whose terms are not up until next year are:  
Harold Fletcher and Barbara Scodras
  - 3 previous board members have completed their one term in office and are stepping down:  
Joyce FitzPatrick as past president, Robin Hume and Max Pleuss
  - Gray Waddell is stepping down as president but will remain on the board as past president.
  - This makes a total of seven board members. Our bylaws say we can have up to twelve members but other than these 7 names, no-one else has indicated a desire to be on the board. The new board may appoint other members if new candidates come forth and indicate a willingness to go onto the board.

This nominating committee report was accepted.

9. Election of Board Members

Those standing for election give a brief introduction of themselves.

He then congratulated the new board members on their election and thanked those retiring from the board for their contributions to the Sandy Hook Community Association.

10. Adjournment

Meeting adjourned at 8:30pm. Everyone was welcome to stay and enjoy the refreshments and open discussions.

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### **Introduction**

Welcome to the AGM 2000. Thank you for being interested and for making the effort to be here.

You will notice that the Agenda is pretty straight forward this year. No proposed amendments to the bylaws. We asked through the newsletter whether anyone had any agenda items to propose and we heard nothing. So, we'll be kicking off things by hearing from our guest speaker, we will go through the agenda as required by the Registrar of Societies, we'll have an open discussion and refreshments. Simple enough?

Last year we heard about Emergency Social Services from the Director, Jeff Taylor. Before that we had also spent some time discussing Emergency Preparedness. In early 1997 we took the major step of conducting a door-to-door survey of facilities and this year we'll hear more on the subject. Hopefully after hearing from Bob Stubbings tonight, we'll be motivated into getting our neighbourhood better prepared for the unthinkable.

I regret that we do not have representation from the District Council tonight. Once again it's a case of conflicting dates. They'll start to think we don't want them. Incidentally Mayor Milne will be our representative for the next six months.

Now let us get on with it.

Sandra, please be good enough to introduce our guest speaker.

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### **President's Report**

Again this year we've had difficulties holding onto elected Board Members as well as attracting new ones. Seems to be deja-vu all over again. Gino Cayer had to drop out early due to pressures on his time and availability. Both Robyn Hume and Max Pleuss were unable to attend most meetings for a variety of reasons even though we juggled meeting times to try to meet individual needs. So we ended the year with only six regular attendees.

Did we accomplish anything? Well, you be the judge.

We organized the summer picnic. Tried to promote a Christmas event but failed due to

lack of interest. Attended meetings of council, G-8, Emergency Preparedness, Planning, Public Works, and so on. Put together and delivered several newsletters. Supported and worked on trail building in the Heritage forest. Bugged the District of Sechelt to make things better for Sandy Hookers.

On this last item, you will perhaps recall the letter that was sent to the new District Administrator, Bill Brown when he arrived on the scene in December 99. It was titled "Sandy Hook Wish List" and a copy went out to all householders with the December newsletter. We didn't hear much until I started bugging for a reply when in May we were informed that Coracle Drive and Klahanie are budgeted for repairing to the tune of \$64,000 and \$30,000 respectively. I then arranged a meeting for May 25 to discuss the other outstanding items. The meeting was with Ken Tang, Director of Engineering and Gerry Grognet, Foreman of public works. The outcome was as follows:

re Para 3a) - Can't justify new signage. If we want to pay for new style signs (3@ \$75 each) they would install. We might want to ask speed watch to monitor.

re Para 3b) - not practical.

re Para 3c) - Will approach for authority.

re Para 3d) - Will check to ensure present warning indicators are in good shape. Not enough solid ground on which to build barricade. Would it be warranted based on traffic and that residents know of the danger.

re Para 4a) - bumps aren't bad enough and capital funds not available for this year. Maybe some maintenance work will be done later this year.

re Para 4c) - will write property owner. re Para 4d) Resources do not permit maintenance of beach accesses. Will respond to reports of dangerous conditions.

re Para 4e) Resources again.

re Para 4f) If we want street signs, we'll have to spell it out.

re para 5a) Picnic tables. Think they might be able to justify at least one additional table in each location.

re Para 5b) Willing to work with us. We will have to provide most of the labour. Ken will try to arrange for a survey.

re Para 5c) Ken will talk to planning.

I think that represents some progress. I certainly never expected to get everything. The new Board will just have to keep working on it.

The recent plague of vandalism was pretty upsetting to a number of Sandy Hookers. The belief that it was an inside job proved to be correct but no one was able to point a finger. It was a mere coincidence that the culprits were apprehended and are now in jail. But they won't be there long. Let's hope the landlord doesn't welcome them back when they get out.

I want to acknowledge the work done by the trail building team headed up, as usual, by Michael Davidson and assisted on regular basis by Ray , Bob D'Arcy and Malcolm McMillan.

Then there's Julie. She is leaving after a lengthy tour. She has successfully overseen the distribution of the newsletter and all that that involves: arranging for the printing; organizing people to do the deliveries; mailings to out of towners; and recently producing it. I don't know how we will get along without her.

Also many thanks to Joyce FitzPatrick. She took the heat when things got bad and has been unstinting in her support as Past President. We're going to miss you too Joyce. A lot.