

SANDY HOOK COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION**Minutes of Board of Directors Special Meeting****Saturday, July 27, 2002****Time:** 2.00 pm**Place:** 5866 Deerhorn Drive (Bob D'Arcy's home)

Present: Bob D'Arcy
David Cripps
Harold Fletcher
Pat Moore
Tom Nash
Din Ruttelynck
Sandra Sharkey
Gray Waddell
Ivor Watson

Absent: Ron Atkinson

1.0 Call to Order

President Bob D'Arcy called the meeting to order at 2.05 pm

2.0 Agenda

The agenda, prepared and issued by president Bob D'Arcy via e-mail on July 24, 2002, was read to the meeting by the president.

3.0 Business Before the Board

Two motions for the Board's consideration regarding Block 350, presented by Bob D'Arcy.

4.0 Introduction (Bob D'Arcy)

4.1 President D'Arcy read Draft Resolutions 15399 and 15400 moved and carried by Sechelt Council on July 17, 2002, as follows:

MOTION #15399:

That staff request the Sandy Hook Community Association be requested to prepare a park development concept plan for that part of District Lot 3006 to be included in an application for a Crown Grant. CARRIED

MOTION #15400:

That staff time be made available to prepare drawings and a budget estimate based on the concept plan for submission to the Provincial Government. CARRIED

4.2 President D'Arcy read letters from the following:

- Ray Parfitt, Municipal Planner, Sechelt Council, regarding the requirements for a park development concept plan for Block 350,

- Letters from the community associations of West Porpoise Bay; Davis Bay/Wilson Creek; and SHORA, offering congratulations for SHCA efforts to establish a Block 350 park.

4.3 President D'Arcy completed his 'Introduction' by informing the board of his expectation of its support for his motions.

5.0 Presentation of Motion 1 (as worded in the meeting agenda prepared and issued by Bob D'Arcy):

Motion No. 1 of July 27, 2002: (Bob D'Arcy)

Whereas the District of Sechelt has determined that the area commonly known as Block 350 shall remain as designated in the OCP as a "PARK" or, in the alternate has decided the designation of "PARK" shall apply, and

Whereas there is a requirement for the District of Sechelt to make application to appropriate senior government departments or incorporated bodies for official recognition of "Park" status, and

Whereas the District of Sechelt requires assistance to prepare the application it has therefore passed a resolution reading: "That staff request the Sandy Hook Community Association be requested to prepare a park development concept plan for that part of District Lot 3006 to be included in an application for a Crown Grant." and,

Whereas in accordance with the resolution, the District Staff have or will be approaching the Community Association for a response;

BE IT RESOLVED:

The Sandy Hook Community Association will advise the District of Sechelt that it would be pleased to call upon members of the community to form a Task Force to assist in the preparation of a park development concept plan and further, that the District may deal with that Task Force without direct referral to the Board of the Association. It is understood that The Task Force shall appoint a spokesperson to deal with the District and outside agencies and may set satisfactory terms of reference with the District for performing its task including but not limited to: reimbursement of expenses, authority, scope and professional assistance from the District or their designees. The District shall be advised of this resolution and the name of any Task Force that may be formed.

Seconded: (Harold Fletcher) with a minor amendment from that posted and reflected in the text above.

Following the motion the meeting was opened to discussion.

Discussion topics included the composition of the 'Task Force'/sub-committee, which Bob D'Arcy stated would consist of himself, Gray Waddell, Ron Atkinson, Gertrude Pacific, and Michael Davidson; the need for representation of people originally opposed to the park; the relevance of the municipal boundaries relative to Block 350; the type of park ('no football fields').

Discussion became heated and President D'Arcy closed the discussion and called for the vote.

Motion carried by majority (For: Bob D'Arcy, David Cripps, Harold Fletcher, Tom Nash, Din Ruttelynck, and Gray Waddell.

Against: Pat Moore, Sandra Sharkey, Ivor Watson)

At the conclusion of the vote the board Secretary Ivor Watson resigned his position, referring members to 1) his memo presented to the board at the March 28, 2002 board meeting expressing the opinion that the 'Hidden Grove' has no real merit as a park, and that it has been contrived by a group of fanatical 'environmentalists' determined to put a halt to the Block 350 logging project by "any and all means available".

2) his e-mail of 18 July 2002 to the president repeating those opinions, adding that the SHCA board had been manipulated into a position of supporting a park, and that he would resign his position on the board if the board decided to follow that path.

Watson said that the conduct and content of the meeting had only confirmed and reinforced these opinions. He then left the meeting. (See attachments for full text of 1) and 2) above).

The President asked Watson that he leave himself open for an approach at another time regarding his resignation. He declined at that time. The Treasurer expressed the thanks of the entire Board and the Association to Ivor for his fine services to the community and the reinforced the regret at Ivor's resignation. Ivor Watson then left the meeting.

6.0 Presentation of Motion 2 of July 27,2002: (Bob D'Arcy)

Whereas the Sandy Hook Community wishes members of the community at large to form and participate in a Task Force in respect of Motion No. 1 of July 27, 2002, and

Whereas a group known as the Hidden Grove Park Steering Committee has come forward with an interim spokesperson, Bob D'Arcy,

BE IT RESOLVED:

- a) Hidden Grove Park Steering Committee are recognized as the Steering Committee referred to in the prior motion, and;
- b) The Steering Committee will advertise its existence on the community bulletin boards and invite residents of Sandy Hook to participate in it and contribute to its goals, and;
- c) The Steering Committee shall negotiate the terms of reference with the District as required by the Board's resolution on the matter; but it is understood that the intent shall be the concept of a natural (conservation) park and non-intensive use recreation park, and;
- d) The Steering Committee shall proceed to develop the requested plan in as competent and expeditious manner as they can;
- e) The Steering Committee shall give status reports to the board of the association on the content and progress of their work on a time table to be agreed;

Seconded: (Gray Waddell) with a minor amendment from that posted and reflected in the text above.

Following the motion the meeting was opened to discussion and amendments were made and accepted, most notably the restrictions indicated in paragraph c), above. Some very positive and worthwhile discussion took place and then the vote was called for:

Motion carried unanimously.

7.0 Other Business

7.1 The Board then assessed the tone of the meeting and the discussion of the two motions. Some suitable apologies were made and accepted and everyone present agreed to "kiss and make up."

7.2 the President informally advised the group of potential developments at the District's Financial Committee and possible impacts on Sandy Hook.

8.0 The meeting was adjourned at approximately 3:45 PM