

**SANDY HOOK COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION  
BOARD MEETING Minutes 2009**

Sunday, April 5, 2009 at Gene Scanlan's

**Board Present:** Bob D'Arcy, Gray Waddell, Gene Scanlan, Sue Jackel, Mike Sutcliffe and Rupert Clark  
**Absent:** Jude Da Silva, Joan Pedlar

- 1) **Meeting called** to order at 3:05 by President Waddell
- 2) **Introduction of Guests:** None
- 3) **Agenda adopted**– with additions noted - M/C
- 4) **Adoption of Minutes:** Review/adoption of minutes of March 9, 2009– M/C
- 5) **Business Arising from minutes or unfinished business**
  - a) Gazebo – Update on costs (D'Arcy) – reported David Phillips had researched a materials cost of approximately \$1,200. Labour cost for full building would be about \$2,300 or with one supervisor and volunteers, about \$1600. Totals therefore \$3,500 or \$2,800
    - i) Agreed that SHCA would continue to pursue this by D'Arcy seeking DoS or SCPI or commercial support for free or discounted materials and report back.
  - b) OCP/Neighbourhood Plan – update – (Waddell) – Meetings and reviews are ongoing with overall OCP meeting scheduled for April 6<sup>th</sup>.
  - c) Vial of Life – update - (D'Arcy and Scanlan) – Scanlan reviewed a preliminary plan to develop this project and it was agreed:
    - i) SHCA would continue to develop the plan with the ad hoc committee that has been formed. They are to meet to review ideas to proceed and to seek out support and comment from such entities as the Fire Department, SCAF and others and report back.
  - d) Post Box area Danger and letter - lack of response.
    - i) Agreed this was important and must be followed up. Waddell will approach Post Mistress directly, in person, and seek response to D'Arcy letter and game plan.
  - e) Boat Launch update (D'Arcy) – Good news reported as all derelicts hauled away and several spots are open.
    - i) Will advise all in next newsletter
    - ii) Will post some sort of warning on each open spot to stop boats being parked without registration.
  - f) Sandy Hook road problem lot (Waddell) – Appears there is a bylaw that is applicable and therefore Waddell will review with DoS CAO Bremner at first opportunity.
  - g) Sandy Hook sign at turn off (Waddell) – No word received from Kirk Exner (he was copied with March minutes)
    - i) Agreed that we would give another month of opportunity and that a copy of these minutes would go forth as a reminder.
    - ii) If no response then will approach Norm Towlie again to refurbish current sign which was damaged by a car in the recent snow falls.
  - h) Snow Removal (Waddell) – reported on conversation with DoS and no further action required.
  - i) Capital Budget (D'Arcy) – reviewed past submissions and some new ideas came forth.
    - i) Agreed D'Arcy will do draft letter to DoS with this year's thoughts and circulate to board for approval prior to sending in.
  - j) Annual General Meeting
    - i) Date set for May 22 and Arts Centre booked for 7 PM
    - ii) Agenda – last year's updated appears in order.
    - iii) List of Directors standing – confirmed to date
      - (1) Expiring and to renew - Bob D'Arcy and Gray Waddell
      - (2) On second year - Joan Pedlar, Rupert Clarke, Mike Sutcliffe, Jude da Silva
      - (3) New for two year term – Gene Scanlan
      - (4) Peter Harvey has indicated interest and Sutcliffe will follow up.

- (5) Others needed and note need for feminine participation to balance efforts.
- iv) Guest Speaker – Dan Bouman confirmed and D’Arcy will introduce.
- v) Goodies – Waddell will approach Fran Wilson again.

**6) Correspondence – Secretary/Treasurer - (D’Arcy)**

- a) March 20 – approved SCAF letter on SCRD budget

**7) Officer Reports**

- a) **President’s Report** (Waddell) – nothing specific at this time
- b) **Treasurer’s Report** (D’Arcy)
  - i) Financials –\$1,966.54 in current account and \$2,100.19 in GICs for total of \$4,066.73
  - ii) Membership renewals for 2009 – 68 to date vs. 52 at the same time last year.

**8) Secretary’s Report** (D’Arcy) – confirmed [www.sandyhookca.com](http://www.sandyhookca.com) now active

**9) Committee Reports**

- a) Public Works – (Sutcliffe)
  - i) Reported that some trail work is needed and this will be pursued soonest.
  - ii) Also a cleanup of Sechelt Inlet Road is due and on the first nice Sunday, Waddell will call out the troops.
- b) Parks – (Clark)
  - i) Reported on some progress on difficult trail from Porpoise Drive to Sandy Hook Park. This is ongoing and will take some time more before advertising.
  - ii) Has collected a supply of forestry ribbons dating back decades from northern part of Hidden Grove and may make submission to newspaper to point out “corporate vandalism.”
  - iii) Has researched Complaint Form addressing the blockage of beach areas by docks and ramps below the high water mark. After discussion agreed that a report should be developed with photos for submission to the authorities to call for action to protect this community asset.
- c) Newsletter (D’Arcy) – must put one out prior to April 22<sup>nd</sup> to announce AGM. Noted and welcomed volunteering of Scanlan to assist in newsletter work.
- d) Council (DoS) (Waddell) – brief report given
- e) SCAF (D’Arcy) – reported on meeting of March 17 and in particular noted that a DoS/SCAF meeting is taking place on April 7<sup>th</sup>. The agenda for this was briefly reviewed and a full report would be available at the next SHCA meeting and probably online before that.
- f) CoastRide (D’Arcy) reported that East Porpoise had its first signup day and only 6 participants signed on. Nevertheless it does mean another community is involved.
  - i) Agreed that a presentation should be made to DoS soon to lobby for assistance, recognition and specifically for signage in the Village.
  - ii) Tuwanek now to be formally approached

**10) NEW Business**

- a) The problem of legal burning of slash was raised and it was reported that a delegation of residents is going to present at Council to call for control/banning of this activity.
- b) Reported that the B&B association is going before Council to seek approval to legalize three bedrooms per B&B and that a petition has been circulated supported by the Downtown Business group.

**11) Next Meeting – AGM, April 22 at Arts Centre at 7 PM**

**12) Adjournment: Moved and Carried at 4:35 PM**