

SANDY HOOK COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION
BOARD MEETING Minutes 2009
March 9, 2009 at Bob D'Arcy's

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

- 1) **Meeting called** to order at 7:04 by President Waddell
- 2) **Introduction of Guests:** Joan Pedlar introduced Kirk Exner, who has a home on Coracle Drive. Kirk will consider being a board member if his time allows. He plans on attending another meeting to further his review.
- 3) **Agenda adopted**– with additions noted - M/C
- 4) **Adoption of Minutes:**
 - a) Review/adoption of minutes of February 16, 2009– M/C
- 5) **Business Arising from minutes or unfinished business**
 - a) Gazebo – Abeyance from earlier meetings – and abeyance again since potential estimator not contacted yet.
 - b) Visioning/OCP/Neighbourhood Plan – update – (Waddell) –Noted public meeting for Neighbourhood Plan to be at the Library meeting room, March 22, 2 to 4 PM and urged all to attend. It is in the newsletter to be delivered soon. OCP is progressing well with more meetings ahead.
 - c) Vial of Life Idea – update - Jackel reported she had brought up the idea at the Senior's Network meeting where it was suggested that this might be a Provincial Health matter (?). After discussion, it was agreed:
 - i) SHCA will go ahead to investigate implementation soonest as a SHCA project
 - ii) It was agreed that non-board member would be sought to chair a committee with D'Arcy as a member to facilitate. Both Jackel and Scanlan had candidates in mind and will report soonest to get moving.
 - d) Post Box areas Danger and letter? - D'Arcy advised that he had mailed a personal letter to the PO just that day so suggested that SHCA wait until their next board meeting to see if the agreed follow-up action is needed.
- 6) **Correspondence** – Secretary/Treasurer - (D'Arcy)
 - a) February 16 – to P. Harvey re Bus shelters
 - b) March 2 – To DoS re: Secondary suites and By law Enforcement
- 7) **Officer Reports**
 - a) **President's Report** (Waddell) – nothing specific at this time
 - b) **Treasurer's Report** (D'Arcy)
 - i) Financials –\$1,907.68 in current account and \$2,100.19 in GICs for total of \$4007.87
 - ii) Moved and carried to pay annual website fee of \$10 plus see below additional for reserved name of \$10.
 - c) Membership renewals for 2009 – 59 to date vs. 45 at the same time last year.
 - d) **Secretary's Report** (D'Arcy) – new directors list handed out
- 8) **Committee Reports**
 - a) **Public Works** – none at this time
 - b) **Parks** –
 - i) In Clark's absence D'Arcy explained recent activity regarding areas adjacent to Hidden Grove and SCPI decision to not log them for at least two years. Further that we are still awaiting trail approvals from the Province.
 - c) **Newsletter** (D'Arcy) – one in distribution now and another not needed until AGM announcement.

- d) **Council (DoS)** (Waddell) – reported on 2 council meetings and one Committee of the Whole (CoWs) meeting. Of particular interest was placing of Councillor Taylor initiative on SCPI into action again.
- e) **SCAF (D'Arcy)** – reported on meeting of February 24. Minutes of the meeting are available online. SCAF/DoS meeting is to take place on April 7. Next SCAF meeting is March 17.

9) NEW Business

- a) 5933 Sandy Hook Road matter – emails from Argyle discussed and agreed that Waddell will contact him to consider supportive action by SHCA
- b) Sandy Hook sign at turn off (Waddell) – Guest Kirk Exner gave a report on some thoughts about the current sign and discussions with some suite rental owners in the community. As a result it was agreed:
 - i) Exner will prepare submission for next newsletter incorporating the idea of a new sign and seeking residents' ideas on design – like a contest. Submissions would be reviewed and the 'best' chosen. In addition residents would be asked where they would like the current sign (to be preserved) to be relocated to.
 - ii) Exner indicated that at \$50 each the rental owners had so far raised \$150 towards a new professionally made sign. Indications were that a new sign might cost about \$600 to \$800. Scanlan set a challenge that if the cost less \$200 was raised without using SHCA funds he would donate the \$200 to complete. (Sec. - must come up with better wording for this)
- c) Website name change question (D'Arcy) - it was explained that the SH site was accessed by going to the SCAF site – sechelt.net – an option was to have that and also a more descriptive direct address for access. Moved and carried that the domain name sandyhookca.com be used at the extra cost per annum of \$10.
- d) Capital Budget matter – the need for a 2009 Capital budget submission to the DoS was brought up and it was agreed that D'Arcy would research the prior submissions, circulate them to the board and then finalize a 2009 submission for Waddell to put in.
- e) Snow Removal – Agreed Sandy Hook had been very well looked after through this winter and some sort of recognition should be given to the truck operator(s). Agreed that a total of \$50 be allocated for “coffee cards” with a thank you note. Waddell to investigate who all should receive cards.
- f) Annual General Meeting – Agreed:
 - i) Waddell to book Arts Centre for best date in mid to late May and advise the board.
 - ii) List of nominees for board be set out for April newsletter inclusion
 - iii) Speaker – D'Arcy to contact Dan Bauman of SCCA to speak with focus on wildlife (bears, birds, whatever) and possibly bring along representation from Gibsons' Wildlife Refuge.
 - iv) Rest of AGM duties can be sorted out at next meeting
- g) Elphinstone email read suggesting shadow alliance of community associations to watch over and comment on SCRD budget. Agreed that in general SHCA did not feel it should participate but before confirming to Elphinstone would see what consensus at next SCAF meeting was.

10) Next Meeting – Monday, April 6th at Scanlan home at 7 PM

11) Adjournment: Moved and Carried at 8:40 PM