

MINUTES
Camosun Community Association
Zoom Video Conference
Thursday June 9, 2022 7 P.M.

Call to Order: 7:00 PM. Present: Lisa Timmons, Leigh Urquhart, , Meralin Young,.
Evan Fryer , Vernon Lord, Jamie Dopp

Approval of Agenda: Motion by Lisa seconded by Evan

Approval of May18th Minutes: Motion by Lisa, seconded by Leigh

Reports:

President: Lisa

- There is a Saanich council public forum on June 21 for the proposed rezoning to construct a market apartment building with commercial space at 1641 McRae Avenue, and 3226 Shelbourne St. The CCA executive will speak on the community feedback for this project.
- Sunday June 12, the CCA will host a Community Meet and Greet at Browning Park from 1:00 – 4:00PM. Activities will include the Bowker Creek Demonstration table, a kid’s craft table and the Pulling Together group doing invasive species removal from 3:00 – 4:00 PM. Mayor and council has been invited. No insurance required by Saanich due less than 100 expected attendees. Lisa and Vicki will bring some refreshments. Evan sent out a Mailchimp on the event to all on our mailing list. We might hire some musical entertainment or play background music ourselves.
- Saanich is updating their Active Transportation Plan in 2023. The plan was initiated in 2018 as a guide for investment in active transportation improvements for the next 30 years. Saanich is looking for the CCA feedback and has forwarded the CCA five discussion questions, with responses due by June 30. The five phase update will take 15 months and more information can be found here [Saanich Transportation](#)
- Saanich is hosting a workshop June 15 on The Strategic Community Plan Update and is asking for 2 volunteers from each association. Leigh and Vicki will attend. Saanich will be asking for early public input as the update moves forward.

Treasurer: Vernon

- Money owing to Andrea for flyers will be paid by cheque or ETransfer The donation cheque delivery to Shelbourne Community Kitchen will be addressed soon. Discussion on a new CCA sign board and or repair of at Allenby Park.. Vernon sent photos of The Allenby Park sign board to the executive for discussion of the next step in updating the sign with our Logo, and he will investigate materials required.

Land Use: Jamie

- There will be a special SCAN meeting July first week to discuss development project financing.
- Discussion over the need for a balance between density and overall neighborhood community.
- Lisa said that Abstract created a neighborhood flyer with a questionnaire on amenity contributions for the McRae project. Abstract gave some examples that might be considered. Lisa wondered if other developers are taking this approach. The CCA will not be helping with the delivery so we remain neutral.
- Jamie had a one half hour frank meeting with Mayor Haynes on May 24 to talk about development density, the environment and how neighborhoods are affected and how we need to find a balance.
- The three public hearings on one upcoming evening is somewhat unsettling and he noted that Vicki reinforced how important to constantly bring community matters forward to council and not be discouraged. Spill over parking in the neighborhood from new developments is a continued source of annoyance regardless of the assurance by developers that there will be no concerns.
- Vernon notes that one time Community Amenity Contributions can add unforeseen future liability maintenance charges and we should be cautious.
- Discussion ensued about the delay in the decision by the Minister of Education over the suspension of two SD61 trustees and the process of how transparent the land appraisal was for Lansdowne South parcel disposal. The trustee's suspension and the school land disposal final decision are seen as related and very controversial.

Communications: Evan

- Encourage everyone to like and share articles posted to the CCA Facebook page and please forward articles to him. Tom continues with quality website content posts as well.
- Evan did some professional research on the value of using our Twitter account. and the consensus was that unless our audience is switching to Twitter, we should not try to complicate our message as more admin is required , and Twitter cannot be pushed to our other accounts. The focus of the CCA communication will be to our Facebook and website perspectives, rather than adding additional social media such as Twitter.

Next Meeting: September 8
Adjournment