

MINUTES
Camosun Community Association
Zoom Video Conference
Thursday September 8, 2022 7 P.M.

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

Approval of Agenda: Motion by Vernon seconded by Meralin

Approval of the June 9 th Minutes: Motion by Lisa, seconded by Vernon

Reports:

President: Lisa

- September 19 the Urban Thrive project at Allenby and Richmond will come to council along with the planners report with a possible decision to go to a public forum. The CCA will provide a statement.
- September 27 is the Saanich all candidates meeting at Broadview Church on Arbutus Rd.
- The next meeting of the Bowker Creek Initiative is September 14 from 2-4 PM for those interested in joining. Ian Graeme has offered to mentor someone from the CCA to act as a liaison between the two groups and will volunteer that service for a year.
- Received an email from a woman who is concerned about a dirt pathway entering the Hillside mall parking lot from the sidewalk on North Dairy south near Wal-Mart. Meralin will investigate and report back to the board.
- Discussion on the AGM date. Thursday November 17 was decided and to use the Zoom format. Meralin started a discussion of changing the future AGM to the spring and the board will table for a later meeting.
- Saanich has requested feedback and comments from residents on their Strategic Official Plan update 2019-2023 [OCP update](#) by September 25. The Strategic Plan is Saanich's road map that tells us where we are going and what kind of community we hope to become. The Strategic Plan is guided by three fundamental elements adopted by Saanich Council, the Official Community Plan (OCP), mission and values. Evan will send a Mailchimp about this to our members.
- Discussion regarding the suspension of school trustees McNally and Paynter and the delay of the Supreme Court judge to make a decision on the suspension inquiry as well as the Minister of Education has not come forward for or against the SD61 land disposal.

Treasurer: Vernon

- The CCA will share one fifth of the cost of the all candidates meeting on September 27. which will be \$427 divided by the five community associations.
- Vernon asks for any remaining costs from the Community Meet and Greet to be submitted asap. Our bank balance is about \$2000 with upcoming web expenses and registry fees for our association.
- Discussion over our new community sign at Allenby Park. Vernon has canvassed the board with a new design for our heading/logo and will get costs.
- Leigh brought up the thought of recognizing the contribution of the Friends of Bowker Creek with their Bowker Creek model in the form of a cash donation. Lisa made the motion, Leigh seconded. On discussion the amount will be \$250 and the motion passed – to be announced at the AGM.

SCAN/Land use: Jamie

- Was not at the last SCAN meeting, but feels that the in person meetings are not healthy due to the small meeting room
- Lisa wants the public to be aware of the coming density and infill in the Shelbourne corridor. Jamie noted the division on council as three voted against a new local area plan because it did not allow for six story buildings. Meralin mentioned that the City of Victoria is also having community disputes on number of homes to be built on one lot (i.e. pre zone corner lots for 12 units) and the whole issue of infill is contentious.
- Lisa notes that a garden suite now requires one parking spot, whereas a new proposal for a 9 unit building on Richmond Rd is proceeding to planning with no spots – where is the consistency? Jamie expresses the need for more 3 bedroom family units for family.

CALC: Meralin

- Next meeting is September 15 but she does not feel comfortable attending if it is not a Zoom meeting. If she cannot attend, we can receive notes from the meeting.

New business:

- Jamie noted that Saanich will be making a new sidewalk on the south side of Allenby at the park – parking will be reduced.
- Leigh suggested we revisit the idea of a directory online for all the important info of the CCA in order to help present and future board members – will discuss more at the next meeting. Lisa will examine Google docs as our tool.
- Re the AGM, the date is confirmed and we will advertize- Lisa will organize and Vernon will send last year's copy to her. Lisa suggests we approach Saanich planning for a speaker and she will reach out to her.
- Leigh will represent the CCA in planning for the all candidates meeting and attending.

Next Meeting: October 13
Adjournment