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Camosun Community Association

Zoom Conference – April 13, 2023

Call to Order: 7:00 PM. Present – Lisa Timmons, Meralin Young, Leigh Urquhart, Vicki Sanders, Evan Fryer, Mike Kory,

Approval of the Agenda: Lisa motioned and Evan seconded.

Approval of February 9 minutes: Evan motioned and Mike seconded.

Reports:

President:

- Saanich invited the CCA to send a stakeholder rep to their Urban Forest Strategy workshops either on April 27 or April 28th.
- Lisa has reached out to Patrick Condon a UBC professor in the school of Architecture and Landscape Architecture. He has offered to speak for no fee via Zoom to our members and the public on “A new way of valuing housing density that could lead to truly affordable housing”. A date in early May will be selected and promoted on our social media. The talk will be co hosted by Mt Tolmie CCA. Leigh motioned to spend funds on promoting the talk. Lisa seconded and the motion passed. Evan will utilize Facebook and Mail chimp to advertise.

Communications: Evan

- Evan outlined the work he has done with Tom in setting up a shared Google Drive for archiving our documents, minutes, bylaws, membership, and more. He gave a demonstration via a shared screen and encouraged the board to use and get familiar with the drive doing searches and adding files. Succession planning is a key benefit of the Google drive.

Land Development: Vicki

- Storm water management is still a major concern for Saanich residents, in particular those living on the Mt. Tolmie slope. Unfortunately residents are being refused overland water coverage on their policies as a result of repeat claims. The board is considering asking Saanich to conduct a public presentation in the Fall at a local venue on the flooding issue. The CCA will source out contacts within Saanich.
- Update given on the meeting held with Hope Lutheran Church involving the future of the church at their present location. Vicki, Jamie and Meralin attended the meeting with the pastor.
- Discussion on the future of SD land sale at Lansdowne South.

CALC: Meralin

- New student housing building was built to Leeds Gold standard with triple window glazing and sophisticated heat recovery systems. 622 net new beds were created and a new Commons cafeteria. New food services recycling programs have been implemented.
- The Ian Stewart sports complex on Gordon Head Rd. will cease to operate as currently will be developed as new housing centre for staff and professors. This is to address the lack of supply of housing.

SCAN: Jamie

- Key note speaker was Saanich senior planner Alanna McDonagh who discussed Community Amenity Contribution update policy as well as the McKenzie corridor Plan.
- Roundtable discussion around the notion that Saanich CA's do not have a voice that is being recognized. It was agreed that the CA's need to up our communication effectiveness.

Shelbourne Community Kitchen: Vicki

- Dedication made to their kindness wall sign for those that have contributed.

Action Items:

- Sub committee consisting of Leigh, Meralin, Vicki and Pat Walker to contact Mayor Murdock on the Bowker Creek floodplain concerns and sale of SD 61 property.
- Additions and editing to our new Google Drive.
- Pat Condon Zoom presentation
- Fall meeting for storm water management – September ?

Adjournment

Next meeting is May 18 by Zoom Conference