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Camosun Community Association Board Meeting – Zoom April 11, 2024

Call to Order: 7:00 PM. **Present** – Leigh Urquhart, Meralin Young, Vicki Sanders, Jamie Dopp and Mike Kory . **Absent with regrets,** Lisa Timmons, Evan Fryer, and Angus Whitmore. .

Approval of the Agenda: Meralin moved and Jamie seconded.

Approval of March 14 minutes: Meralin moved and Jamie seconded.

Reports:

Correspondence:

- April 2- Juliana Cotacio, the Outreach lead for Murray Rankin – She asks the CCA to outline and send to her any areas of community concerns that can be brought to MLA Rankin. Some concerns we have are
- Closure of Shelbourne Medical Clinic,
 - Bill 44 development regulations and removal of municipal and public input,
 - permanently securing the Lansdowne Middle School South land parcel from development, and
 - what is reasonable density along with adequate green space.
- May 10th earliest date for Rankin office to meet Dr. Jonathan Ker re best practices for physician recruitment in our area.
- An agreement has been signed with Saanich Parks on the continued use of our Allenby Park notice board – outlining maintenance and usage policies.
- Biodiversity day September 22 (tentative) held at Lansdowne South field
- The_GHCA March newsletter was viewed as an example of what we can use in the future see here [March newsletter](#)
- Saanich Police Chief Constable Dean Duthie to meet with CCA and MTCA – May 21?
- Proposed new sidewalk project at Richmond and Mcrae along with new sidewalk on East side of Richmond – correspondence from concerned resident over Saanich’s initial design.

Treasurer: Jamie

- Account balance \$281.53. Waiting to receive community grant from Saanich for the 2023 year. The application for the 2022 year will be submitted as well.

SCAN: Jamie

- Preparing questions for Saanich CAO Brent Reems who will attend the May SCAN meeting.
- Recruiting members for Community Associations and maintaining the membership list and payments for active or inactive members.
- Events such as Music in the Park will help the CCA both financially and in membership?

CALC: Meralin

University of Victoria Community Association Liaison Committee Mtg April 4

1. University District Master Plan - update and engagement

- The university has engaged Arcadis, a Netherlands Company that does design, engineering, architecture and consultancy to manage the redevelopment of the Ian Stewart Bldg lands at Gordon Head Rd and McKenzie (the old racket club). The Company has a Vancouver office.
- Three Arcadis employees gave a presentation on the results of their community engagement which took place in Nov and Dec 2023.
- There was an on-line survey, a presentation to the Gordon Head community assoc, campus open houses for students, faculty and staff. They also collaborated with Saanich on the Quadra McKenzie workshop. Details of the results can be found at [University District](#).
- A discussion followed with suggestions about the best way to engage the broader Community:
 - flyers,
 - posters,
 - meetings at local venues (eg community centres).
- Bowker Creek (BCI) was brought up, as its headwaters are nearby across the Intersection of McKenzie and Gordon Head Rd.
- The types of amenities were discussed:
 - small grocery store,
 - day care,

- green space etc.
 - It was made clear that Uvic considers the project a money maker. They will own the Land in Trust, not the buildings.
 - Another online survey will be open April 25/24.
 - There will be a meeting at the Gordon Head Recreation Centre April 25, 4pm-7pm.
2. Construction continues
- On the Indigenous Law Bldg and the Engineering Expansion. Traffic on the Ring Rd is down to one lane at both sites.
 - Work is continuing on Bicycle infrastructure: Donview Cresc connection, cycling and pedestrian path from McGill Rd to Gordon Head/ McKenzie intersection.
3. The university is planning a Faculty of Health for 2025. It will have a clinic attached to give students supervised experience nursing, (doctors, psychologists, social workers).
- A discussion followed about the lack of an Urgent and Primary Care clinic in the Shelbourne area the nearest being at 1107 Pandora. It was agreed that if community
 - Could access the University clinic it would be well received.

New Business:

- A recent “Town hall Meeting” was attended by 250 + people. Some Topics of concern were: Bill 444 implications. - How doctors are being mandated by BC Health over what they can say and act, as well as billing and treatment issues. – Extreme Graffiti problem in the area and it is growing – Pedestrian safety on Mt. Tolmie – upcoming rally April 24 at City Hall.

Next meeting May 9, 2024

Meeting Adjourned at 8:00 PM