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Camosun Community Association
Board Meeting – Zoom Sept 12, 2024

Call to Order: 7:00 PM. **Present** – Leigh Urquhart, Meralin Young, Lisa Timmons , Vicki Sanders, Jamie Dopp, Evan Fryer, and June Whitmore .

Approval of June 18 minutes: Meralin moved and Lisa seconded.

Reports:

President:

- o Bowker Creek Biodiversity Day if September 22 at Lansdowne South. Volunteers needed to man our shared table with Mt Tolmie CA. Leigh, Lisa and Meralin will do the shifts. Motion by Lisa to donate \$125 towards 1/3 cost of the SD61 field rental. Leigh seconded and the motion was carried.
- o Cadboro Bay and Gordon Head CA's are hosting an all candidates meeting at UVic for the BC election. The date is September 24th. We will promote on our social media.
- o Leigh spoke on the details of a draft membership plan, including highlights of our past achievements and our community role. Included will be a give away to recognize new members and renewals. We will have copies available at the Biodiversity day. Deadline for the draw will be November 10.
- o The notice of our November 14 AGM will be distributed on our social media, not in the print media.
- o November 20 is the next Victoria/Saanich Citizens Assembly roundtable Zoom meeting. The Assembly will explore amalgamation's costs, benefits, and disadvantages, producing a final public report for both councils. Please see this link [Citizens Assembly](#) for more information on the process and meeting summaries. Eight meetings have been scheduled for the 48 delegates.
- o Seba Construction project at 1899 Cochrane at Dean. Local residents have a petition to save the large pine tree (named Pondy) scheduled for removal .The development application has been submitted. Lisa and Leigh will bring the issue to the attention of councillor Teale Phelps Bonderoff when they meet. The petition is also against the scale and design of the project. The board discussed Saanich's Urban Forest legislation and why this tree is not protected.
- o A Saanich community planner, Abiola Falaye reached out to the CCA, regarding having a community meeting regarding the Shelbourne Valley Action Plan

updates. We responded and the planners have confirmed to speak at our AGM on November 14.

- o Saanich has a joint Biodiversity Conservation Strategy and Urban Forest Strategy and you can read the details and public engagement here [Urban Forest Strategy](#)

Treasurer:

- o The Saanich Community Association grant for 2023 came through .

New Business:

- o Regarding Biodiversity Day, the CCA will have a display of interesting Trivia questions about our neighborhood and people can enter a free draw for a \$15 Bolen gift card

Next meeting October 10, 2024

Meeting Adjourned at 8:00 PM