

San Pareil Owners and Residents Association
ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING MINUTES
Thursday, June 12, 2025
Jensen Centre, 132 Jensen Ave. East Parksville

Barbara Lowden called the meeting to order at 7:06pm.

Thirty three members were in attendance therefore a quorum was present.

First Nations Acknowledgment: We in the San Pareil neighborhood acknowledge our presence on the unceded ancestral land of the Snaw-Naw-As (Nanoose) First Nations.

Gerald Clerx opened the meeting by giving a brief history about San Pareil. The neighbourhood was originally purchased in 1879 by John Hirst, all 160 acres were purchased for \$160.00.

The current Board Members were introduced and acknowledged for their hard work and dedication. Betty Price is retiring her position as Vice-Chair after a number years as a SPORA Board member and Board Chair, the current Board Members acknowledged her long years of service with flowers and a lovely bottle of wine.

Item #1 Gerald Clerx introduced Lehann Wallace, RDN, Area G Director.

- Lehann reviewed the Community Issues Assessment mail-out from the RDN. Further information can be found on the project website www.getinvolved.rdn.ca/eagcia.
- Lehann also advised on the Maple Lane Park planning meeting that was held in June by the RDN Parks and Open Spaces Committee (POSC). Further information can be found at: [Maple Lane Community Park | Get Involved RDN](#)
- Plummer Road/Greig Road intersection was discussed whereby the Ministry of Transportation and Transit (MOTT) is considering placing a traffic light at the intersection. No dates, as of yet, for the installation of the traffic light.

Questions from SPORA Members:

Q. Does the RDN have a plan to decrease the number of bunnies in the area? A. There is no cull planned.

Q. Where can I find more information about Property Taxes?

A. [2025-2029 Amended Financial Plan Adopted | RDN Budget Talks | Get Involved RDN](#)

Q. When will the Natures Trust of BC property be opened to the public, situated at the end of Mariner Way?

A. The property is expected to be opened to the public in late summer 2025. A reminder was given that the land is the private property of The Nature Trust of BC.

Item # 2 Erica Beauchamp, and Linda Ryan, Evan Bryn-Jones, RDN Emergency Services

An overview of community safety was presented. All residents are encouraged to download the Voyent Alert App, for information on the app visit <https://rdn.bc.ca/rdn-alerts>.

Other websites offered for emergency preparedness were www.rdn.bc.ca/getprepared

The RDN offers a free Fire Smart assessment of properties in the RDN, please e-mail firesmart@rdn.bc.ca if you want to set up an appointment.

Item #3 Graham Reid, Chair, Oceanside Community Safety Volunteers, (Oceanside CSV)

The Oceanside Community Safety Volunteers run many programs in the community including the “Kit Program” and “Keeping in Touch Program”. Further information can be found at <https://oceansidecsv.org/>.

A copy of the PowerPoint presentation can be found on the SPORA Website under AGM 2025 documents.

<https://sspora.ca/>

Item # 4 Business Portion of the AGM Meeting:

Barbara Lowden reviewed the following meeting rules:

Only paid members are eligible to vote. One vote per household.

Voting will be by a showing of a red card (yes or no).

Barbara Lowden asked for a motion to accept the 2025 SPORA AGM Agenda.

Motion by: Sue Smiley to accept the 2025 SPORA AGM Agenda.

Seconded by: Carmel Lowe

A vote was taken to accept the 2025 SPORA Agenda. All members were in favour. Motion Passed

Gerald Clerx made a motion to accept the 2024 AGM minutes.

Seconded by: Alison Haupapa

A vote was taken to accept the 2024 AGM minutes. All members were in favour. Motion Passed

A copy of the 2024 AGM minutes can be found on the SPORA Website under AGM 2025 documents.

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Treasurer’s Report:

Barbara Lowden read out the Treasurer’s Report

Barbara Lowden made a motion to accept the SPORA Financial Statement from May 1, 2024 to April 30, 2025.

Seconded by: Cody Dahl

A vote was taken to accept the SPORA Financial Statement from May 1, 2024 to April 30, 2025. All members were in favour. Motion Passed

A copy of the Treasurer’s Report can be found on the SPORA Website under AGM 2025 documents. <https://sspora.ca/>

Election of Board Members:

Barbara Lowden read the AGM Election Procedures.

The Society must have no fewer than three and no more than nine directors.

Eligible voters are entitled to vote for the election of directors using the red card.

The standing candidates of the current SPORA Directors were elected by acclamation.

- 1) Barbara Lowden
- 2) Teresa Fankhauser
- 3) Peter Staton
- 4) Amarjit Mann

The following San Pareil residents have submitted their names for nomination as a SPORA Director:

Janet Webb

Alison Haupapa

Barbara Lowden called for nominations from the floor to become a SPORA Director.

No nominations were received.

To make sure we have included all potential nominations, Barbara called three times, for nominations for SPORA Directors.

Calling Once,

Calling Twice,

Calling Thrice.

As there were are no further nominations, Barbara Lowden declared the nominations closed, and the members standing for election were elected as new Directors of the San Pareil Owners and Residents Association.

Barbara Lowden thanked Board Member's Betty Price and Gerald Clerx, who are stepping down, for their contributions throughout the previous year. Barbara also thanked all the members of the new Board for your commitment to the ongoing viability of SPORA.

Item #5 Review of the Updated SPORA Constitution and Bylaws.

Barbara Lowden called for a motion to adopt the new SPORA Constitution and Bylaws which now meet the BC Society Act's regulations.

Motion By: Gerald Clerx to adopt the new SPORA Constitution and Bylaws.

Seconded by: Sherrin Upgaard

A vote was taken to accept the new SPORA Constitution and Bylaws. All members were in favour. Motion Passed

Item #6 Gerald Clerx, Update from Natures Trust of BC.

Gerald read out an update prepared by Tom Reid, West Coast Conservation Land Manager, concerning the property at the end of Mariner Way.

A copy of the update can be found on the SPORA Website under AGM 2025 documents. <https://sspora.ca/>

Item #7 Motion to Adjourn.

Barbara asked for a motion to adjourn the 2025 SPORA AGM.

Motion By: Carmel Lowe to adjourn the 2025 SPORA AGM.

Seconded by: Betty Price

A vote was taken to adjourn the 2025 SPORA AGM. All members were in favour. Motion passed

2025 SPORA AGM Adjourned at: 8:54 pm