

SPORA BOARD MEETING

MINUTES

November 7, 2024

In attendance: Peter Staton, Teresa Fankhauser, Barbara Lowden, Jeet Mann, Gerald Clerx

With Regrets: Betty Price, Sarah Recksiedler

Guest: Glen Jamieson, Erica Beauchamp

Meeting start time 7pm.

ITEM #1 EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS:

Contact person with RDN is Erica Beauchamp , Manager, Emergency Services, 250 390-4111. The RDN is developing a plan for San Pareil and it should be available mid 2025 in the form of a booklet. Residents can also go to [PreparedBC emergency guides and resources - Province of British Columbia](#) for online plans. There is also an Alert System App for resident's phones that can be found in their cell phones app store, it is called **VOYENT ALERT**.

There is approximately \$9,000.00 in grants available through the RDN for Safety Preparedness in Communities; Peter will be looking into what we qualify to apply for.

Glen Jamieson, our Community Emergency Preparedness Coordinator is looking for new and additional volunteers to get the Community Emergency Preparedness Group up and running again. We will be positing on Facebook to search for additional volunteers.

Opening the Rath Trevor Emergency Gate was discussed, if for some reason the gate needs to be opened the RDN has requested that we call 911 and them 250 390-4111 if an emergency situation occurs when residents feel they need access to that emergency exit.

ITEM #2 TREASURERS REPORT:

Chequing account	\$ 3,938.96
Savings account	\$ 1,208.13
Total	\$ 5,147.09

ITEM #3 MAPLE LANE COMMUNITY PARK BUDGET

Discuss if SPORA supports the Maple Lane Community Park Committee having a budget. Currently the Committee is able to make money for park events by having a table available at the entrance to Maple Lane Park, during the two Community Garage Sales held annually in the spring and the early fall. All monies received through the garage sell would be placed into the Maple Lane Park Budget. Sarah will be developing a budget for discussion and approval.

ITEM #4 DOCUMENTS PLACED ONTO THE SPORA WEBSITE:

Barbara and Peter will be meeting to review all documents on the SPORA website to make sure they are up to date and accurate.

Teresa will be added as an individual that can post and remove documents as a backup.

Peter and Sarah will also be working together to move the Zoho email that is currently being used to Google email.

These tasks have been moved to February 2025.

ITEM #5 **SPORA Membership:**

Ideas to increase SPORA Membership to be presented.

This task has been moved to January SPORA meeting.

ITEM #6 **CONCERNS ABOUT THE SAFETY OF 5G IN SAN PAREIL**

Further review of the safety issues of 5G. The topic of 5G has been a hot button issue in a few of the other local areas. The Board believes offering the community some balanced information from credible sources on the concerns/benefits would be beneficial to the neighborhood. Further discussion about an information post being placed on the San Pareil Facebook page as well as a possible email out to the community was discussed to give residents information and alternative options.

ITEM #7 **SPEED WATCH:**

Barbara will be contacting the RCMP to get trained on the equipment for a speed monitoring system. San Pareil residents are encouraged to reach out if they would like to be involved in participating in the community Speed Watch program.

This task has been moved to January SPORA meeting.

ITEM #8 **NAMING PUBLIC BEACH ACCESS POINTS:**

Eight Public Beach Access points have been located in San Pareil.

Gerald will be providing ideas to rename some of the beach accesses.

This task has been moved to January SPORA meeting.

ITEM #9 **MEETING WITH OTHER COMMUNITY ASSOCIATIONS CHAIRS:**

Barbara will invite Wayne Stark to our February's meeting to hear his findings to SPORA.

Wayne Stark from the Nanoose Bay Residents Association has done an extensive review of tax increases in the Nanoose Bay area. Wayne advised that he can do a review of the cost of the San Pareil Water System and the RDN Parks in our area. It was agreed to ask Wayne Stark to do a review for information purposes on our top three areas:

School taxes, Water, and Parks.

We will invite Wayne Stark to our February's meeting to hear his findings to SPORA.

ITEM #10 **CAMPER PARKED OFF PLUMMER ROAD NEAR THE ORANGE BRIDGE**

Huge cement pylons have been installed at the beginning of Plummer Road by the Orange Bridge; some residents have complained on the look of the large cement barricades.

Apparently, this is crown land.

We will look into requesting No Overnight Parking sign.

ITEM #11 **REGISTERED LETTER:**

A registered letter dated September 30th, 2024 was received by Barbara Lowden, addressed to the SPORA Board.

A Revised Constitution to be discussed.

This task has been moved to January SPORA meeting.

ITEM #12**CHRISTMAS POT LUCK**

Christmas Pot Luck, to be held on Friday, January 3rd. The Maple Lane Park Committee has been invited to join in the festivities.

ITEM #13**TREES FALLING ACROSS PLUMMER ROAD:**

It has been noted that with the last few storms we have had quite a few trees fall across Plummer Road, limiting resident's access in and out of San Pareil and cutting power to the area. Teresa will be calling MOTI to find out who is responsible for managing the trees along Plummer Road. It has been noted that it looks like an arborist has gone in to inspect the trees and some have been marked with a blue dot. More information will be gathered and reported.

ITEM #13**NO MEETING IN DECEMBER, 2024:**

It was decided that there would be no meeting held in December. First meeting for 2025 will be Thursday, January 9th, 2025. Location to be determined.

Meeting Adjourned: 9:00 pm