SPORA BOARD MEETING

Minutes

September 18, 2025

In attendance: Barbara Lowden, Janet Webb, Teresa Fankhauser

Regrets: Jeet Mann, Allison Haupapa, Peter Staton

ITEM #1 TREASURER'S REPORT: Jeet

Chequing account \$4,497.98

Savings account \$1,209.12 (this amount is set aside for a Park Bench)

Maple Lane Park \$1,845.58
Total \$7,552.68

The recent event in Maple Lane Park cost \$400.00. We only had \$300.00 allocated to the event.

It was unanimously decided to take the \$100 deficit out of the Maple Lane Park account as those funds were raised and specifically for Maple Lane Park events.

ITEM #2 ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING REVIEW:

Date of the AGM was Thursday, June 12, 2025 at the Jensen Centre.

SPORA discussed the success of the AGM and things to improve for next years AGM.

- A working microphone is needed for those presenters that need amplification.
- Fewer presenters to allow the ones that do participate to have longer times for questions and answers from the attendees.
- A smaller venue will be considered based on the number of members expected to attend the AGM.
- A survey put out to SPORA members asking what kind of presenters they would like to see at the June 2026 AGM.

ITEM #3 SPEED WATCH:

Speed Watch will continue to hold events in the neighbourhood at least once every six weeks. Next anticipated Speed Watch event will be near the end of September. It was suggested to move to several other locations within San Pareil where higher speeds have been observed.

A Facebook post with supporting data was presented to the neighborhood to show the amount of speed along Plummer Road

Three Speed Watch events have recently taken place.

Statistics: Posted speed 50 KPH

	50 or less	51 to 60	61 to 70	7 1+
Leaving S.P	59%	29%	11%	1ea
Entering S.P.	56%	34 %	9%	4ea

The highest speed observed **entering** the San Pareil was 79 KPH The highest speed observed **leaving** San Pareil was 62 KPH

The idea of a Poll was discussed to see if the residence of San Pareil would like the SPORA Board to pursue with the Ministry of Transportation and Transit (MOTT), to reduce the speed limit from 50 KPH to 40 KPH. A large concern was delivery drivers that frequent the neighborhood.

Topic to be addressed again at the next SPORA meeting in October.

ITEM #4 ROADS IN SAN PAREIL:

Teresa and Barbara continue to review the roads in San Pareil and contact Mainland Contracting if any potholes need to be filled. Numerous calls have been made to Mainland Contracting asking for more gravel to be laid at the intersection of Plummer Road and Shorewood Drive. This area is used for parking for a number of residents and visitors to the area for walking along the trails and bird watching.

Teresa and Barbara will continue to review the beach accesses, mail box areas and access points along Plummer Road to request where more gravel is needed. It has been noted that the intersection of Terrien Way and Ballenas Rd W and Terrien and Sabine are in need of attention. A phone call and or email will be sent to Mainland Contracting about repairs before the winter weather sets in. In addition, Barbara will be calling MOTT to inquire for the third time asking for more gravel to be placed at the intersection of Plummer Road and Shorewood Drive.

ITEM #5 WHO HAS THE AUTHORITY TO OPEN THE BOLLARD TO RATHTREVOR PARK:

A meeting was held on Tuesday, September 16, with Jacquie Chan, RDN, Emergency Planning, Christine Rikley BC Parks, Glen Jamieson, San Pareil Emergency Preparedness Coordinator, Bob Busch, and Barbara. The Emergency Preparedness Team for San Pareil currently holds two keys to the bollard in front of the entrance to Rathtrevor Park. Bob Busch continues to maintain the lock to the bollard to ensure it is in good order.

After a discussion it was determined that the keys would no long be held by our Emergency Preparedness Team. The decision to open the bollard will remain between RDN Emergency Services and BC Parks.

More dialogue will take place between RDN Emergency Service, BC Parks, Ambulance, Fire and RCMP to devise a Protocol to ensure everyone is safe living in San Pareil.

After the Protocol has been approved between the above agencies, SPORA together with the RDN Emergency Services Section will hold a meeting to explain the Protocol for the residents of San Pareil.

ITEM #6 MAPLE LANE PARK UPGRADE AND FUTURE EVENTS IN THE PARK:

An event in Maple Lane Park was held on Saturday, September 13th.

Science in the Park and the RDN Emergency Preparedness Team each had a booth. The Science in the Park event cost \$400.00 however, only six children participated. The RDN Preparedness Team spoke to approximately five residents.

Due to the lack of participants for the science event, the next scheduled event will be the Easter Egg Hunt in April, 2026.

ITEM #7 POSAC MEETING (Parks and Open Space Advisory Committee) within the RDN:

POSAC will be holding a meeting on Thursday, October 16th, 2025 at 6:30 pm at the Oceanside Place Arena; these meetings are open to the public.

The future development of Maple Lane Park is on the agenda. Barbara and Janet will be in attendance.

ITEM #8 RDN TAX ALLIANCE, PETITION TO BE COMPLETED IN SAN PAREIL NEIGHBOURHOOD:

The RDN Tax Alliance will be asking all residents of the RDN to sign a Petition to be given to the RDN Board asking the Board to take immediate steps to implement a permanent cap on annual property tax increases. The RDN Alliance is in the process of preparing a number of Presentations for all RDN Residents to explain how our RDN taxes are raising dramatically and to ask for Petition Signatures.

Barbara to attend an RDN Tax Alliance meeting on October 2nd and will advise further. The SPORA Board will begin to go door to door asking for residents to support the Petition.

ITEM #8 LIST OF POSSIBLE ISSUES TO BE DISCUSSED DURING 2026:

- Update on the Plummer Road corner changes.
- Update on the San Malo First Nations green space.
- Clarification on Mariner Park: when will the park be open to the public.
- Removing alders along Plummer Road to prevent potential road closures when they fall.
- Ask ICBC to give directions on how to safely turn left from Hwy 19A to Plummer Road.

Next meeting to be held: To be determined. Location: 956 Shorewood Drive.

Meeting Adjourned: 8:30 pm