**SPORA BOARD MEETING**

**MINUTES**

**September 5, 2024**

**Members in attendance**: Betty Price, Barbara Lowden, Jeet Mann, Teresa Fankhauser, Gerald Clerx.

**With regrets**: Sarah Recksiedler, Peter Staton.

**ITEM # 1:** **TREASURERS REPORT:** **Sarah**

 Chequing account $ 3560.31

 Savings account $1207.93

 Total $4768.24

**ITEM #2:** **MAPLE LANE COMMUNITY PARK UPDATE: Barbara**

Lehann Wallace held two open houses in Maple Lane Park, July 20th and 22nd

The RDN staff will hold another open house on Saturday, September 7th.

The RDN is preparing a letter for all residents and the letter should be arriving soon.

The RDN encourages all residents to complete the second survey. The survey is open until September 13th. The link is provided below: <https://www.getinvolved.rdn.ca/maple-lane>

Please direct all comments and concerns about the Maple Lane Park Survey to the RDN and or Lehann Wallace. The SPORA board’s role in this matter is to do our best to make sure the residents in San Pereil have as much information about the park development as possible and to encourage all residents to complete the survey put forth by the RDN.

Community Fun Day set for Sunday, September 8th, 3 – 5 pm

San Pareil Wide Garage Sale, held on Saturday, August 25th.

This event was another huge success. The Community Garage sale held at the entrance to Maple Lane Park brought in $335.00. Money received from the Garage Sales will go into a Maple Lane Park Budget and will be used for Maple Lane Park activities.

**ITEM #3:** **PLUMMER ROAD AND 19A INTERSECTION UPDATE: Barbara**

Betty, Iain Donaldson and Barbara Lowden were invited to a presentation on the building of a pedestrian walkway and the intersection at Plummer Road and 19A held by MOTI. Detailed information about the meeting and the Power Point presentation given to the SPORA members will be posted on the San Pareil Facebook page, on the mail box sticks, on the SPORA website and an information e mail will be sent out to all San Pareil residents who have paid their membership dues.

**ITEM #4: UPDATE ON THE NATURE TRUST PROPERTY ON MARINER WAY, Barbara**

Shawn Lukas of Nature Trust BC will be speaking about the restoration work completed on 711 Mariner Way, September 14th 10:00 to Noon, St Edmund Church, 407 Wembley Road. This presentation will be part of the MVIHES, annual general meeting. (Mid-Vancouver Island Habitat Enhancement Society).

Shawn Lukas provided this update on what is happening at 711 Mariner Way.

“The shoreline restoration continues to be delayed with provincial permitting processes for the archaeological alterations. The archaeological branch continues to communicate regarding the process and progress is being made, we remain optimistic this will be received and work will resume shortly.

Otherwise, we’ve continued onsite with the construction of several hundred meters of split rail fencing to delineate public accessible areas. The concrete footings were recently constructed/poured and I anticipate the pavilion installed in the coming weeks. Planning for upland planting continues with orders/grow contracts for the several thousand trees, plants, shrubs and grasses required for such a large area. Currently, we’re formalizing signs and regulations in anticipation of public access. Unfortunately, no opening date can be given at this time.”

**ITEM #5:** **ROADS IN SAN PAREIL: Teresa**

The trees along the power lines in San Pareil have been getting trimmed this summer. It has come to our attention that the trees have been trimmed in order for Telus to install new fiber optic cables in the neighbourhood.

Mainland Contracting has been sent an e mail on September 25th requesting gravel to be placed at some mail boxes and to fill more potholes in the neighbourhood.

**ITEM #6:** **OTHER AGENDA ITEMS**

**Public Beach Access Spots:** Eight Public Beach Access points have been located in San Pareil. Inquiries have been sent to the RDN to see if we can re-name/update some of the names of the beach access points. Map of Access points available on the San Pareil Website.

**Telus:** Telus will be offering fiber optics in our neighborhood. Connecting the new Telus fiber optic option will be up to the individual homeowners.

**Emergency Planning:** A fireSmart presentation was offered at Maple Lane Park this summer with great reviews. We will look into making this a yearly opportunity for residents.

**Meeting Concluded at 8:30pm**

**Next meeting: Thursday, October 3rd, 7:00 pm, Barbara’s House.**