

SSPORA BOARD MEETING MINUTES

**OCTOBER 5<sup>TH</sup> 2023**

**IN ATTENDANCE:**

Barbara Lowden, Betty Price, Sarah Recksiedier, Peter Staton,  
Claire Roy (Website subcommittee member)

**REGRETS:**

Teresa Fankhauser, Jeet Mann, Gerald Clerx.

**ITEM # 1:**

**TREASURERS REPORT:** Sarah

Chequing account	\$3507.82
Savings account	<u>\$1206.83</u>
Total	\$4714.65

**ITEM #2:**

**COMMUNITY PARK REPORT,** Betty.

The RDN's community survey which will prioritize the community's vision for Maple Lane Park is expected soon.

Jordan Vander Klok the RDN's Parks Planner has accepted the plans for and given the go ahead to construct a notice board at the entrance to Maple Lane Park. The next step is to solicit material donations. We are projecting a completion date near the end of March 2024.

Sara made a short presentation outlining what the community of Bowen Island did to incorporate emergency planning literature on their community notice board. The information was well received by all the SSPORA board members present and steps will be taken to try and duplicate the information on our board.

**ITEM # 3:**

**WEBSITE UPDATE:** Peter

Barbara made the following motion:

The subcommittee struck during the Sept 7th board meeting will research a new website that will also provide us with email, storage and an e-transfer component. The subcommittee will report back to the Board during the Oct 5th meeting for direction.

Peter seconded the motion:

Motion Carried.

The Subcommittee will make their presentation tonight

Website subcommittee report:

The website was initially built by Geeks on the Beach free of charge during the early months of 2021 and was in use later in 2021. We would like to thank the staff of Geeks on the Beach for the outstanding work they did for our community. We also thank David Kerk (a former SSPORA Board Member) who was instrumental in the process of bringing the Website to fruition. Without his dedication and hours of work it is unlikely we would have this amazing website today.

Regrettably the cost to operate and maintain the website continues to rise and is now ½ our yearly income, assuming our membership remains in the 60 member range.

The website committee proposes:

- 1 Experienced members of the website committee will oversee the operation of the existing website.
- 2 Discontinue the maintenance package with Geeks on the Beach. We will maintain our own website.
- 3 Discontinue the ZoHo mail package. In its place a Gmail account will be setup for messaging and e-transfers.
- 4 In the future if a change of name for SSPORA comes about, the appropriate website changes can be made at that time.
- 5 The use of e-transfer for membership fees will continue but the use of credit card payment will be discontinued.

Peter made the following motion:

**We accept the above report and set in motion the recommendations made by the website subcommittee.**

Betty seconded the motion.

The motion was carried unanimously.

**ITEM # 4:**

**PLUMMER ROAD AND 19A INTERSECTION:** Jeet, Betty

Betty contacted Lehann Wallace regarding the lack of progress at the Plummer Road and 19A intersection.

A letter writing campaign or a petition from community members to the Ministry of Transportation and Infrastructure is an option that could speed the process. All Board members in attendance

