

SSPORA BOARD MEETING MINUTES

DECEMBER 7thTH 2023, 7:00 pm

IN ATTENDANCE

Betty Price, Barbara Lowden, Teresa Fankhauser, Gerald Clerx, Peter Staton

WITH REGRETS

Sarah Recksiedler, Jeet Mann

ITEM # 1:

TREASURERS REPORT: Sarah

Chequing account	\$3490.47
Savings account	\$1207.03
Total	\$4697.50

ITEM #2:

COMMUNITY PARK REPORT: Betty:

The RDN has received 40 responses from the residents of the community for the Maple Lane Park Survey. The response was considered good for a community this size.

Board members were of the opinion the survey could have been made easier to access.

Use of an American company during the survey process was also questioned.

Making use of a paper copy for the survey would have been more convenient for some member of the community.

ITEM # 3:

WEBSITE UPDATE: Peter

The website maintenance package administered by Geeks on The Beach has been discontinued.

The Board approved paying an invoice recieved from Hosting Nation for the website domain name for 2024 in the amount of \$30.69.

Hosting Nation will also continue as the host for the SSPORA website through 2024.

ITEM # 4:

PLUMMER ROAD AND 19A INTERSECTION: Jeet, Betty

The draft copy of The Plummer Road and 19A intersection petition was thought to be too weak in some of its wording. For

this reason Barbara will submit a revised copy to Lehann Wallace for approval.

Once the petition is finalized Board Members will canvas the community gathering signatures for the petition.

A table with a petition in a tupperware box can be accessed at the following addresses for the convenience of those residents that are not at home during the canvassing days:

956 Shorewood, 1041 Forgotten, 845 San Malo

An information bulletin explaining the petition and encouraging residents to sign will be posted on the community face book page, the SSPORA website and at each mailbox in the community.

The petition must be submitted to Lehann Wallace by Jan 15 2023.

ITEM #6:

BLOCK WATCH: Gerald

After much discussion it was decided the creation of a community Block Watch program was not warranted at this time.

If members of the community would like more information on the Block Watch program please contact the following email address:

blockwatch@oceansidecsv.org

ITEM #7:

REPAVING STREETS: Teresa

Cindy Horner, a liaison with the Ministry of Transportation and Infrastructure will be contacted to determine the process we must follow in order to have our roads repaved.

ITEM # 8:

CAMERON PROPERTY UPDATE: Gerald

The following information was received from Tom Reid's office, on the Wilson Nature Park Project:

- 1) The excavation team will be back on site mid January to remove the remaining concrete blocks along the river.
- 2) In March they will begin building a gazebo, adding picnic tables and constructing a trail system along with adding vegetation to the property.
- 3) They project the property will be open to the public in summer 2024.

This information will be posted on the website and the face book page.

ITEM # 9:

BEAR PROOF GREEN BINS: Gerald

Bear-resistant carts are available for purchase for RDN-serviced residents who live in bear frequented areas and are unable to keep their carts secured. Bear-resistant carts are only a last line of defense to protect bears: Under the **BC Wildlife Act**, the public is legally responsible to secure waste and other attractants away from dangerous wildlife.

If you are interested in purchasing a bear-resistant cart, please contact us at curbside@rdn.ca or call 250-390-6501.

ITEM # 10:

OTHER TOPICS:

Due to the number of trees falling across Plummer Road this fall BC Hydro will be contacted in an effort to have them remove or trim dangerous trees that pose a threat to people the road and the hydro lines.

The SSPORA Maple Lane Park subcommittee applied for and was granted a \$400.00 grant from the Parksville Qualicum Community Small Grant Foundation. Funds will be used to buy materials to build a notice board at the entrance to Maple Lane Park.

MEETING ADJORNED AT:

8:30

NEXT MEETING:

THURSDAY, JANUARY 4TH, 2024

AT TERESA'S HOME