

For Approval

Victoria West Community Association

Board Meeting Minutes

January 26, 2010

Present: Board members Jo-Ann Youmans (Chair) Mike Medland, Audrey Whittall, Diane Carr, Grant Keddie, Michael Hawkins, Nan Judd, Patti Parkhouse, Megan Parrish and City of Victoria Councillor John Luxton

Regrets: Jody Watson, Bernie Gaudet, Louise Wood, Carolyn Morris (present for community imaging brainstorming session.)

Meeting called to order at 7:00 pm.

1. Approval of minutes October 26, 2009:

Moved by Mike Medland and seconded by Nan Judd to approve the minutes.

Carried

2. Approval of agenda:

Moved by Diane Carr and seconded by Mike Medland to approve the agenda as circulated.

Carried

3. Treasurer's Report.

Proposed budget presented by the Treasurer with amendment to remove the Business License line item.

Moved by Mike Medland and seconded by Diane Carr to approve the budget as amended subject to amendments throughout the year as approved by the board .

Carried

4. Engagement Strategy

- Concern expressed about lack of inclusion of and consultation with the Victoria City community associations as stakeholders in the process.
- Comment that the process seemed to be a call for support of people—the vocal minority who were already engaged—rather than seeking out the silent minority who are not already engaged.

In response to the Engagement Strategy, Jo-Ann will write a letter on behalf of the Association to the City expressing concerns about the Engagement Strategy.

5. *President's report:*

- New members: The following were approved for membership: Barbara Watson, Syeed Din, Anne Kalych, and Brandi Allen
- Victoria West Art Quest

Moved by Jo-Ann Youmans and seconded by tPatte Parkhouse to support VWAQ's request for \$250 funding for 2010 with consideration to extend the commitment to \$400 pending the Association's decision to assume responsibility for the Y building. Carried

6. *Land Use*

Moved by Audrey Whittal and seconded by Grant Keddie to ratify the list of Land Use Committee members for 2010, as presented by Jo-Ann on behalf of Bernie Gaudet, Committee Chair for 2010. Carried

7. *Biosolid Facility Proposal*

Moved by Diane Carr and seconded by Grant Keddie that the Association co-sponsor with the Burnside Gorge Community Association a community meeting regarding the proposed biosolids facility. Carried

8. *Dockside Green*

Moved by Mike Medland and seconded by Diane Carr that the Association write to the new developers of Dockside Green encouraging them to continue to work with the community in the development of the next phases of Dockside Green. Carried

9. *Report from City Hall—John Luxton*

- Since the successful campaign, the replacement of the Johnson Street Bridge is on hold, as are the changes to the Esquimalt Road approaches to the bridge.
- Progress on the Esquimalt Road updates were delayed by the finding of a midden near the Delta Point Inn, and by the secondment of equipment from the project to deal with the recent Tersasen Gas leak on Bay Street. Work has resumed.
- Updates to Craigflower Road are budgeted for this year and include the bike lanes through Vic West. Upon request, John will make sure that the final Transportation Plans will be available for the community to view prior to the work beginning.

Adjournment:

The meeting was adjourned to be followed by a community brainstorming session whereby those attending were asked to imagine possible program uses for the Y building should the Association assume responsibility for running it.