

**VWCA BOARD Minutes May 26, 2020
7:00 P.M. Held virtually**

With humility and gratitude, we acknowledge that the land on which we gather as guests is the traditional territory of the Coast Salish peoples, specifically the Lekwungen, also known today as the Songhees and Esquimalt nations.

Attendance: Justine Semmens, Andrew Gow, Dar Purewall, Mike Medland, Nihad McBride, Laura Floyd, John Mullane, Sean Dance, Veronique Plante, Amanda Allan, Supriya Crocker, Michael Hill, Jeremy Loveday, Johanne Thompson, Julie Bull, Laura Tate, Patti Parkhouse

Regrets:

1. Call to Order - 7:01PM by Justine Semmens
2. Adoption of agenda

Motion: *Moved by Justine Semmens that the May 26th, 2020 Agenda be approved with an amendment to remove financial reports for May and move parks report to item number 4. Carried.*

3. Approval of April 28, 2020 Board meeting minutes

Motion: *Moved by Justine Semmens that the April 28, 2020 VWCA Board Meeting minutes be approved. Carried.*

4. City of Victoria Reports:

A. Jeremy Loveday (Councilor Liaison, City of Victoria)

- City of Victoria COVID-19 recovery plan, expanding patio seating, more pedestrian areas, growing together campaign, reduced parking rates.
- Emergency housing.
- Boats in the Gorge and Signage at Banfield Dock.
- Unconfirmed playground reopening. Potentially an update next Thursday.

B. Michael Hill (Community Development Coordinator, City of Victoria)

- Neighbourhood grants for COVID response, opening June 1st. Ongoing intake.
- Grants for neighbourhoods impacted by COVID.

C. Parks Report - with guest speaker Laura Tate of the Parks & Environment Committee.

- Banfield Park update, waiting to meet with city staff
- Opportunity area
- Feedback from the board & meeting with the city

5. Executive reports:

● President:

- Check-in with directors
- Robert Street fire update, applying for a grant for Kiosks outside house. Justine Semmens will go ahead with the project.
- Letter to Mayor and Council of the City of Victoria re: staff delegation of CALUC process during the COVID-19 pandemic

Motion: *Moved by Justine Semmens that the VWCA support the Projects and events committee to revisit the use of the MDMA funds dedicated to placemaking in Vic West. Carried.*

VWCA support the projects and events committee to REVIEW AND DEVELOP RECOMMENDATIONS FROM THE VW community for the use of the MDMA funds dedicated to placemaking in Vic West

- Vice president:
- Secretary

Applicants for VWCA membership:

Mandi Storey (Robert St.), Kris Olson (Craigflower Rd.)

Motion: *Moved by Dar Purewall that these applicants for VWCA membership be approved and received into the membership roll. Carried.*

- Treasurer: January, February, March Financial Statements
- **Motion:** *Moved by Mike Medland that the January & February 2020 Financial Statements be received. Carried.*
- Executive Director's Report

Motion: *Moved by Justine Semmens that executive reports be received. Carried.*

6. Committee reports:

- **Parks and Environment:** Verbal Report - Meeting May 21st
- **Executive:** approved minutes April 14, 2020
- **Finance:**
- **communications:**
- **Community Centre**
- **Food Security Collective:**
- **Land use:**
- **Governance:**
- **Harbours:**
- **Projects and Events:** Placemaking Project Update
- **Transportation:**

Motion: *Moved by Justine Semmens that committee and project reports be received. Carried.*

7. Questions/comments from the floor

8. Announcements

9. Adjournment

Motion: *Moved by Justine Semmens that the meeting be adjourned at 9:02PM. Carried.*