

VWCA BOARD MINUTES JANUARY 26th, 2021

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, Mike Medland, Dar Purewall, Amanda Allan, Patti Parkhouse, Veronique Plante, Laura Tate, Kent Verge, Supriya Crocker, Sean Dance

Regrets:

Guests: Johanne Thompson, Sharmarke Dubow, Michael Hill, Julie Bull

1. Call to Order

Motion: *Moved by Justine Semmens that the January 26th, 2021 VWCA Board Meeting be called to order at 7:08PM. Carried.*

2. Adoption of agenda

Motion: *Moved by Justine Semmens that the January 26th, 2021 VWCA Board Meeting agenda be approved. Carried.*

3. November 24th, 2020 Board meeting minutes

Motion: *Moved by Justine Semmens that the November 24th, 2020 VWCA Board Meeting minutes be approved. Carried.*

4. City of Victoria Reports:

A. Sharmarke Dubow (Councilor Liaison, City of Victoria)

- City of Victoria Budgeting

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

- City Council budget - skate park lighting, swimming dock improvements,
- Community virtual series - next one on feb 17th
- Stephen Andrew was newly elected.
- Strategic Plan grants
- MGNG have better turn around time.
- New fence around banfield park basketball court and playground.
- Walk talk with city staff at Skinner St.

5. Executive reports:

- President: Report attached
 - Can we open our meetings to the public - technical aspects
 - AGM, Assigning Directors, Board Retreat

- Vice president:
- Secretary:
- Executive Director:
 - New portables opening soon - waiting on outdoor play space
 - Not many programs are running - no high intensity

Applicants for VWCA membership: Charles Burnett (Edward St.), Brian Richter (Belton Ave), Emily Muertz (Tyee Rd.)

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

- Treasurer:
 - Largest surplus in the history of the Association - partially due to grants from the provincial government and childcare grants.
 - Can we spend surplus on community events when allowed?

Motion: *Moved by Mike Medland that the VWCA board receives the October 2020 VWCA monthly financial statements. Carried.*

Motion: *Moved by Mike Medland that 2020 Financial Statements be approved. Carried.*

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

6. Committee reports:

- **Executive:**
- **Finance:** VCAN meeting
- **Communications:**
- **Community Centre**
- **Food Security:** Report attached
 - Trees in the city had an overwhelming response
 - Gift of good food - supporting 13 families in Vic West
 - Good Food Summit
- **Land use:**
- **Parks and Environment:**
- **Governance:**
- **Harbours:** Gorge Waterway initiative meetings
- **Projects and events:**
- **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 8:36PM.
Carried.*