

FALSE CREEK SOUTH NEIGHBOURHOOD ASSOCIATION

Delegates' Meeting: December 1, 2010

Minutes of Meeting:

Present:

John Saville- Newport Quay
Keith Freer- 666 Leg-in-Boot
Gillian Willis-Harbour Terrace
Patsy McMillan- City Gate
Margaret Mitchell-Henley Court
Merv Therriault- Alder Bay Place
Dave Osborne-Marine Mews
Gordon Watson-Creekview Co-op
Kathleen MacKinnon-Regatta
Wes Knapp-Regatta

Absent: Wendy Herdin, Alder Bay Place; Jean Fraser, Heather Point; Richard Evans, False Creek Housing Co-op; Sean MacLaren, False Creek Housing Co-op; Carol Simpson, 658 Leg-in-Boot Square; Marian Hogue, Pacific Cove; Jennifer Greenwood, Pacific Cove; Jeannie Parnell, Twin Rainbows Co-op; Klara Sachter, Discovery Quay; Laurie Clarke, Spruce Harbour Marina; Anne Pearson, Island Cove.

ANNOUNCEMENT: Our FCSNA president, John McBride, died on October 25, 2010. A celebration of his life will be held on **Sunday, December 19, 2010 from 1:30 to 3:30 at Performance Works on Granville Island.** All FCSNA delegates, past and present, are invited to attend this event. As well, any individuals who worked with John in his many roles in life are welcome to join us.

1. Approval of Agenda

Two additional items were added.

APPROVED

2. Approval of Minutes of November 3, 2010. Item 3 under reports should read October 20 not Sept 30 as the date that FCSNA delegates met with FCRA to discuss on-going liaison.

APPROVED

3. Correspondence and Administration

4. Finance: Treasurer's Report was circulated at the November 3, 2010 meeting.

APPROVED

5. REPORTS

a) Parks: Off-leash dogs-The contact person from the Vancouver Parks and Recreation for this issue will now be Commissioner Constance Barnes. We need a contact person to be our representative regarding this contentious issue.

M/S That Gillian Willis (Harbour Terrace) be FCSNA's representative to meet with Commissioner Barnes regarding the matter of off-leash dogs in our neighbourhood parks.

APPROVED

b) FCSNA website.

Kathleen MacKinnon reported on recent additions to our website, in particular information about the community garden slated for our neighbourhood, next to the NEU. (FCSNA is the sponsor of this community garden.)

c) FCSNA sub-committees/planning groups:

These groups are on hold, waiting for the City's action on the undeveloped lands next to Olympic Village, as well as plans for under the Cambie Street bridge.

d) False Creek Residents' Association and North East False Creek

Patsy McMillan informed the meeting that an open house, including a walking tour, of the proposed Plaza of Nations development site, is set for **December 8 from 4 pm until 8 pm**, at the Roundhouse. As this development will impact on the south side of False Creek, an invitation is extended to all delegates from FCSNA.

On **January 19**, former mayor Sam Sullivan is hosting a workshop on "silence" initiatives in neighbourhoods, particularly excessive use of emergency vehicles' sirens. The meeting will take from noon to 2 p.m. at a meeting room at the CBC.

On **January 26**, Councillor Geoff Meggs will show visuals and speak to the issue of the proposed removal of the Dunsmuir and Georgia Street viaducts. This takes place at the City Gate meeting room, 125 Milross Street, Quebec and Milross—7 pm to 9 pm.

e) Jade Fountain

Dave Osborne presented a landscaping sketch of the Jade Fountain, one that incorporates the memorial feature of the fountain. The fountain is located on the northern edge of the False Creek Elementary School's playground. Dave will discuss the landscaping proposal with the Park Board's gardener and report back to FCSNA at the February, 2, 2011 meeting. Val Embree has volunteered to work with Dave on involving the school children in some aspect of this proposal.

f) FCSNA sub-committee on neighbourhood maturity and leases

Dave Osborne outlined the initial thinking on the issue of sub-committee's work which focuses on: land leases in False Creek, neighbourhood renewal, community efforts to define the unique qualities of False Creek, aging in place strategies, and the potential for working with the City of Vancouver to address these issues. **Our January 5, 2011 meeting will continue discussion of these topics.**

6. *Sea Wall—Signage/Safety*

No further report since our last meeting.

7. *Creek Community Garden*

John Seville (Newport Quay), a member of the founding community garden group, presented two documents which set up the False Creek Community Garden: 1) Community Garden Licence, 2) Community Garden Partner Agreement between the City of Vancouver and the False Creek South Neighbourhood Association. The documents will be examined, signed, and submitted.

A grant of \$700 has been provided by FCSNA to the Community Garden group. As well, a loan of \$700 has been provided, repayable as follows: Nov. 30, 2011 (\$200); Nov. 30 2012 (\$200); Nov. 30, 2013 (\$200); Nov. 30, 2014 (\$100).

8. *Other business*

The Vancouver City Planning Commission is sponsoring a one-day conference on January, 29 2011 on 'engaging citizens and the city in a productive dialogue about evolving as a sustainable city of sustainable neighbourhoods'. The Conference planners have requested neighbourhood associations to name up to five individuals to attend this conference, people who are recognized as "action" oriented and involved in sustainable initiatives in their communities. Margaret Mitchell volunteered to attend on our behalf.

9. *Unfinished business*

a) Creek outflow issues

b) New sewage pumping in the Creek

Adjournment: 9:05 pm

**NEXT MEETING: FALSE CREEK COMMUNITY CENTRE
Wed. January 5, 2011**