

FALSE CREEK SOUTH NEIGHBOURHOOD ASSOCIATION
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Delegates' Meeting: October 5, 2011

Minutes of Meeting:

Present:

Keith Freer (Treasurer)	666 Leg-In-Boot Square
John Saville	Newport Quay
Kathleen MacKinnon (President)	Regatta
Wes Knapp (Secretary)	Regatta
Gillian Willis	Harbour Terrace
Margaret Mitchell	Henley Court
Dave Osborne (Vice-President)	Marine Mews
Jo-Ann Hilton	Creek Village
Norah Hartman	Discovery Quay
Eva Swartz	Discovery Quay
Beryl Wilson	Spruce Village
Mary Brusse	FCRA
Carol Simpson	658 Leg-in-Boot Square
Marles Farrugia	Guest, Fountain Terrace
Diane Darch	Guest, Fountain Terrace

Regrets:

Richard Evans	False Creek Housing Co-op
Wendy Herdin	Alder Bay Co-op
Patsy McMillan	City Gate & FCRA
Merv Therriault	FCRA
Arthur Brock	FCRA
Anne Pearson	Island Cove
Gordon Watson	Creekview Co-op

Absent:

Laurie Clarke	Spruce Harbour Marina Co-op
Kristina Grant	Henley Court
Jennifer Greenwood	Pacific Cove
Marian Hogue	Pacific Cove
Jeannie Parnell	Twin Rainbows Co-op
Sean MacLaren	False Creek Housing Co-op

The meeting began with a presentation from invited guests, Martes Farrugia and Diane Darch, both from Fountain Terrace’s Environmental Committee. This committee was struck two years ago to investigate and implement additional recycling options for Fountain Terrace residents. Fountain Terrace’s goal is to lighten the environmental impact of the building, while adding value to the quality of life.

Options now include recycling bins for batteries; regular pickups for deposit containers with cash returned to the Environmental Committee—which is then donated to charities; provision for composting of food scraps through Granville Island’s composting capacity; additional bike racks to encourage more cycling. As well, swap meets have been organized. Plans are being considered for plug-ins for electric cars, solar panels, hanging laundry out to dry, reduction in electric power consumption.

Please see the attachment to these minutes regarding the Environmental Program at Fountain Terrace.

More information on this program is available from Martes Farrugia who has agreed to meet with representatives of other stratas, boards, and co-ops to outline the program at Fountain Terrace. Martes can be reached at 778-317-5592 or ftenviro@msn.com.

The formal part of the meeting began at 7:30.

1. Agenda Approval

Motion: That the agenda as circulated be approved:

M/S

APPROVED

2. Approval of Minutes: September 7, 2011

Item 5 (b) False Creek Residents’ Association be amended to include the comment : that the origin of the FCRA was at the request of representatives from FCSNA and that Patsy McMillan volunteered to pull it together.

Motion: That the minutes of the September 7, 2011 FCSNA be approved as amended.

M/S

APPROVED

3. Treasurer's Report

Keith Freer, Treasurer, reported as follows:

Current Bank Balance: \$ 6,708
Term Deposits: \$ 10,000

Anticipated budget item: \$1500. (Planting for Jade Fountain)

Keith indicated that he would be bringing forward a draft budget proposal for 2012 at the next FCSNA meeting on November 2, 2011.

Motion: That the treasurer's report be approved:

M/S

APPROVED

4. Reports

a) False Creek South Neighbourhood Planning Committee

Gillian Willis reported on behalf of the False Creek South Neighbourhood Planning Committee indicating that the committee is preparing for a second meeting with the City of Vancouver to discuss lease extensions and a planning process for South False Creek. False Creek South representatives have set weekly meetings to design a plan to present to the City regarding the maturing and evolution of our neighbourhood.

b) False Creek Residents' Association

Mary Brusse distributed a set of draft questions being proposed for the all-candidates' meeting on October 24th at Elsie Roy Elementary School at 7:30 p.m. The meeting is an opportunity for city council and park board candidates to put forward their positions on key matters in the upcoming City of Vancouver election on November 19, 2011. Delegates were asked to review the questions and suggest additional questions. Three additional topics were suggested: non-market housing, reducing littering, and leased properties. Kathleen offered to coordinate feedback and forward a response to FCRA.

FCSNA treasurer, Keith Freer, requested clarification of FCRA's financial situation and details regarding membership. Clarification on these matters was promised.

Kathleen brought to the attention of delegates a letter from FCRA to City Council and senior staff regarding the issue of Concord's long-promised park for north east False Creek. The letter implied that our neighbourhood association (FCSNA) was involved in the discussions about the configuration of the park, as well as community amenity contributions. Our delegates have not been involved in such discussions. Consequently, we have not taken a position on the park configuration or the amenities. Council is set to make a decision on these matters tomorrow (Oct. 6, 2011).

Motion:

That the FCSNA send a letter (overnight) to Mayor and Council, copied to senior staff, indicating that we have not been involved in discussions on the configuration of the NE False Creek park or the community amenity contributions.

M/S

APPROVED

(A copy of FCSNA's letter to the City of Vancouver is attached to these minutes.)

c) Jade Fountain

Dave Osborne reported that some basic landscaping around the Jade Fountain has been undertaken by a group of volunteers from the False Creek Co-op co-ordinated by Val Embree and Andre McBride. The Park Board will soon prepare a proposal for finalizing the planting. We will share the cost of the plants with Vancouver Park Board. (Our share: up to \$1500.)

Kathleen will send a note of thanks to the individuals who participated in the landscaping work around the fountain.

d) *Keep Vancouver Spectacular*

John Saville reported that he had surveyed the 38 individuals who participated in our spring, 2011 *Keep Vancouver Spectacular* clean-up to see if there is interest in conducting more frequent cleanups. The response was positive: 21 replies were received, all but two of whom were in favour of a Spring and Fall cleanup. John will propose date and details for a fall cleanup at our next meeting.

5. New Business

FCSNA Constitution

Kathleen proposed that FCSNA begin work to update our constitution.

Motion:

That work begin on an amended constitution for approval by the FCSNA.

M/S

APPROVED

(Kathleen MacKinnon and John Seville agreed to undertake initial work on the constitution for presentation to the executive committee; Gillian Willis offered to provide editing.)

ADJOURNMENT: 9:00 p.m.

Next Meeting: Wednesday, November 2, 2011, 7 p.m. in the Boardroom of the False Creek Community Centre