

**False Creek South Neighbourhood Association
Delegates Meeting
Minutes of Meeting, Wednesday Feb. 5, 2014**

Delegate

Sharon Yandle – President
Kathie Cornes - Secretary
Jo-Ann Hilton
Jennifer Greenwood
Ladora Minielly
Merv Therriault
Charlie Richmond
Diane Darch
Mats Tholin
Nora Hartman
Eva Swartz
Sean MacLaren
John Saville
Meg Clarke
Josef Skala
Deborah Brakeley
Gillian Willis
Gordon Watson

Representing

Marine Mews
Market Hill
Creek Village
Pacific Cove
Alder Bay Place
Alder Bay Place
Henley Court
Fountain Terrace
Heather Point
Discovery Quay
Discovery Quay
False Creek Co-op
Newport Quay
Newport Quay
Marine Mews
Marine Mews
Harbour Terrace
Creekview Co-Op

Regrets

Wendy Herdin – Vice President
David McCann -Treasurer
Kathleen MacKinnon
Wes Knapp
Donna Lucas
Beryl Wilson

Alder Bay Co-Op
Greater Vancouver Floating Home Co-op
Regatta
Regatta
Lagoons
Spruce Village

Absent

Jim Woodward
Margaret Mitchell
Kristina Grant
Keith Freer
Marion Hogue
Richard Evans
Anna Ling

Market Hill
Henley Court
Henley Court
666 Leg-in-Boot Square
Pacific Cove
Re*Plan Committee, False Creek Co-op
658 Leg-in-Boot Square

1. Approval of Agenda

That the agenda as circulated be approved.

M/S APPROVED

2. Approval of Minutes of the previous meeting

That the minutes of January 8, 2014 be approved.

M/S APPROVED

3. Business Arising from the Minutes

a) Christmas Caroling Event Budget

Discussion to be deferred to the March meeting when Treasurer David McCann will be in attendance.

b) False Creek South in the Media

At the January meeting Sharon Yandle drew delegates' attention to a series of articles about False Creek South featured in the Tyee online newspaper. She informed the meeting that as a follow-up to that article Fairchild TV has also created programming about the area, to be aired on Feb. 10 and 11 and available online thereafter.

4. Correspondence

- Sharon sent an email to Tiina Mack, Manager of Park Development, thanking her and the City for the completion of the playground improvements in Charleson Park.

- FCSNA received an email from a community member regarding the new condo building at 2200 Willow Street (6th and Willow, on the former Apple Hill site), calling it an eyesore and asking us to support the planting of large trees in front of the building. As directed by the meeting, Sharon will respond to the complainant, explaining that this issue is outside of our jurisdiction.

5. Treasurer's Report

No report at this time.

6. Reports

a) Re*Plan Committee

Jerry Roy presented an update on Re*Plan's recent activities, including the following:

- The city's Community Planning Consultation for False Creek South is scheduled to begin in March/April 2014.

- The Committee continues to discuss issues of lease renewal, lease structure, land valuation, affordability, and methodology for implementing a new regime.

- Committee members gave a presentation to residents at Mariner Point last week and are willing to meet with residents in other enclaves to explain the issues and get their input.

- Re*Plan is planning to set up a meeting with newly-appointed Chief Housing Officer. Mr. Mukhtar Latif, who has been tasked with working to identify, appraise and deliver more affordable housing in the City. They've also met with Kent Munro, Assistant Director of Planning, who is responsible for planning in our area.

- False Creek South (FCS) stakeholders (co-ops, non-profits & leasehold stratas) are at different stages of planning for discussions regarding their specific issues in interacting and negotiating with the City. To date, the co-ops have been meeting for approx. the past 5 months. The strata leaseholders group has planned their first meeting for the middle of February. Re*Plan is meeting in mid-February with some people from the non-profit sector in FCS to discuss ways they might organize to discuss their specific issues.

- The committee has examined different jurisdictions that have created successful models for affordable housing. One of the most successful is the Burlington, Vermont Land Trust, the largest Land Trust of its type in the US. They are looking into inviting a representative of the Burlington Community Land Trust to speak to the community and the City once the community planning process begins. The Land Trust, established in Burlington in 1984 has as its goal “to provide and preserve housing that will be kept permanently affordable, and to promote neighbourhood revitalization.”

7. Unfinished Business

a) Archiving of “The Creek” Newspaper. Gillian Willis reported that scanning was completed in January and that Beryl Wilson will arrange to settle the bill on her return this month.

8. New Business

a) Village Vancouver Spaghetti Night. Village Vancouver is part of the Transition Towns international sustainability movement (“a grassroots network of communities that are working to build resilience in response to peak oil, climate destruction, and economic instability”). We may wish to join this organization. A Spaghetti Night (at which food, but not necessarily spaghetti, will be served) is scheduled for Wednesday, Feb. 26, 6-8 p.m. at the Spruce Harbour Marina clubhouse. Email Jerry Roy at royer@gmail.com if you wish to attend &/or will bring a dish. To learn more about Village Vancouver go to villagevancouver.ca.

b) “Fix Sixth”. Discussion about traffic problems on 6th Avenue has taken place over the last few months, including the Fix Sixth event at False Creek Elementary School. Sean McLaren reported that a Fairview Slopes resident, Mr. Domenic Frei, has been successful in pressing the city to evaluate the street’s traffic volume and incidence of speeding and other traffic infractions. As a result, the city is now obligated to take measures to mitigate these problems.

Motion to invite Domenic Frei to the March meeting of the FCSNA to advise delegates of developments regarding 6th Avenue traffic mitigation.

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c) Emergency Planning. Ladora Minielli reported that a water main break occurred at Alder Bay Place in December. Apparently the Fire Department had a great deal of difficulty in finding the city water shut-off location and a lot of damage was incurred in the interval. Updating and posting of emergency information is possibly something that all enclaves should consider. Ladora suggested that all delegates inform their boards and strata councils of the need to locate their shut-off valves.

d) Community Gardens. It was agreed that Sean Conway of Charleson Garden will be invited to attend the March meeting to deliver an update on the community garden in Charleson Park.

e) Slipping Hazard on Seawall. Gordon Watson raised the issue of chronic poor drainage on the seawall, especially at the north end of Greenchain near the pond. In the cold weather the water can freeze and create a hazard. The City has been contacted but with little result so far. Sharon agreed to take a look at this location and write a letter regarding it to the City's engineering department.

f) Lighting. Nora Hartman raised a concern about lighting on area streets and in Charleson Park. Some suggestions for improvement were higher wattage bulbs and trimming of trees and bushes in some locations.

Adjournment: 8:15 p.m.

**Next Meeting: Wednesday, March 5, 2014 7-9 p.m.
Location: Sitka Square Meeting Room**

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