

**False Creek South Neighbourhood Association
Delegates Meeting
Minutes of Meeting, Wednesday March 2, 2016**

Enclave	Delegate(s)
658 Leg-in-Boot Sq.	-
666 Leg-in-Boot Sq.	Rosalie Hawrylko, Ralph Skinner
Alder Bay Co-op	Wendy Herdin (Vice President)
Alder Bay Place	-
Connaught Housing Co-op	-
Creek Village	-
Creekview Co-op	Gordon Watson
Discovery Quay	Janice Ninatti
False Creek Co-op	Karen Hemmingson
Fountain Terrace	Dennis McCann (Treasurer), Diane Darch, Tineke Hellwig
Greater Van. Floating Home Co-op	George Milne, George McEwen
Harbour Terrace	Gillian Willis, Marie-Claude Collins
Heather Point	Mats Tholin
Henley Court	Charlie Richmond, Susan Wright
Lagoons	-
Marina Housing Co-op	-
Marine Mews	Patricia Martin, Josef Skala, Sharon Yandle (President)
Mariner Point	Cory Lake
Market Hill	Jim Woodward, Kathie Cornes (Secretary)
Newport Quay	Susan Harris
Pacific Cove	Jennifer Greenwood
Regatta	Kathleen MacKinnon, Evan Alderson
Sea Village	-
Spruce Village	-
Stamps Landing	-
Twin Rainbows Co-op	Doug Broome
 Regrets	
Alder Bay Co-op	Sylvia Smallman
Creek Village	Richard Marchant
Pacific Cove	Marion Hogue
Spruce Village	Beryl Wilson
 Other Attendees	
Peer-Daniel Krause	Re*plan
David Rawsthorne, Lindsay Neufeld	City of Vancouver Active Transportation Committee
Deborah Brakeley	Charleson Community Garden
Lucas Bleackley Petter	Marina Co-op
Kathleen Kulpas	Connaught Co-op

1. Approval of Agenda

Motion That the agenda be approved.

M/S APPROVED

2. Approval of Minutes

Motion That the minutes of the February 3, 2016 Delegates Meeting be approved.

M/S APPROVED

3. Business Arising from the Minutes

a) Website Needs

Peer-Daniel Krauss reported that the redesigned FCSNA website, launched in December 2015, has seen an increase in traffic and is promising to be an excellent tool for disseminating and exchanging information in False Creek South. He spoke to the need to recruit volunteers to fill three roles in updating and maintaining the website: communications coordinator, web content management and web support (i.e. to maintain functionality).

Peer-Daniel introduced Lucas Petter, a member of the Marina Co-op, who has provided help in web support and may continue to do so.

Sharon Yandle called for volunteers to undertake some of these roles. Susan Wright, Doug Broome, Susan Harris and Janice Ninatti all volunteered to help initiate the process of coordinating communications.

4. Correspondence

a) Email dated Jan 15, 2016 from Carol Prest (Registrar & Exec. Director-Registries & Online Services, of the BC Ministry of Technology, Innovation & Citizens' Services) to Sharon Yandle regarding changes to the Societies Act and upcoming (Nov. 2016) requirement for societies to enter information in the Ministry's new online filing system.

b) Email dated Jan. 15, 2016 from Françoise Parkin, resident of Newport Quay, to Susan Harris (FCSNA delegate) and forwarded to Sharon Yandle re issues of garbage, litter and dangerous pavement in her area. (See New Business)

c) Message dated Feb. 19/16 from Jeremy Mills, Olympic Village resident, to Re*plan (received on FCSNA website) asking to meet with FCSNA regarding his plan to create a neighbourhood map.

5. Finance

Treasurer Dennis McCann reported that membership dues totaling \$5,915 were received in February: the remaining invoiced amount of \$3,820 is yet to be received. The Association's \$5,000 non-redeemable term deposit expires on March 11, 2016 and Dennis recommends allowing it to roll over upon maturity to a new 1-year non-redeemable term deposit at the 1.2% member's rate.

Motion That the Treasurer's Report for the period ending February 29, 2016 be accepted.

M/S APPROVED

Motion That the \$5000 non-redeemable term deposit expiring March 11, 2016 be allowed to roll over to a new 1-year term. **M/S APPROVED**

6. Reports

a) Re*plan Committee

Jim Woodward and Wendy Herdin gave an update on Re*plan activities. The committee recently met with the City's General Manager of Real Estate and presented background and information regarding community land trusts. Re*plan's sub-committees continue to meet regularly. The Strata sub-committee has held numerous outreach sessions for stratas to explain Re*plan's mandate, progress to date and to make the case for funding and is also looking into provisions of the BC Strata Property Act. The Co-op sub-committee is working on an overall plan to assist the 17 co-ops (some of which are in other areas of the city) whose leases come due in the 2021 – 2024 period.

Sharon reported that the City has set up a steering group consisting of the City Manager and directors of the Housing, Planning, Real Estate, Finance and other departments. This committee meets every three weeks specifically to deal with False Creek South. Sharon, along with Richard Evans (Re*plan Chair) and consultants Nathan Edelson and Peer-Daniel are now meeting regularly with senior staff in those departments.

b) Syrian Refugee Sponsorship

Kathleen MacKinnon presented a report on the status of our sponsorship project:

“We learned this week that our application has been approved and we now have a case number in Winnipeg (the office of Immigration Canada), an essential requirement in the sponsorship process. The file is now on the desk of an immigration official in Amman, Jordan, the Embassy of Canada in Jordan and Iraq. Thus, we are optimistic that our file is moving ahead. We have heard that we could get as much as 20 days' notice or as little as 48 hours [before their arrival]. While we wait we are in close contact with the Shaughnessy United Church congregation who has also received an Immigration Canada number. This congregation is sponsoring the brother of our family's dad, Azad.

Everything is ready in the apartment. A bag has been prepared for their arrival at the airport which includes a stuffy for each of the kids, some wipes, extra diapers, and of course car seats. If anything, the apartment is over ready. Neighbours in the Creek have been so generous that we have had to ask them to stop giving. Our various committees have been hard at work making the apartment into a home for the family. The bed is made, the towels are folded and waiting, the children's room is lightly stocked with toys, books and clothes. A large storage cupboard is organized with clear storage boxes labeled with clothing for various ages so the parents can go through these as the children grow. Members of the Twin Rainbows Co-op have been extremely helpful and generous and are eager to welcome the family.

Seventy neighbours and interested residents donated to our refugee project. We collected approximately \$35 000 in total which is sufficient to support the family for the year which is our legal obligation. Tax Receipts for 2015 donations have recently been mailed by University Hill United Church. Everyone has been so generous and anxious for the family to arrive.

If agreed to by the FCSNA delegates, we would consider jointly sponsoring the grandparents with Shaughnessy United once our family has been settled. They are the parents of the dad in “our” family, are in the same camp, and want to come to Canada but as yet have no sponsor.”

7. Unfinished Business

a) Seawall Changes

Sharon introduced David Rawsthorne and Lindsay Neufeld of the City’s Active Transportation Committee who had requested to attend the meeting to address some of our outstanding concerns about planned changes to the seawall between the Burrard and Cambie Bridges, specifically:

- i) Safety concern regarding cyclists traveling, sometimes at speed, along the path north from the Laurel land bridge and west through the False Creek Elementary schoolyard. David stated that, unfortunately, the bridge and other roadways were not in the scope of the current seawall project. He recommended we pursue the matter with the Engineering Department, the Parks Board and possibly with the School Board.
- ii) Issue of recommended changes to the Castings, in which a short section of existing paving stones would be replaced by smooth asphalt. David stated that the paving stones, while decorative, do create a hazard for some people (e.g. wheelchair users, cyclists) but they could leave them unaltered in this location at this point. He believes that the separation of cyclists and pedestrians in this area will go a good way to resolve the speed issue in this area.
- iii) Issue of the relocation of the loading zone and the prohibition of all service and other vehicle access other than emergency along the Castings. David stated that the existing road, although routed one-way southbound with no parking allowed, is not wide enough to accommodate traffic and a hazard is created, especially when vehicles park on the sidewalk. He said that the intention of the new plan is to retain the north loading zone as is and to relocate the south loading zone. Some of the existing roadway will be grassed over, still allowing for emergency vehicles to cross. Bicycle traffic would be diverted around the area.

A lively discussion followed. David invited delegates to attend the Council meeting, most likely in late April, when the Active Transportation Committee’s report is presented. Sharon thanked David and Lindsay for attending the meeting and reiterated that while the FCSNA has expressed concerns about specific aspects of the proposed changes (or lack thereof) particularly related to safety issues, we are generally supportive of the Committee’s current recommendations on improving traffic flow along the False Creek South seawall.

8. New Business

The issue was raised about garbage, particularly cigarette butts, near Stamps Landing. A group of residents of Pacific Cove has raised similar issues with both Mahony’s and the Wicklow and numerous other agencies. Jennifer Greenwood agreed to contact them to see if they have information about this.

9. Good and Welfare

Kathleen MacKinnon advised delegates that her strata council, the Regatta, has just passed a motion offering Re*plan the use of their meeting room for future meetings at no charge.

10. Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 8:35 p.m.

**Next Regular Meeting:
Wednesday, April 6 2016 7-9 p.m.
Location: Sitka Square Meeting Room**

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