

# False Creek South Neighbourhood Association

## **Delegates Meeting - virtual format**

## Wednesday, December 7, 2022

Member Enclave Member Delegates

666 Leg-in-Boot Square Susan Dehnel

Alder Bay Co-op Arlene Morgan

Alder Bay Place Sarah Calvin

Connaught Co-op Absent

Creek Village Susan Webber

Creekview Co-op Vincent Pierce

False Creek Co-op Val Embree (Secretary); Marta Goodwin (Treasurer)

Fountain Terrace Tineke Hellwig, Karen Hausch

GVFH Co-op Mike Talbot

Harbour Terrace regrets

Heather Point Saj West

Henley Court Charlie Richmond

Marine Mews regrets

Marina Housing Co-op Absent

Market Hill Jim Woodward

Pacific Cove Jennifer Greenwood

Regatta Evan Alderson, Kathleen MacKinnon

Spruce Village Yael Staev

Twin Rainbows Co-op Absent

Regrets: Alder Bay Co-op – Wendy Herdin (President); Harbour Terrace - Marie-

Claude Collins, ; Heather Point – Jennifer Heath; Marine Mews – Evan

Kligman, Sharon Yandle; Pacific Cove – Nancy Kirkpatrick

Guest:

Beth Dempster, Convivial

Cafe

#### 1. Call to Order

The vice-president called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m.

### 2. Agenda Approval and Previous Meeting Minutes Approval

It was moved, seconded and carried THAT: The proposed agenda is approved.

Minutes of November 2: Noted that item 6. subitems e), f) & g) were not legible in the PDF version circulated. These items were read to the meeting. This is to be addressed and the minutes recirculated.

It was moved, seconded and carried THAT: The minutes of November be approved.

#### 3. Business Arising from the Minutes -

a) Senakw contact – Evan spoke with his contact re liaising. He's advised that the team there is very very busy with start up of the project and now is not a good time. Consideration might be given to FCSNA expressing to their Rights & Title Office an interest in participating in an education session as a starting place. A preferred initial step is to make an effort to educate ourselves, rather than start by asking to be educated. CBC podcast called Land Back, with session 5 is dedicated to the Senakw project, is a suggested resource. Senakw:

https://www.cbc.ca/listen/cbc-podcasts/1341-landback/episode/15952788-e5-a-village-burned

Action: Evan will do some thinking re supporting further discussion.

b) upgrading the website – Evan notes that current formatting doesn't permit archiving BtB articles by theme. This may be possible to do going forward, and an index of historical articles may be the best we could do to deal with back issues.

Action: Susan notes she is familiar with the template being used and may be able to offer some help.

## 4. Secretary's Report

Val reported no correspondence sent since the last delegates' meeting.

### 5. Treasurer's Report

Marta provided an overview of 2022 expenditures against budget, and advised that an in-depth year end report will be provided by February for the Dec 31 year end.

#### 6. Committees, Working Groups and Liaison Reports

#### a) RePlan - planning committee of FCSNA

Jim Woodward reported that the current focus is on meeting with Councillors, recognizing that 6 are returning, and with the majority ABC caucus and mayor.

The City Planning Department led FCS community planning process is expected to get underway early in the new year, and will be important to engage with in order to re-shape the Real Estate Department proposal tabled with the City in October 2021.

The status of the MOU with stratas is in some current legal discussions regarding specific language that modifies lease end language and confirms the 20 year extension.

Co-op leases are also a key focus, with Creekview currently in active negotiations. Creekview is the only co-op with a 20 year extension provided for in their current lease which ends in 2023. However, the City has indicated a 20 year lease would be at market rates. The City is proposing a more flexible framework with a 12 year renewal to 2036, but there may be additional risks with that flexibility.

Tineke notes that Creekview Co-op's neighbouring strata has been offered a 20 year extension, taking them to 2060. The difference in offer to the co-op seems disruptive to the immediate neighbourhood.

## b) Community Housing Trust (aka Community Land Trust)

Jim reported on updates on the 7 VAHA sites identified for CHFBC CLT development. Only 3 are under development after a number of years, because they have not been able to reach an acceptable level of affordability, due to a lack funding streams. The inability to move on non-profit projects links to this lack of funding to be able to deliver affordability. Vancouver Sun article on this:

https://vancouversun.com/news/local-news/three-of-seven-vancouver-co-op-housing-projects-stuck-waiting-for-provincial-federal-funds-five-years-later

## c) Community Engagement Committee - Evan reporting

- **BtB newsletter –** next issue Dec 14. Publication has been every 2-3 weeks, but may be a little more intermittent in the near future based on submissions received, and capacity of the production team. Ideas or articles welcome.
- age friendly community working group Evan noted activities have slowed with the winter weather, but we continue to welcome interest and dialogue. Discussions with the Community Centre are underway and promising. Regular Thursday tea continues and is very well received.
- animation of Leg & Boot Square Beth reported on a number of planned events: Dec 10 Write for Rights; Wed Dec 14 5:30 6:30 pm carolling, including hot chocolate; Thursday afternoon teas. There have been small grants received for some winter lights and foam for seating. Lap blankets have been donated and Beth makes some ingenious hot water bottles. Even with the bad weather, people have come and enjoyed themselves for the afternoon teas.
  Convivial Cafe will close for a break in January, withThursday teas in February and March. The annual Convivial neighbourly pay-what-you-can Christmas dinner will be available for take out or for eating in the Square please make reservations!
- d) School Liaison Roxanne reported (by chat due to earlier departure from the meeting): the annual Christmas bazaar will be held, with funds going half to the grade 6/7 camp summit trip and half goes to the food bank. Christmas carrolling is Dec 14; School break starts Dec 16.

- **e)** Sustainability Resilience Working Group Yael advised of discussion with Friends of False Creek around interesting 'healthy waters' projects currently at the initiation phase. Yael is proposing we have a speaker from this group to this meeting when they are ready to invite additional volunteers, and this was endorsed.
- f) **Safety on the Seawall working group** Kathleen invites input and comments to the address provided in BtB recently. Brought to our attention is a June 2021 Parks Board motion, circulated with the agenda for this meeting. It addresses speed reduction, signage, and speed limits. The proposed time frame was defeated (first quarter of 2022). The Working Group has initiated follow up discussion with Parks Board staff on this issue, but wants to collate FCS input by the end of December and have a January or February discussion on the emerging recommendations with FCSNA delegates.

Action: Kathleen and Val will get an email out to delegates on this request for input in the next few days.

## 8. Good and Welfare: What's going on in your enclave?

- Tineke reports the pedestrian pavement in front of Fountain Way has been repaired.
- Evan notes the changes to the Strata Property Act to make more rental units available have been promulgated, and itwould be interested to know what impact this is having locally.

#### 10. Next Meeting and Adjournment

The next FCSNA Delegates' meeting is scheduled for Wednesday January 4 and is planned to be in person at the 711 Millyard meeting room.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:00 p.m.