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Burnside Gorge Community Association
Minutes of the Board of Directors Meeting

Monday, Mar 26, 2018 at 5:30pm

Present:	Chair: Melissa Huston Board members: John Sanderson, Tracy James, Andrew Johnson Staff: Suzanne Cole, Executive Director; Rachel O'Neill, Manager, Communications & Development Guests: City of Victoria: Geoff Young, Council Liaison; Gary Pemberton, Neighbourhood Liaison Prospective Board Members: Jeff Nelson, Elizabeth Cull Regrets: Avery Stetski, Michelle Peterson
Welcome and introductions	Melissa welcomed everyone to the meeting and introduced guests.
Agenda	The agenda of the March 26, 2018 Board Meeting was presented. Motion to accept, with changes MOTION TO ACCEPT: Andrew Johnson SECONDED: Tracy James ACTION: Rachel will put board executive appointments on the agenda for April's Board Meeting. CARRIED
Minutes	The minutes of the January 2018 Board Meeting were presented. Motion to accept both regular and web minutes: MOTION TO ACCEPT: Tracy James SECONDED: Andrew Johnson CARRIED
Action Items	Action items were reviewed and updated. The following are carried forward and/or revised: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Activity Grant for a block party in the Sumas Manchester area. Tracy has moved from the area. The City of Victoria would like to see the funds stay in the neighbourhood. It can be put out to the board and networks to find an alternative location and lead in the community.• Track it Forward Michelle sent the link and everyone's been using it. Rachel will follow up with Michelle with regards to getting everyone's hours from the app. ACTION: Rachel will put the available activity grant out to the Board and networks. ACTION: Rachel will follow up with Michelle regarding Track It Forward.
Board changes	Sam Jang has relocated and has stepped down from the Board.
Operations Update	Suzanne provided highlights around operations. <ul style="list-style-type: none">• There was an anticipated cost savings with the MSP reduction, but the newly announced health tax will be about the same amount.• Suzanne is still working on creating an operating agreement for all Community and Senior Centres• Selkirk Waterfront Festival will be held on Sunday, May 27

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Financials

Suzanne & John provided an overview of the financial statements:

- Financials look good
- Expected a loss with the wage increases that were approved in the fall, but Suzanne's been working hard to mitigate those increases wherever possible.

City Update

Gary shared a City update:

- The deadline for My Great Neighbourhood grants is April 15. Gary is meeting with folks down at Selkirk Montessori. If anyone has ideas or knows people who would be interested, get in touch with Gary. Some ideas include bike kitchens, information stands, block parties, etc.
- Concrete Canvas is a mural project planned for the summer of 2018 which will bring 10+murals to the Rock Bay area. Rachel and Avery are meeting with Connor at the City to help with planning.
- Graffiti is way up, several vandals at the moment that are really prolific, hoping the Rock Bay Mural program will hopefully have an impact

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Council Updates

Geoff shared a council update:

- Cedar Grove is going to be coming to council. There are questions around how the mixed tenant groups will work. There are challenges around things like controlled entry. There are also potential impacts of the legal battle at 844 Johnson regarding residential tenancy rights.

There was general discussion about the development and what the City's position might be around its lack of alignment with the local area plan. Council is balancing a regional need for more housing, right now Victoria is taking the lion's share of the burden.

New Business

Community Advisory Committee

Tracy gave a brief overview. This has come out of the community commitment document that BC Housing shared with community in February. The committee is currently made up of representation from BC Housing, social service housing providers, Vic PD, BGCA, Island Health and community members. Currently the committee is working on a Terms of Reference which will be going to the community in April. The committee will also have an accountability plan that looks at outcomes measurement for supported facilities in the neighbourhood. Once the TOR is in place there will be a broader call for participation.

Board Committees – Strategic Planning Committee

A small group will get together to review earlier strategic planning processes and make a determination on where to start to begin moving it forward again. Melissa will chair.

Other Board committees

Rachel will send Melissa a list of committees and Melissa will send a doodle poll out to the Board for sign-up.

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New Board Members

Motion to add Elizabeth to the board. Elizabeth shared some of her work history and her passion for the neighbourhood.

MOTION TO ACCEPT: Melissa Huston SECONDED: John Sanderson

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Motion to add Jeff Nelson to the board. Jeff brings expertise in business acumen, strategic planning, and accounting.

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CARRIED

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Committee updates

LUC

- Matt Phillips came to CALUC, purchased 502/508 Discovery. The proposal involves little exterior changes. The historical street car barns currently on the site will be refurbished and a skylight breeze-way added in the roof space above. The space will be used as co-working office space by Club Kwench.
- Ian Laing brought forward a proposal for Douglas/Queens which includes three storeys, a high-performance car lot on the ground with office/commercial space, and market residential above.

Burnside Project

- No updates since Pacifica attended the AGM.
- Working on designs for daycare and childcare space

Review Action Items

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Adjournment

7:30pm

~Next meeting April 23, 2018, 5:30pm~