

Burnside Gorge Community Association
Minutes of the Board of Directors Meeting

Monday, Oct 22, 2018 at 5:30pm

Present:	Chair: Avery Stetski, Board members: John Sanderson, Jeff Nelson, Michelle Peterson 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 member: Benji Miskuski Regrets: Andrew Johnson, Elizabeth Cull
Welcome and introductions	Avery welcomed everyone to the meeting.
Agenda	The agenda of the Oct 22, 2018 Board Meeting was presented. Motion to accept, with changes MOTION TO ACCEPT: Michelle Peterson SECONDED: John Sanderson CARRIED
Minutes	The minutes of the Sept 24, 2018 Board Meeting were presented. Motion to accept both regular and web minutes: MOTION TO ACCEPT: John Sanderson SECONDED: Michelle Peterson CARRIED
Action Items	Action items were reviewed and updated. The following are carried forward and adjusted: ACTION: Avery will reach out to Tracy regarding the letter to the City's transportation department. ACTION: John & Avery will continue working on a multi-strata community event for the activity grant.
Ops & Finance	Suzanne shared operational highlights: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• The audit is set for the week of November 14. Preparations have started early this year because it's a new team.• To address a staff shortage in Childcare two programs have combined to run out of the Burnside site temporarily.• The management team has formalized a Use of Personal Vehicle policy to ensure that staff are adequately covered by insurance when using their personal vehicles for work.
Prospective Board Member	Benji introduced himself to the group. He lives in the neighbourhood and is opening pet store on Burnside. He currently works at Victoria Native Friendship Centre in their shelter program and has a background working with vulnerable single populations.
City Updates	Gary shared staff update: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• The City is in the process of drafting the new Rock Bay Industrial Zone as outlined in the neighbourhood plan.• My Great Neighbourhood Grants are oversubscribed in the fall intake, the City has received 27 applications.

WEB

- Selkirk Montessori School is working on a project in Cecelia Cove to install natural play scape features (stumps for climbing, logs, boulders, etc). They are currently working through design and finding an appropriate scale for the project.
- There was a 43% voter turnout for the election in Victoria.

Geoff does not have a date for when Neighbourhood Liaison roles will be reassigned for the new council. He suggested acquainting new councillors with the specific neighbourhood issues, objectives of the organization, and what community priorities funding is desired for.

There was general discussion around inviting new councillors to a meeting to make the connection and introduce them to the neighbourhood. Gary offered to organize a walk-shop.

ACTION: Suzanne will work with Avery to draft an email to new councillors to invite them.

New Business

Ride for Refuge

- BGCA's goal for this year was exceeded, with \$11,000 raised. Avery thanked everyone for participating.
- There was general discussion about whether the event is the best fit and whether BGCA should explore some sort of dedicated fundraising efforts that will contribute 100% to BGCA.

Committee updates

Land Use Committee

- Speed/Frances tower project will be coming back to LUC soon. It was approved several years ago but it's coming back with revised plans.

Review Action Items

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Board Membership

A motion was put forward to appoint Benji Miskuski to the Board.

Motion: Michelle Peterson

Second: Jeff Nelson

CARRIED

Track hours

Reminder to everyone to fill out your volunteer time in Track it Forward

Adjournment

6:45 pm

~Next meeting Nov 26th, 2018~