



FORT LANGLEY COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION
MEMBER'S MEETING - MINUTES
Tuesday, March 20, 2018 - 7:30PM

PRESENT: George Otty, Soo-Jean Yee, Harold Whittell, Brigitte Seib and Ann Benoit, Lisa Weih, Karen Zukas, Nicholas Rawcliffe.

REGRETS: Andy Schildhorn, Solan Bucholtz and Jasmina Hansen.

GUESTS: Barbara Rawcliffe, Hanae Sakurai, Malcolm Weatherson, Carol Kershaw, Vivian Jervis and Rick Buchanan.

A. **CALL TO ORDER:** The meeting called to order at 7:55 PM.

B. **GUEST BUSINESS**

Hanae Samurai –Tree Protection Bylaw

Hanae Samurai provided a presentation to Langley Township Council two weeks ago concerning the lack of tree bylaw in the Township of Langley. Ms. Sumarai has the support of the FLCA and other Langley neighborhood association and local environmental groups. The request that was made to the Township council was to defer the matter to staff in order to form a committee to create a comprehensive bylaw that fits the Township of Langley. The intention is not to create a bylaw that is not far too restrictive but would help prevent clear cutting of properties.

Following the presentation and prior to forming a committee Councilor Fox put forward a motion to defer forming a committee until 2019 which would be after the upcoming election. Included in his motion was the details of which community stakeholders should participate in the 2019 committee if and when it is created.

In the meantime, the Township of Langley Council is being requested to adopt an interim bylaw (similar to the 2014 Brookwood/Fernridge bylaw) that would apply to areas of Township of Langley that do not have a tree bylaw. This request will be considered on April 9, 2018. The intent is to prevent clear cutting of properties and look to retain good, mature trees when large houses are built.

Representation from all community associations is being requested.

It was **MOVED, SECONDED** and **CARRIED** to support the interim tree bylaw and attend the Township of Langley council meeting to speak to the matter. One representative from FLCA will attend.

C. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

It was **MOVED, SECONDED** and **CARRIED** to approve the agenda.

D. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

It was **MOVED, SECONDED** and **CARRIED** to approve the January 16, 2018 minutes.

E. TREASURER REPORT

Total equity is \$296.79. FLCA is awaiting a response from the Township of Langley council concerning grant funding. The township has been requested to develop a funding grant that fits the needs of local associations; in late May, early April a response should be received on this matter.

F. SOCIAL MEDIA REPORT

The repair of the website is underway. Facebook page has 699 members. More utilization of social media such as Facebook to promote engagement was discussed.

G. BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES:

1. 2018 Survey: Feedback from the 2017 survey highlighted:

- More music events such as concerts are desirable. Given this, the Jazz Festival is being held on July 28 and July 29 (half day);
- Film Industry Concerns: A round table discussion with community stakeholders and Township of Langley representatives will be scheduled;
- Re-routing of truck traffic very important;
- Tree Protection and;
- Crime Prevention.

2. Crime/Blockwatch Prevention: A Crime/Blockwatch Presentation has been scheduled for April 9, 2018 from 6PM-9PM. RCMP representation, Township coordinator for crime prevention and local blockwatch captains will be attendance. Andy Schildhorn has kindly agree to be the moderator.

Posters are being posted around town and information forwarded to the local newspapers to advise residents.

H. MEETING ADJOURNED: The meeting was adjourned at 8:34 PM.

I. **NEXT MEETING:** April 17, 2018