

Fort Langley Community Association Meeting
September 12, 2023
Fort Langley Community Hall 7:30 p.m.
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Attendance:

Present: Alison Hewitt *, Betty Stock, Amy Read, Eileen Ferguson, Glenn Holstein, Gralin Doubleday, Megan Smith*, Janine Twist*, Sue Mackenzie*, Malcolm Weatherton*, Audrey Maschi, *

Regrets: Mike Barter*, Andy Schildhorn*, Aaron M*, Leis Reimer*

Call to Order: 7:33 p.m.

Land Acknowledgment

Approval of Agenda - Moved Audrey M., Seconded, Betty S.

Approval of Minutes July 11 , 2023 - moved Megan S., Seconded Janine T.

Treasurer's Report - Janine reported a current balance of \$10,697.07 after Insurance, Post Office, bills paid. Still to be paid will be the banners with an approximate cost of \$7,000.

Motion to receive report by Audrey M., Seconded Betty S.,

Committee Reports:

1. Glover Mary Church Development proposal

The letter from FLCA is posted on our website. The only response fro Council was from Councillor VanPopta and it doe not appear to be on website so will ask Andy if it can be posted upon his return.

There was a question about the Heritage Society and their authority on local decision making regarding development within Fort Langley. Perhaps we can look into how other cities such as New Westminster and Victoria have a more stringent process that involves the need for compliance of heritage standards and not simply guidelines or suggestions. More information needed. Some discussion about the Night Market and possible move. No confirmation at this time.

2 Waterfront Public Consultation

On July 10th, FLCA presented the results of our survey to the Township Council (see minutes July 11th)/. There was an acknowledgement from Council re: general consensus that respondents wished for a public space with public access to waterfront and green spaces along with the preservation of character and heritage. There has been no correspondence from Township regarding their survey results or intent. Results are on website. No additional information from Waterfront Committee - Andy may have an update upon his return. FLCA offer continued support for the paddlers and their on-going work to get the channel dredged. Water levels are of significant

concern to all, but the dredging won't take place this year. Only certain times of the year when it can be done, so on-going pressure to have it approved and planned to proceed next year.

3. Mosquito

Town Hall meeting held earlier this year was very successful and we have had a much better season with significant reduction in mosquito population. Alison shared a letter sent to Lovena Marten (ToL), Rhea Leroux (Metro Vancouver), and David Leavers (Metro Vancouver) regarding ongoing concerns to prevent a reoccurrence of the issues around mosquito population, health implications, use of drones. Letter referenced an article with link to mosquito prevalence in Metro Vancouver Daily Hive, August 29, 2023 and a link to health issues CBC September 9, 2023. Alison indicated our desire to keep informed and our on-going concerns with the mosquito issues.

4. Banners

The deadline for submission for the banners is October 1, 2023. Request for submissions have gone to the Fine Arts School, ToL Arts and Culture, Fort Langley Arts Group, Kwantlen. There will be a \$1,000 prize for the winning submission as well as a publication of their work and bio information. Great opportunity for artist to share their work and story. The Langley Advance/Times have indicated they will publish an article in their publication promoting the request for submissions. Janine and Audrey will submit article.

The goal is to have better quality banners that are more consistent with the quality of others that are displayed. There was a reminder that there was a suggestion to have previous banners shown on FLCA website.

New Business:

1. Round Table

- Report that the parking lot at the Marina Park has been significantly cleaned up and waiting for new parking lines to be painted. Improvement noted.
- Cranberry Festival - October 7, 2023
- Parking remains an ongoing issue for all groups and residents, businesses, etc. that needs to be addressed by ToL.
- Commercial Trucks - suggestion for people to send photos of the Commercial trucks driving through the residential areas of the Fort to avoid Glover Road to ToL or email to FLCA. One example provided by member was turning onto Francis and then down Church creating an unsafe neighbourhood.

Next meeting - October 10, 2023

Adjournment - 8:20 pm

