

Friends of Cedar Hill Park Society Board Meeting Minutes

Tuesday February 27th 2018, from 10:00pm to 12:00pm

Location: 3515 James Heights, Victoria BC, V8P3R6

FINAL DRAFT MINUTES

Attending:
Susan Haddon
Luis Netter
Peter Haddon
Jim Moores
Paul Bishop
Lana Burns
Barb Latham
Don Scott

Regrets:
John Schmuck
Andy Ruszel
Hugh Fraser

Minutes: Peter Haddon - Secretary

1. **The agenda** was adopted as circulated. (M: Luis, S: Peter, carried)
2. **Minutes:** Minutes from November 28th, 2017 were approved as posted to the website. (M: Jim; S: Susan, carried) Peter to forward final to Luis for website.
3. **Financial Report:**
 - a. Peter reviewed Hugh's financial report for the period April 1st to February 26th 2018. Cash in bank is \$5287.71. Report adopted M: Peter, S: Barb, carried. Notes: Donations \$2140 for period.
 - b. We have advised Saanich Parks that we can provide funding for trees.
 - c. Golf ball fund raising: Lana advised that she tried to sell balls through various channels without success. Don may talk to golf pro.
 - d. Saanich turned down our application for an operating grant.
 - e. Application for a Small Sparks grant remains an option. Next steps?
4. **Membership:**
 - a. Barb submitted her report for February 26th 2018.
 - b. Barb to start FCHP membership renewal campaign in March 2018. Needs a promotional text. Jim proposed that we advise members and potential supporters of the work we have completed in 2017-2018.
 - c. Barb asked Luis for an invitation to join FCHPS letter. - Luis
 - d. Report adopted M: Luis, S: Peter, carried.
5. **CHP Management Visioning and Planning Project**
 - a. Luis gave an update as FCHP's representative on the Stakeholder Working Group (SWG). The group is in the Visioning and Scoping phase. Next meeting is February 27th, 2018.
 - b. FCHPS would like to continue engagement with Saanich Parks.

- c. Peter to circulate the “Types of Report” and Vision documents to executive. He will send meeting notes to those that request.

6. CHP Inventories

- a. Don Scott to try to set a date for the next bird inventory. Liam’s very busy. Sign-up sheet will be required if we have members accompanying Liam.
- b. An insect inventory has been proposed but no date determined.
- c. Bird inventories posted to website. Peter will send documents to Luis.
- d. Peter to repeat photo inventory of previous locations.
- e. Luis suggested using Google docs as archive. Set-up?

7. Pulling Together in Cedar Hill Park

- a. Paul said that we continue to work clock-wise around the park. Good progress. Good turn-out. Now on West side at James Heights.
- b. Where are we with the Holly removal? – Andrew will arrange to meet Ian and FCHP stewards.
- c. Inventory of fallen oaks – Peter has photo inventory.

8. Planning FCHP Speakers and Events

- a. Walk the park event for members: Date?
- b. Speaker – Wayne Davis? Combine with QCHCA?
- c. Suggestions: Jody Watson lead a tour of CHP watersheds? Liam to lead bird survey? Swan Lake person to review prospects for King’s Pond? Consider another Pot-Luck supper for members.
- d. Bowker Creek clean-up provisional date – Sat. April 21st 2018.
- e. Member event plans to be explored. (Luis, Susan, Barb, Peter)

9. King’s Pond Clean-up

- a. Per the above, we will work with Swan Lake to review King’s Pond.
- b. Susan said that Peninsula Streams is interested in collaborating on a clean-up.
- c. Why in poor state: How to evaluate? Roy Shepard, Saanich Parks, Swan Lake walk around? – Who to lead arrangements?

10. Bowker Creek

- a. April 21st is our next clean-up date. Green Team is unable to help us.
- b. (Post meeting update: CRD’s Jody Watson is arranging a meeting with Saanich Engineering and Parks to look at the reach 17 to prepare a preliminary plan for the restoration in March. Funding to be discussed but no Saanich capital budget set aside. Jody said their source of matching funding expires in 2019.)
- c. Peter noted the riparian area between the bridges we have worked on, looks good. Trees healthy and invasive growth is not too bad.

11. The meeting adjourned at 12:20pm