



Friends of Cedar Hill Park Society Annual General Meeting

Saturday September 15th, from 5:00 to 6:00 pm

Location: 1245 Judge Place, Victoria BC

FINAL DRAFT MINUTES

Board Attending:

Susan Haddon

Luis Netter

Peter Haddon

Jim Moores

Paul Bishop

Lana Burns

Barb Latham

Regrets:

Don Scott

Andy Ruszel

John Schmuck

Hugh Fraser

Minutes: Peter Haddon - Secretary

1. The AGM Meeting

- a) Was called to order following a slide show presentation by Liam Singh of his photography of birds in Cedar Hill Park. Liam explained that there have been 68 species of bird identified in CHP and led us through a great resource, the Ebird website. He has conducted 4 inventories and identified 55 bird species himself.
- b) It was noted that FCHP conducted a CHP Kings Pond clean-up event in collaboration with Saanich Parks at 9:00am to 12:00pm today. Many thanks to all the volunteers.

2. The agenda

- a) Adopted as circulated. (M: Susan, S: Barb, carried)
- b) According to our sign-in sheet 22 members attended this AGM meeting.

3. AGM Minutes:

- a) Minutes from the AGM in September 2017 were approved as posted to the website. (M: Ken Campbell ; S: Jim Moores, carried)

4. Chair's report:

- a) Luis Netter gave a summary of the major activities of the FCHP in the past year.
- b) The CHP Management Planning Phase had a committee of 5 community representatives and 7 CRD and Saanich Parks staff. Seven meetings were conducted. These were difficult. Staff terminated further discussion with community representatives at the end of Phase 1. Staff is now writing a final

report for presentation to Council towards the end of 2018. It was suggested that the FCHP might write a question to candidates running for Council. Luis will review how to word a question re the future of CHP. A report presenting a community perspective is being drafted for review with QCHCA, FCHP and other community participants.

- c) FCHP has continued weekly Pulling Together clean-up activities in CHP under Paul Bishop's leadership. We have conducted Saturday clean-up events at Bowker Creek (April 2018) and most recently Kings Pond (September 15th 2018).

5. Treasurer's Year End financial report

- a) Susan presented Hugh's financial report for the period April 1st 2017 to March 31st 2018 Revenue was \$3052, expenses \$772, revenue over expenses \$2280, cash in bank is \$5344.
- b) A copy of Hugh's full report is available on request.
- c) Hugh noted that this is FCHP's 4th year of operation.
- d) FCHP is the recipient of \$2145 in donations in 2018 from a number of named and anonymous donors
- e) Report adopted M: Susan, S: Luis, carried.
- f) Meeting attendees expressed appreciation for Hugh's great work as FCHP Treasurer.

6. Membership Report:

- a) Barb submitted her report for the fiscal year ending March 31st 2018 when membership was 180 named members. We have 214 named members in September 2018. Barb noted Dr. Nancy Turner's honorary membership and the inspiration she has brought to the FCHP.
- b) Meeting attendees expressed their appreciation for Barb's great work on membership.

7. Special resolution to adopt new bylaws

- a) Susan has been working on revising FCHP bylaws in accordance with new provincial regulations under the Societies Act. She circulated copies of the current bylaws and the proposed new bylaws to the membership with the AGM meeting notice on August 22nd 2018.
- b) The current bylaws were originally prepared according to the "Schedule B' model bylaws when FCHP was registered as a society.
- c) Our current bylaws are required to be updated/modified to bring the FCHP bylaws into compliance with the BC Provincial Societies Act.
- d) Susan noted that the new 'model' bylaws as proposed for adoption at this AGM can be changed by the membership at future AGM meetings or through a special meeting called for that purpose.
- e) Resolution to adopt new model bylaws: M: Cornelia Bohn, S: Luis, carried.

- f) Meeting attendees expressed their appreciation for Susan's great work to bring FCHP's bylaws into conformance.

8. Election of Directors

- a. Luis welcomed members to nominate directors to FCHP's Board.
- b. The current board is: President and Chair: Luis Netter, Vice President: Don Scott, Past President: Susan Haddon, Membership: Barb Latham, Treasurer: Hugh Fraser, Secretary: Peter Haddon, Members at large: Jim Moores, Paul Bishop, Lana Burns, Andy Ruszel.
- c. Susan noted that John Schmuck has resigned from the board. Many thanks to John for all his efforts to preserve Cedar Hill Park.
- d. Members Ken Campbell and Dave Robertson offered to join the board as Directors at Large.
- e. Luis presented a motion to approve the board and the two new Directors at Large. M: Peter, S: Susan, carried.

9. The meeting adjourned at 5:30pm

- a) Many thanks to all those attending and to all the members and supporters who work and advocate for our beautiful Cedar Hill Park.
- b) A social gathering of attendees followed the AGM.
- c) Many thanks to Barb and Dennis Latham for their hospitality in making their home available for FCHP's AGM and social meeting.