

Connaught Heights Residents Association

April 1st, 2025 - General Meeting

Connaught Heights Pentecostal Assembly, 2201 Eighth Ave, New Westminster

AGENDA:

1. Association's Updates – Quick housekeeping, Discuss immediate needs if any
2. 2024 Budget – We have that now!
3. Pollinator Field – update on current condition
4. Meet and Greet – Is anyone interested in taking on a task?
5. Nominations for the CHRA Board
6. New Business

NEXT MEETING is Tuesday, May 13th, 2025, @ 6:30PM

DISCUSSION:

1. Association's Updates – Need to register for BC societies for 2024, cost of insurance for 2025 to date - \$117, cost for meeting refreshments \$20.95. Dues collected total = \$10
2. 2024 Budget—Balance \$734.47. Current CHRA funds total \$972.97, and with \$170 cash on hand.
3. Pollinator Field – NSG funded for 2025 requested for \$500. Also, Bob asked the city to apply for grant money from BC Hydro, and \$900 was granted. The next volunteering event will be in late April/ May – date to be confirmed.
4. The Meet & Greet event will be discussed in the future. Possible for fall.
5. Nominations for the CHRA Board, moved to next meeting
6. Neighbourhood Small Grants—Applications for funds are open until April 15th. A typical grant is \$500. The event must be completed by November 30th.
7. The group suggested having a booth at the next School Carnival. Sally spoke about the benefits of hosting a table and the need for more volunteers. Last year's event helped raise awareness, and as a membership drive, several new members were added to the distribution mail-out list. Possibly donate a prize.
8. Complaints about the 7/11 being gone and the lack of places to purchase groceries in the neighbourhood, e.g., 'food desert.'
9. The next meeting is to have a poster with a QR code. Distributed to a few spots. Invite a neighbour.
10. Motion to invite Liaison Councilor Daniel Fontaine, 2nd and voted in favour.
11. A suggestion was made to have a guest speaker at the next meeting. A motion proposed spending up to \$50 on an honorarium. Additional ideas included having a guest speaker on a common interest and fun topic, such as gardening, professional speaking, or demonstrating their skills.

