

Stave Gardens Community Association (SGCA)

Meeting Minutes

Wednesday, January 25, 2017

Call to Order: 7:14 pm

Attendance:

Keith Billesberger	Phil Cooper
Keith Holkham	Jennie Holkham
Colleen Beland	Tony Reid

Motion to Adopt minutes of last meeting: Tony Reid

2nd: Phil Cooper

All in favor: Yes

Expenses Reimbursement for the restoration of the society

- Phil paid \$500 from his own pocket to the lawyer for this
- Suggestion is that all of the original families pitch in a \$500 donation toward the \$2500 cost of the restoration.
- Once we have a Revenue Canada Tax No, we will be able to provide tax receipts for this donation?

Property taxes and assessed value of property

DISCUSSION:

- BC Assessment values our property at \$337,600
- per Keith, a realtors quick assessment would be \$350,000
- We need to get a firm assessment of the property and exactly what we could expect should we choose to sell the property.
- Keith spoke with Kerri Onken from the tax department at city hall. Kerri indicated it would be next to impossible to have the taxes waived. The only chance to do so would be to go directly to city council and plead our case and begin a process to do so.
- Another direction we could pursue would be to structure a deal with city council to provide SGCA with a grant that could offset the tax liability. We are on the agenda for a city council meeting on Feb 6, 2017. It would be a good idea to have a clear direction, mission statement and proposed solutions to provide council on this date.

We need to get this all done prior to tax due date of July 2, 2017

ACTION:

- Keith B, Phil C and Colleen will meet on Monday, January 30 2017 to draft a presentation to city council.
- This presentation will be emailed to all directors for their input and ideas
- Colleen will confirm the details of city council meeting and email invitation to all directors for distribution

Motion to have Tony to request an appraisal from the bank (Prospera Credit Union) - Keith H.

2nd: Tony R

All in Favor: Yes

Risk Management – fencing and signage for the old hall

DISCUSSION

- Apparently there have been students using the hall as a place to hang out and smoke. There has been speculation that they have been getting inside the building. No one present has seen any evidence of entry.
- There is a risk of liability if we don't do something to ensure public safety on our property.
- Keith B. priced fencing and indicated the cost to be about \$30 per month/ ongoing as well as a \$75 one-time delivery charge.

ACTION:

- Phil, Tony and Keith B. are going to view the property and building on Monday, January 30 2017. They are going to try and enter the building and inspect the security of it to ensure there is no unauthorized entry.
- Phil will have "no trespassing" signage made and will have it displayed on the hall
- Keith will contact the fencing company to have fencing installed around the hall that blocks unauthorized entry.

Presidents Report – Stave Falls Community Association Meeting on Dec 12/16

- Keith made a brief presentation to the assembly indicating what our purpose and objectives are. He pointed out that our two associations have differing purposes. Theirs is a focus on the school and it's re-opening and ours is to reinstate the old association (SGCA) and take ownership of our community asset (the hall and property) and use it for the communities benefit
- It is our stated intention that we find a way in the future to come together as one and work hand in hand. They agreed.

Development of a Mission Statement for SGCA

DISCUSSION:

Submissions of ideas were taken.

ACTION:

Colleen will draft a mission statement and email out to all directors for input and amendments

Membership Drive

DISCUSSION:

All directors of the organization along with other members can begin taking in new membership to the SGCA. We need to increase membership to allow us to make decisions regarding our community that are a true reflection of the community needs.

ACTION:

Colleen will draft a recruiting invitation and email it out to all directors for distribution.
Directors will use this invitation to increase membership.

SGCA – Bank Account

DISCUSSION/ACTION:

- Tony will contact the bank (Prospera Credit Union) to make an appointment to open a bank account
- \$150 was forwarded to our treasurer (Tony Reid) from Colleen Beland for current memberships paid

Revenue Canada Tax No:

DISCUSSION:

Val B is working on obtaining this. She estimates it will be the fall before we have it.

SGCA – Facebook and Email accounts

DISCUSSION:

Colleen has created a gmail account

Colleen waiting to create Facebook page until we have a mission statement and at least a small amount of content

SGCA – Meeting Schedule

DISCUSSION:

- it was agreed upon that a monthly meeting schedule will best suit our needs at this time.
- committees and special projects can set their own agendas and meeting dates

ACTION:

Motion to hold SGCA meetings on the first (1st) Monday of each month at 6:30pm
Location TBD – someone will find out if we can hold these meetings at the firehall

Motion to pass: Colleen B
2nd: Keith H
All in favour: Yes

SGCA – Constitution and bylaws need to be revamped

DISCUSSION:

We will need to set a meeting date specific to completing this task.

Each director should read through and come prepared to make recommendations on changes and updates

ACTION:

Date for this shall be discussed at a later date

Meeting adjourned: 8:17 pm

Attachments:

none