Stave Gardens Community Association (SGCA)

Meeting Minutes

Wednesday, November 4/2020, 32972 Cardinal Street, Mission BC

1. Call to Order: 6:50 pm

Directors in Attendance: Phil C., Birgit K., Roger C., Greg C., Colleen B.

2. Adoption of Previous Meeting Minutes:

General Meeting from: 2020/10/05

Motion: Colleen B 2nd: Birgit K. AIF: Yes

3. Update on Society Business:

Directors Insurance: This policy is paid up and inforce until April 17/2022

Mail Box: The mailbox is paid up until November 1/2021

4. Tree Management Bylaw 5970-2020 – Update

Along with the Steelhead Community Association, Phil, Tony and Colleen met with most of the councillors. The meetings went quite well and the feedback we got from them seemed to indicate they had similar concerns regarding the draft bylaw.

Although there seemed to be some indication that the bylaw would be redrafted with some serious consideration given to excluding rural residents from the permitting and reporting requirements there were no specific promises made.

It will be our obligation to remain vigilant with regard to this bylaw re-write and whether it addresses the issues that concern our community.

A mailout has been completed and the newspaper ad has been placed.

It was determined that we would be better served to continue to apply pressure to Mayor and Council to ensure the draft bylaw does not pass without more community engagement

5. Proposed Name Change for the Association

It is proposed that we change the name of our Association to align more with our stated mandates and objectives.

Per our constitution, we are a society that exists for the betterment of not only the Stave Falls area but the District of Mission as well. We should have a name that reflects that.

Some questions that arose are: what would be the cost to accomplish a name change; what would we change our name to?, would it be better to just do a DBA? Ie: SGCA/ DBA (doing business as) because there would likely be no cost to doing it that way.

Decision: we will table this topic until our next meeting for Jan/2021. In the interim, Phil will find out what the associated costs will be to accomplish this change.

Colleen will post in the Stave Falls page a "feeler" post to see what name folks would pick IF we were to make this change.

6. Neighborhood Watch

Discussion regarding putting energy and time into getting the neighborhood watch (NW) program in our area up and going. Per Birgit, there is still some significant interest in growing this program in the Stave Falls area.

Birgit will extend an invitation to NW organizers to come and do a presentation for us.

7. Open Discussion and New Topics

Raising funds for the day to day operations costs for the society

We do not want to use funds from the sale of the hall to pay for operational expenses for the society. Because of COVID, fundraising will be a bit of a challenge. We will look for creative ways to raise funds.

Large Scale Development in Stave Falls

We should perhaps look to have someone watch or attend all council meetings to see what's happening and report back to this committee. We will seek out someone who may be able to do this on an ongoing basis.

Supporting Local Small Business

We should invite local business owners to come out to our meetings and give a short presentation on what they do/sell.

We'd like to do this to feature local business and give a platform to help with community exposure.

8. Date of Next Meeting:

Wednesday, January 6/2021 at 6:30pm At the Steelhead Community Hall located at: 32972 Cardinal Street, Mission BC

9. Meeting Adjourned:

8pm