

CADBORO BAY RESIDENTS ASSOCIATION
Minutes of the Board of Directors

Date & Time: Feb. 14, 2011

Continued Feb. 21, 2011

Place: Goward House

Call to Order: Meeting was called to order at 7:10 pm by President Page

Present: 2/14/11: Rick Page, Elizabeth Borek, Irene Stewart, Dennis Moore, Jennifer Kay, Bill Dancer, Bob Furber, Eric Ochs, Anke Venema, Norm Mogensen, Dave Lynn, Colette Baty.

On 2/21/11: Jennifer Kay was unable to attend.

Guest Presentations:

2/14/11: Gordon O'Connor of Dogwood Initiative gave a short presentation outlining Dogwood's position on urban development and requested CBRA endorse Dogwood's demand for a moratorium on urban sprawl until a sustainability strategy is completed and until the CRD commits to adequately consult and accommodate indigenous nations.

2/14/11: Barbara Raponi, resident, gave a presentation outlining permitted uses of the Queenswood property in the zoning UVic is requesting, including relevant comparisons with existing permitted uses at both Queenswood and the UVic campus. She requested a show of hands from the audience to reflect agreement or disagreement to specific uses of Queenswood permitted in the zoning UVic is requesting and that the result of the show of hands be recorded. Her presentation is [attached](#). About 70 residents attended the meeting after being notified by a flyer distributed in the Queenswood area.

2/21/11: Brad Cunnin, representing Phil Pan, owner, 2531 Sinclair Road, advised of intention to develop the property. His presentation is [attached](#).

2/21/11: Harriet Graham, Friends of Queenswood, reviewed responses of the survey/show of hands at the 2/14/11 meeting and emphasized the relevant paragraph of a draft letter prepared by Barbara Raponi regarding Queenswood.

2/21/11: Maryl McCay, Resident re Queenswood. Her presentation is [attached](#).

Agenda: Approved. However formal prepared agenda superceded by time constraints and priority of UVic – Queenswood issue on 2/14. Agenda completed 2/21/11.

Minutes: Approved

President’s Report:

2/14/11: President Page reported he had met with Mayor Leonard

2/21/11: President Page said volunteers, including people not living in the community, are coming forward to offer assistance on negotiations with UVic because they are concerned.

He is attempting to contact the owners of 2700 Queenswood who are attempting to remove the property from the Heritage List.

Rob Phillips, Saanich Community Events Organizer, wants to take the Cadboro Bay Festival to a higher level.

The next meeting of the UVic Community Liaison meeting is in March.

Treasurer’s Report:

Action 2/14/11: Treasurer Furber to apply to Saanich for the grant to help finance Cadboro Bay Festival within the deadline.

2/21/11: The application (\$1,500 for Cadboro Bay Festival and \$500 for Weed Whackers) was submitted to Saanich but CBRA is required to re-submit.

Treasurer Furber told the board Weed Whackers could apply separately for a grant which would leave more funds available for other CBRA activities.

After a lengthy discussion it was agreed Directors Mogensen, Dancer and Moore would work with President Page to submit grants for the following activities:

Cadboro Bay Festival (Director Dancer)	\$1,250.00
New Bulletin Board (Director Moore)	250.00
Community Communications (Director Mogensen)	500.00

Committee Reports:

UVic. – Queenswood

Action 2/14/11: President Page to draft a letter to UVic outlining the position of the community for discussion and approval at a board meeting on Feb. 21. Copies of the approved letter to go to Mayor Leonard and all councilors.

2/21/11: After discussion and amendment of the draft letter prepared by President Page:

Motion: Director Baty moved the letter, as amended, be forwarded to David Turpin, Neil Connelly, Michele Cloghesy, Barbara Raponi and Friends of Queenswood.

Seconded by Secretary Borek

Motion Carried: All in Favor except as noted below.

Opposed: Bob Furber opposed on the basis he wants to delete the sentence “We can and we want to work with you to develop a plan.....Saanich.”

Copy of letter [attached](#).

Action 2/14/11: President Page to prepare a Special Newsletter to inform and update residents on the background and current status of the proposed rezoning process regarding the Queenswood property.

Motion 2/14/11: A board member (Mover in dispute) moved CBRA approach UVic to pay for the Queenswood Special Newsletter President Page will be writing to update and deliver to all CBRA members.

Seconded by Director Lynn.

During lively discussion President Page argued forcefully that CBRA ask UVic for financial assistance for the Special Newsletter/Leaflet and assured the board UVic will have no editorial control of the Newsletter. Secretary Borek objected to the motion on the basis that even the appearance of a conflict of interest, particularly at this sensitive time, is to the detriment of the residents association as well as the community.

Motion Carried:

In Favor: President Page, Past President Irene Stewart, Directors Moore, Ochs, Kay, Baty, Dancer, Lynn, Venema

Opposed: Secretary Borek, Treasurer Furber, Director Mogensen.

2/21/11: Motion: Secretary Borek moved to rescind the motion above which permits President Page to approach UVic to pay for the Queenswood Special Newsletter/Leaflet.

Seconded: Treasurer Furber

Motion Failed:

In Favor: Secretary Borek, Treasurer Furber, Director Mogensen

Opposed: President Page, Past President Stewart, Directors Baty, Moore, Dancer, Lynn, Ochs, Venema

21st Century Vision & Planning:

2/21/11: Secretary Borek reported about 50 people attended the January 20/11 meeting on Climate Change and Food Security. The meeting recruited 2 new members for CBRA and 4 renewals. Feedback sheets handed in after the meeting were positive. Attendees reported both belief and behavior changes.

Director Mogensen requested board approval to 1) post his reports on the walks and the Village on the CBRA website and 2) send an email invitation to the walks scheduled March 13 and 27 to all members on the CBRA email list. Board approved.

Director Mogensen reported he and Secretary Borek had met with Lorraine Love, BIA representative, to attempt to engage the BIA in planning the future of the Village.

Traffic Committee

Director Venema presented a copy of a letter to Saanich requesting a reduction in the speed limit on Tudor signed by the Captain of the Block Watch Carol Orom, Resident David Ferguson and herself. She reported Saanich is very receptive to creating a walking pathway along Tudor but is resisting a reduction of the speed limit.

A copy of the letter is [attached](#).

Director Venema will attend a Saanich Traffic Safety Committee meeting later this month.

SCAN

Director Baty attended the SCAN meeting on behalf of President Page. The SCAN minutes are available on the SCAN website.

Gyro Park

Director Moore reported there will be a public open house on March 2. Directors Moore and Mogensen, President Page and Resident Harry Drage have seen the new plan and were favorably impressed with the response to resident feedback given at the first meeting. Parking remains an issue.

Action Item: Notice of the public meeting to be posted on the web site.

Business Carried Forward

Mystic Vale: Tony Wakelin is meeting with UVic Restoration next week.

Newsletter: CBRA needs to put out one more Newsletter before the AGM in May. Treasurer Furber asked for articles. Suggestions included articles on traffic, the Walk & Talks, Queenswood, Mystic Vale.

Websites: There are currently two CBRA websites: the long standing non interactive website administered by Agnes Lynn and a recent interactive website introduced by Treasurer Furber. Director Lynn reported hits on the long standing CBRA website ranged between 6,800 – 10,000 per month. Treasurer Furber reported hits on the interactive website were in the order of 300.

Treasurer Furber proposed to let the interactive website lapse when renewal comes up in a few months. The Board agreed.

Haro Woods: We are waiting for the subject of attenuation tanks to come up at the CRD CALWMC meetings. Director Furber maintains the proposed attenuation tanks are not needed because the same result can be achieved by speeding up the pump.

It is critical to emphasize to both the CRD and Saanich the position of CBRA is that residents want **ALL** of Haro Woods to become a park.

2700 Queenswood: This should be coming to Council mid April. A large community presence at the Council meeting is important.

New Business:

All Candidates Meeting: Secretary Borek proposed the Board designate John Sawka organize the all candidates meeting. It is important to begin organizing as early as possible in order to assure preferred dates and venues. After discussion, the Board agreed.

Dogwood Request for Support: President Page said he could not support the letter as requested by Dogwood. Director Mogensen volunteered to draft a response President Page could support.

UVic Strategic Plan: Secretary Borek stated CBRA should consider submitting input to the UVic Strategic Plan because UVic is a very large presence in Cadboro Bay and whatever it does impacts the community. While CBRA does not wish to meddle in the internal affairs of UVic, residents have been crystal clear on some principles they value such as preservation of green space and these should be communicated to UVic

Two board members stated they have already submitted personal input to UVic.

President Page stated the deadline for submission is Feb. 28 and there is insufficient time to submit input. There was no support on the Board for a CBRA submission to the UVic Strategic Plan.

AGM: Board needs to decide on a speaker, venue and date no later than the next board meeting.

Volunteers:

The work load to deal with issues in Cadboro Bay currently exceeds the capacity of the Board. Accordingly there is a need to attract volunteers to take on some of the projects. Secretary Borek strongly recommends CBRA support activists, such as Barbara Raponi and David Ferguson, who take on activities and projects to the benefit of Cadboro Bay. Not only does it get the work done, it is a community building exercise.

Adjourned 10:40 p.m.

Next meeting March 14, 2011.