

KDKM - General Meeting

Thursday April 4, 2013 - 7:00 p.m.

Tolko Mill Office

820 Guy St

Kelowna, B.C.

Minutes

In attendance: Heather Rice, Lisa Masini, Will Smith, Sue Parfitt, Sepi Mashkuri, Kathy Sukkau, Brent Rogers, Colin Haines, Annette Lachaine

Action items highlighted

1. Adoption of the Agenda
Sepi asked that we add an update regarding the second crossing onto the agenda. A neighbour expressed concern that Mayor Gray has recently been promoting a second crossing which may cross into the North End.
2. Minutes of the Jan. 31, 2013 meeting
Will moved and Sepi seconded to accept the minutes from Jan. 31st
3. Treasurer's Report
Maria was not able to attend but informed Heather that the bank balance as of Feb. 28th is \$1,104.74.
4. Business Arising
 - 4.1 Update on the UBC North End Eco Project presentation on April 20th

Heather reminded that this project will be presented at the foot of Knox Mt. on **Sat. April 20th** between 1:00 and 4:00 pm. UBC has asked what our association would like to do at the event. We have replied that we will give a short talk of who we are and hope to hand out some information. It would be great if our postcard is ready for this event. There will be presentations, live music, drumming, food etc. We should help spread the word about this exciting event.

4.2 Pleasantvale Homes project next steps

The overall thoughts are that most people in the neighbourhood are not happy with the designs presented for this project. Sepi mentioned that she has sent an e-mail expressing her disappointment. Most people are concerned regarding the density of the project. The site could see an increase from about 60 residents currently to over 300. Traffic and parking are a huge concern with residents. Lisa commented that only one third of the project appears to be for low income housing, the rest is market value. Currently there is no builder or developer arranged for this project. Lisa suggested that we may support the variance being requested for the site but request a reduction in the overall density of the project. Colin expressed concerns that the market value portion of the project will end up as rental properties. We should be sure to pay attention as the project moves forward and continue to stay involved.

4.3 Website domain (KDKM.org) and updating

Lisa showed the work she has done to date on the website. She is still looking for more history of the association. Sue mentioned that currently, the site focuses on the North End. We should try to get some historical pictures of the area around Stockwell as well as downtown. Anyone with old pictures or interesting information on the history of areas with KDKM is encouraged to share them with Lisa. The logo has been modified and she will suggest a few more minor changes.

4.4 Update from Will re meeting with the Coalition of Resident Associations & next meeting April 20th

Will continues to attend these meetings on our behalf. He stated that Mark has a great deal of experience in working with cities and wants to assist all the associations to improve our relationship with the city. The initial 'White Paper' that was presented to the city has morphed into a 'Discussion Paper' which has been disseminated to all the associations for their review and input.

Heather mentioned that she has forwarded the paper to the executive and urges them to review. The executive should come to a consensus regarding the paper and forward our thoughts to the Coalition. The next meeting is set for April 20th so we should try to correspond with each other prior to that date and decide if we support the Discussion Paper. Heather will resend the document along with her thoughts.

4.5 Update from Heather re the Knox Mountain Park meeting

Heather attended a stakeholder meeting held by the City regarding upgrades being made to Knox Mountain Park. The city plans on continuing with upgrades to the trails, specifically working on the lower portion of the Apex trail. The trail will have post and rail fences erected to prevent people from walking straight up the hill. The undesignated trails will be decommissioned and rehabbed. Fencing will be erected in the parking area at the foot of the 'chutes' to prevent people from walking up the steep sensitive slopes. Signage will be placed at the bottom and top of the slope. It was suggested the stakeholder meeting be held semi-annually rather than annually. The meeting was well attended and a good information sharing session.

4.6 Post card Mock up

It is hoped that the post card can be completed prior to the April 20th Eco Project event at Knox Park. Heather will discuss with Saskia.

Other Business –

While discussing Pleasantvale, the topic of parking issues throughout our neighbourhoods came up. Annette suggested we invite a representative from the city to discuss parking issues and possible solutions. Heather will try to arrange for the next meeting.

April is "Clean Up Month" – It was agreed that the clean-up went well last year and was a worthwhile event. We will try and target the area around Stockwell and try to encourage more participation this year. Heather will arrange with the Regional District to get garbage bags and gloves. The clean-up day will be Sunday April 28th.

We did not discuss the second crossing concern. This will be placed on our agenda for the next meeting.

5. Date of Next Meeting – Our next meeting date is scheduled for Thursday May 30th.

6. Adjournment – meeting adjourned at 8:30