

QUAYSIDE COMMUNITY BOARD

Minutes – September 30th, 2009
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At Anchor Pointe – 7:30PM 1135 Quayside Dr Common Room

SPECIAL Guest Mark, Mia and Blajenka from River Market with an update STARTS AT 7:00PM

Theme for River Market is A Food Centric market for locals' first tourists second. Working with the Granville Island architect's, the color scheme is derived from the colors of fruit and vegetables. Working on creating a food experience on first floor and second floor services such as fitness or daycare. The River Market financed the repainting of the Toy soldier this summer, but is asking the City of New Westminster or the owners Fraser River Living Society to take over the maintenance from now on. The River Market is working on new roof and concrete floor to be done that will maintain heritage. Murals from original market were donated New Westminster Museum, NWSS and benches are placed outside of Paddlewheeler boathouse and farmers market. Market is holding a coloring contest so windows in market will be covered with pictures not just brown paper. The River Market is looking for food entrepreneurs. Hoping to open in the summer of 2010. Still participating in the community and want to be involved.

- A. CALL TO ORDER 7:40PM
- B. ADOPTION OF THE MINUTES FROM QCB MEETING: June 24th, 2009 MSC: YES
- C. BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES: See below info from Carolyn of City Planning Dept.
- **1. Plaza 88 report**: Allan away: Carolyn reports: The bus loop is tied to the retail phase so Translink won't relocate until the spans of the retail are complete (ie. floors of Safeway are finished, etc. The City has requested the intersection at Carnarvon/McInnis be pre-wired for a light. It would go in when deemed necessary.
- **2. Website:** Updated and work for the Quayside Festival Invoice \$183.75 MSC: YES. Members are encouraged to take a look at the pictures from the festival and other items on website.
- 3. Mailbox for west end of Quayside Drive: Matthew NTR
- 4. Strata Council List Update: Please advise any changes at your strata council.
- 5. Poplar Landing Development: Allan away: Discussion about proposing a community garden.
- 6. Urban Sustainability: Matthew: Last Month for Farmers Market all are encourage to go.
- **7. Off Leash Dogs:** Ted: Signage has been changed, as they were not able to enforce the fines. Have requested better lighting however city thinks this may not be advisable. Andrew from Parks is no longer working for the city. Attended the recent bylaw case in court, city was successful in the off leash case and fines were upheld. The attention has helped to improve the situation in the park so progress was made.
- **C. PRESIDENTS REPORT:** James: Attended city council to report on the Quayside Festival success. Met with Ken Lee regarding LED lights for the boardwalk and discussed with the electrical department at city hall. It was recommended that he approach the Mayor's office for direction once specs are improved. Attended CTV's block party huge success. Encourage everyone to take in Hyack Zest of New West.
- **D. TREASURER'S REPORT:** Maureen: July Balance \$5,767.14 August \$5,171.92 Final accounting to be completed for festival. Raffle income \$700.00 for Royal City Musical MSC: YES
- **E. NEW BUSINESS:**
- 1. Westminster Pier Park: Approved and funded should be ready 2011
- **2. Quayside Board boundaries:** Discussion about overlap in boundaries with the Downtown Residents As. Request for DRA to share this area.
- **3.** Quayside Community Board Bylaw review: If you have any suggested changes to the bylaws need to be submitted by December 1, 2009. Bylaws are on the website.
- F. COMMITTEE REPORTS AND APPOINTMENTS:

- 1. Special events committee: Quayside Festival and Sale Summary: Festival was a bigger success than last year. It was estimated that from 5,000 to 10,000 people attended throughout the day. Lions club sold more hotdogs than last year there were more city departments on site. The two bands were well received. There were 105 tables and spaces at this year's event. We had two sponsors New Westminster Savings and River Market. 29 raffle prizes helped raise \$700.00 for the Royal City Musical Theatre Society that was approved for delivery. The final P&L will be completed. Special thanks to the many volunteers that showed up on Friday and Saturday for set up and take down it was fantastic how many helped. The set up and teardown was done in record time. The donation of items to charity at the end of the day needs further consideration next year as we had some garbage left behind that the charity did not want. The support by the Record Newspaper with the insert (designed by STC) helped to increase attendance at this year's event.
- 2. Traffic, Boardwalk & Gateway Committee: Matthew: bus stop is being moved around.
- 3. Community Policing: Matthew: Make sure to send concerns in so they can be addressed.
- **4. Fraser River Discovery Center:** Celina: Lots happening great exposure over the summer. The visitor's center fielded lots of questions regarding the market. Display on now is birds of Prey. Look for Artists on the River. Still looking for more volunteers. Store is open. They have an upstairs gallery area available for rent up to 150 people, catering in is required but a small kitchen is available. Celina will bring admission coupons to the next meeting. Gala fundraising dinner is coming up.
- **5. Train Report:** Brian need to get rest of letters out, rail companies reports not on time, draft a petition revamping noise, complaint line not working well. Discussions about the train noise.
- H. STRATA REPORTS: Legend: NTR = Nothing to report / NIA = Not in attendance

Anchor Pointe: NTR Quayside Board thanked Valerie and asked that this be expressed to the owners and residents of Anchor Pointe for allowing us to hold our meetings here. **Dockside**: Some repairs on going. **Excelsior**: Minor repairs. **Laguna Landing**: AGM held outer gate to visitors parking to be installed as homeless people are living in parkade. Stomp poster distributed. **Lido**: NTR **QuayWest**: Painting complete. **Quayside Terrace**: NTR **Rialto**: NTR **Promenade**: New maintenance staff hired. Discussions about pedestrian bridge ongoing. Looking at pet restrictions. **Riverbend Co-op**: NTR **Riviera**: Break in – a person was followed into the building then let others in and they broke into a condo. Owners need to wait until the door locks behind them to avoid this happening. **Tiffany Shores**: Looking for information on under padding for hardwood floors. **Tower I**: All going well. Information for Keyless entry provided. **Tower II**: painting of carports has been done with some challenges from CN. **Murano**: Crane light and cameras for a movie being considered. Lagoon committee says lots of stuff being thrown in the lagoons. Members are asked to remind owners & visitors that this causes serious problems for the fish.

Westport: Fire alarm compliancy discussion regarding fire evacuation alarms and lack of attention by residents. **Westminster Landing Co-op**: NTR **Special Guest Q:** NTR

I. CORRESPONDENCE RECEIVED:

Chris re: city of New Westminster application to rezone toxic waterfront as a park

M&M – Queensborough resident and the location of the proposed pedestrian bridge & waste disposal Ann re: safety of the McInnis overpass from the highrise building balconies and no response from city Peter Julian MP request participation in the 2010 community calendar

Sylvia re: Thanks for the work we do and the purchase of a condo as a result

Margaret re: Rail yard importance, the use of the Fraser River for commerce & dredging required.

Linda re: rail magnets and other important issues at the Quay

Max re: blocked entrance to IGA mall as a result of the construction in Columbia Square

Massey Theatre Celebration of 60 years on October 24th

Gary re: City of New West 2010 budget survey online till 29th www.newwestcity.ca

Hutsons re: Save The Burr Theatre meeting on September 30th – Galbraith House

J. MOTION TO ADJOURN MSC:

Next meeting: October 28th, 2009 7:30PM

Plaza 88: As discussed, the bus loop is tied to the retail phase. Translink won't relocate until the spans of the retail are complete (ie. floors of Safeway are finished, etc.). The City has requested the intersection at Carnarvon/McInnis be pre-wired for a light. It would go in when deemed necessary. I've attached the preliminary drawings for the McInnis overpass (which is tied to the retail phase also). The final design is not complete. For more information on this the best person to contact is Hardeep Maghera (hmaghera@newwestcity.ca). They don't have a construction schedule yet, but it is possible that there could a temporary partial closure/closure of McInnis during construction.

Hyack Square: Fences like those at the Eighth St. Skytrain Station (wrought iron style) will be used for behind the stairs.

Esplanade Repairs: Engineering is currently going out to tender for the work on the pier. They will have a better idea of dates once the tenders are received, however they are hoping to start as soon as possible. Catalin Dobrescu (CDobrescu@newwestcity.ca) will keep you informed as he finds out more information. Repainting the fences/lights is done every 8-10 years. The last time it was done was in 2003/2004. The paint is supposed to have a 8-10 year life span, however the birds are quite hard on it! They are expected to be pressure washed next year. The pressure washing on the railing that was going on in the spring was shut down by an outside agency, as they believed the fish could be hurt by contamination from the work. Parks has worked with the various agencies and they expect to finish the work in the fall.

Quayside Temp. Dog Area: Andrew Banks (Parks) will try and have his crews there to lay the gravel within the next 3 weeks.

Westminster Pier: As the park planning proceeds (rezoning/ocp amendment are just going through Council now), consultation of park design with city residents/committees/associations will occur- including Quayside Community Board/Downtown Residents' Association, etc. We did get some great feed back at the Downtown parks planning workshop held in May for Muni Evers, Albert Crescent and Westminster Pier Park

(http://www.newwestcity.ca/cityhall/Leg_Info/Electronic_Packages/2009/0601_Jun1/CW/Reports/cw11.pdf). The links for the rezoning/ocp amendment reports that went to Council last Monday are Item 2 in the link below

http://www.newwestcity.ca/cityhall/Leg_Info/Electronic_Packages/2009/0622_Jun22/CW/Agen_das/CW_2009_JUN_22_AGENDA.pdf

Poplar Landing: The resolution from Council regarding Poplar Landing was for staff proceed with the review of the project and bring to Council an updated report on the feasibility of building non-market affordable housing and the development of a park at Poplar Landing site. Barry Waitt continues to be the planner on this, and he'll be the one working on the report (bwaitt@newwestcity.ca). He doesn't have any new information at this point.

Downtown/Queensborough Pedestrian Bridge: I've forwarded the ferry idea to Roger Emanuels and Lisa Spitale, as well as your recommendation that it should be located further down the Esplanade, near Muni Evers.

Carolyn