



QUAYSIDE COMMUNITY BOARD

Meeting Notes

March 27, 2024

Meeting Location: Anchor Pointe, 1135 Quayside Drive

In attendance: Naomi (Anchor Pointe), David (Rialto), Marcine (Westport), Karen (Dockside), Maureen (Laguna Landing), Reid (Laguna Landing), Patti (Quaywest), Marie (Anchor Pointe), Maureen (Laguna Landing), Kendra (Tower 2), Roberta (Promenade), Barb (Lido), Kevin (Quaywest)

Karen Tomkins chaired the meeting and called to order at 7:03 pm.

It was agreed that the notes from the January meeting are in order and may be posted to the QCB website.

Report from the City

Ruby sent her regrets (and also mentioned at the last meeting that she would be absent this month.) Karen will check with Ruby on the following:

- It was mentioned at the meeting that Ruby were involved in an initiative related to helping seniors stay in their homes for as long as possible. The Board felt this very worthwhile and is interested in more details.
- We would like confirmation on when boardwalk repairs will commence.
- It was noted that some lighting repairs have been taking place and at times, it has been very dark on Quayside Drive as a result of eight lights being out at night. We would like an update as well as consideration being given in future to doing the work in a way that will not result in such a 'blackout' in the evenings/overnight.

Karen reported that Erika Mashig (Manager, Parks/Open Space Planning with the City) and Sylvain Martel (arborist) from the City would like to meet with the Board and have tentatively confirmed availability for May 29th. It was agreed that we would welcome their attendance. Karen will advise them accordingly.
Update: attendance now confirmed for our May meeting.

The next Resident's Association meeting is scheduled for April 23rd. Kendra has agreed to be an alternate if Bruce is unable to attend.

Update: Subsequent to the meeting, Bruce indicated that he will not be able to attend and further, that he had not found the recent meetings worthwhile and hopes Kendra will have a more positive experience.

Treasurer's Report

Maureen advised as follows:

- Tiffany Shores has not paid. Maureen has followed up with Enzo.
- Q and Murano have not paid. Q has never had a representative, although they did have a contact at one time.
- Deposits for membership have been received, total \$2,113
- Maureen transferred \$1000 into savings
- \$22.73 interest for last two months
- Current balance \$10,640.30

Other Business

Hyack Festival – the Board received an email from Cathy Lawrence looking for volunteers and support. Maureen has advised that we are willing to circulate information and put up posters.

Eli Report – Bonnie-Lee had confirmed shortly after the last meeting that Thomas Beattie would be willing to meet with the Board. However, the email was missed when checking the QCB mailbox. It was agreed that we would be interested in meeting with him. Karen will invite him to the May meeting. *Update: Thomas has confirmed that he is available to attend and describe the services that he is able to offer.*

Strata Updates

There were no strata updates.

Committee Updates

Contracting:

- Marcine noted that she and Naomi have been looking into shared costs for a security guard, waste management contracts, and the possibility of getting a community bin for discard unwanted items.

Community Engagement / Social Media:

- Kendra attended the Downtown Business Improvement Association AGM. There were several business owners in attendance together with elected officials. Kendra expressed how happy we are to be included and that we want to build a relationship in view of the proximity of the Quay to downtown.
- Kendra has done a few promoted posts, started an Instagram account and is working to launch a newsletter in April.
- While two potential providers based in New Westminster indicated building our new site would be too small a job for them, Kendra got a great quote from a third (Whiteshirt Design) at a cost of \$750-\$1,000, but only for the website, not design. The quote would include training for Kendra and other(s) on how to make updates to the website once it has been launched. There will be monthly hosting costs.
- Kendra spoke with a graphic designer who has done a lot of local work and she has quoted a cost of \$750 to deliver a total new brand design/colour/graphics.
- The Board confirmed approval for Kendra to proceed and spend up to \$1,750.
- Kendra also advised that she had met with an artist who is part of a collective, living on Quayside Drive and interested in exploring a public art piece for our community. She will meet with her to get a better sense of her vision and funding requirements.

Community Meeting

- it was agreed that we will work towards hosting a Community Meeting in the fall. This could include guest speakers (including the Mayor) and any other activities as determined. It was suggested that we invite Chief Rhonda Larrabee of the Qayqayt First Nation to deliver a welcome.
- Karen will take the lead and Barb has offered to assist.

Bylaws Review

- David has reviewed the bylaws and is concerned that our existing bylaws could do real damage.
- David has spent a few hours re-writing the by-laws which he is proposing as a rough draft. Kendra agreed that she would read them and Kevin also agreed to assist with review.

Safety & Wellbeing

- Barb indicated that consideration is being given to sending a letter to various stakeholders such as fire, police, senior services, property managers, and our own stratas regarding practices in place to help safety and wellbeing.
- Some suggestions include are more social activities, and cameras in garages.
- Kendra indicated the City has done some work around this and suggested John Stark (social planner) as a potential resource.
- Pam will share information on a plan that Riversky is developing following an actual fire. Kevin and Patti also agreed to share information.

Next Meeting Date

The next meeting will be on May 29th. Karen will be out of town so a volunteer will be needed to Chair, but Karen will prepare an agenda and issue a meeting invitation prior to leaving town in early May.

The meeting adjourned at approximately 8:40 pm.

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