

## Corcan-Meadowood Residents' Association

### Minutes of Regular Meeting Held Wednesday, December 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2014 at 1670 Meadowood Way, Qualicum Beach

**Attendees:** Elaine Peligren, Bob Donald, Ken Golemba, Alf Jablonski, Kathy Miller, Annie Donald, Tim Peligren

**Regrets:** Gerry Anderson, Diane Anderson

**Guests:** David Carter, Vivien Carter, Rob Roberts, Cindy Roberts, Dwayne Miller

**Call to Order:** Meeting was called to order at 6:11 p.m.

**Approval of Agenda:**

Bob Donald moved to approve the Agenda, seconded by Alf Jablonski, Carried

**Approval of Previous Minutes:**

Tim Peligren moved to approve the previous minutes, seconded by Ken Golemba, Carried.

**Treasurer's Report:**

No updated current report, due to absence of Treasurer. The latest Bank reconciliation will not be available until after next statement cut-off Dec. 5<sup>th</sup>, 2014.

**Highway Access Report:**

On-going collection of promised donations to the Highway Access project is slower at this time of year. Items are being gathered for the giant Spring Fundraising Sale with all proceeds going directly to the Highway Access Engineering Study fund. Residents are encouraged to drop saleable goods off at 1625 Meadowood Way during regular business hours (9:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.) weekdays. For large items or bulk contributions, please call (250) 752-7454 to make arrangements for pick-up or drop-off at a designated storage site.

Motion was made by Annie Donald, seconded by Tim Peligren, to upgrade the sign at the bottom of Corcan Rd. at Dorman to advertise our Spring Fundraising Sale – Carried.

**Park Progress & Community Centre:**

Alf Jablonski reported the Parents' Pavilion is progressing, with building anticipated to be completed soon. The construction was temporarily delayed until this coming weekend, as all parties were not able to coordinate participation until that time, as well as minor materials delays.

Great news came recently in the form of a Grant being awarded by Coastal Community Credit Union in the amount of \$3,000. specifically for funding of the Parent's Pavilion at Meadowood Community Park. We are elated and very grateful for this beneficial support through their "Building Healthier Communities Fund". This new partnership and sponsorship by Coastal Community Credit Union is a very positive step forward to building a meaningful relationship within our community. We encourage folks to visit "[cccu.ca](http://cccu.ca)" to take a closer look at their products and services, and to support a local organization that bolsters our community. There will be a presentation of funds in media's presence in the near future.

The Community Center project, of obtaining unused School Portables as a temporary Community Hall for our Meadowood Park, is being undertaken jointly between the Regional District of Nanaimo, School District #69 and the C.M.R.A. Once the parameters, logistics and costing have been worked out, we will be in a position to relay further details. At the moment, we do not have any dates for transfer & set-up of these units, other than it could be sometime in 2015. This is such a terrific opportunity to have a center for gathering, multi-type programs, events and facility rental availability - close to home, within the community. Our gratitude goes to all the stake-holder participants (R.D.N., S.D. #69 & C.M.R.A.) who worked so well together to bring this about.

### Special Events (Halloween/Canada Day):

Kathy Miller reported she has contacted several Entertainment Acts and categories in preparation for the 2015 Canada Day event.

Motion was made by Tim Peligren, to approve the booking fees for the Clowns' Act, seconded by Elaine Peligren, Carried. Various music acts have been researched, many of which are beyond our budget. Alternate musicians are being investigated for their availability. More details will be discussed at next meeting.

Motion made by Annie Donald, seconded by Elaine Peligren, to approve purchase (approx. \$20.) of 6 collapsible garbage/recycling bins to be used at our events, Carried.

### Neighbourhood Emergency Preparedness:

Annie Donald reported the Neighbourhood Pod project will be implemented early in 2015 with meetings commencing in January, 2015.

### Fundraising:

Elaine Peligren reported we need to generate a Membership Drive early in the New Year, as this is crucial to continuation of many of our programs. Residents are encouraged to pay their 2014-2015 membership fees of \$10. per household, as soon as possible, to the C.M.R.A. 1625 Meadowood Way, Qualicum Beach, B.C. V9K 2S3. It will be important to include your name(s), complete address and e-mail with your membership, in order to keep accurate records of your paid-up dues. Our sincere thanks to all those folks who have already paid, however, we have a shortfall of approximately 80% of the residences in the area. Our membership dues are quite reasonable and help to fund the special events, such a Canada Day and Halloween, within the Community. We could really use everyone's participation and help.

The big initiative for the Spring Fundraising Sale was outlined with details under the Highway Access section.

### Media & Communications:

Media will be contacted to attend the presentation ceremony of the Coastal Community Credit Union Grant for the Parents' Pavilion at Meadowood Community Park.

### Charity & Gaming Licenses:

Ken Golemba advised the C.R.A. has not reached a final decision with our application. We may need to provide further specific details in order to satisfy their requirements. Further discussions to this end will take place at our next special committee meeting.

### Old Business: *Annual Newsletter & Membership Dues:*

In previous discussions regarding mailing out an Annual Newsletter, this culminated with a suggestion that we could combine this initiative with a request for membership dues. We will check out costs of this project to bring to the next meeting.

### New Business: *School Portables for our Community Park:*

Details of latest developments have been outlined under Park Progress & Community Centre. Further information will be available as progress continues and decisions become known.

### Next Meeting Date:

Wednesday, January 21<sup>st</sup>, 2015 at 6:30 p.m. at 1670 Meadowood Way, Qualicum Beach

### Meeting Adjourned:

Bob Donald moved to adjourn meeting at 7:34 p.m., seconded by Alf Jablonski, Carried