## Meeting Minutes - Corcan -Meadowood Residents' Association, September 2, 2009

Meeting convened at 7:10 p.m.

In attendance: Elaine Peligren, President Gerry Anderson, Vice President Diane Anderson, Treasurer Ozzie Jimmo, Information Officer Ramona Jones, Secretary Sylvia Jimmo, resident Trish Curtin, resident Dianne Magor, resident Alf Jablonski, resident Betty Jablonski, resident Jutte Mainland, resident

This was the fourth meeting of our C.M.R.A.. Last one was held August 19, 2009. Procedure for taking minutes was reviewed. These will be brought to the following meeting and signed off by the president, after review. Motion brought to the floor and seconded. **Ramona to action.** 

Treasurer's report: We have \$575.00 in the bank, and have collected \$335.00 in membership fees. Trish Curtin will make a \$500 donation to our association. Elaine has registered association as a non profit society for a cost of \$100 and spent another \$186 on postage. This \$286 is her donation to the association. Trish will find out if these donations are tax deductible. Diane will deposit cash and cheques and then we will have list of association members. Stamp to be ordered from bank, for deposit only. **Diane to action** 

Elaine will set up data sheet using information from questionnaires so we can do mass mail outs. Elaine's staff will post comments from surveys on website. So far, we have about 60 back and responses are positive. **Candace and Lisa to action** 

New poster needs to go up on all mail boxes advertising BBQ. Sylvia will design that, and posters should go up by September 4. Alf and Betty will post these. Sylvia, Alf and Betty to action

Our website is up and running! Big thanks to Carl Sorensen, who has allowed us to use his server for our address. Bylaws need to be posted on the website and comments circulated, **Dave to action** 

Plans for Sunday BBQ were discussed. As a non profit association, we should be accepting money for food on a donation basis only, according to Dianne Magor, director of PacificCare. Dianne offered to share her knowledge of non profit society operation as required. **Dianne to action** 

Elaine has approached Quality Foods for food items. QF has asked that a written request be submitted, asking for specific items. Chris has no problem with food brought to his premises. The BBQ should bring extra traffic to the Meadowood store. **Elaine to action** 

Tables, BBQ's, chairs, ice machine, tent and garbage bags will be supplied. **Attention: Elaine, Trish, Ozzie, Diane and Dianne, Alf and Betty.** 

Elaine has obtained a letter from Carol Mason, Chief Administrative Officer for the Regional District of Nanaimo supporting freeway access. Our group should make a presentation at an RDN meeting.

One medical incident has already occurred that was prolonged because the emergency gate to the freeway was not accessible. We have a letter from the family affected. We need a letter of support from ambulance personnel. Steve Williamson, ambulance driver in the village will be contacted. **Ozzie to action** 

Trish has contacted Dave Edgar at the Ministry of Highways and requested a traffic count at 19A and Baylis. He has not agreed to this yet. Elaine intends to contact news reporter, Bruce Williams to publicize our issue. **Elaine to action** 

There are other ways to gather community support. Wayne Mossman, one of our residents has suggested using an online petition, <u>http://www.petitiononline.com/vets8/</u> Another is to contact the ombudsman. Director of Area F, Lou Biggemann, who should be informed that this is an election issue, worthy of some attention. **Tim Peligren to talk to Lou Biggemann** 

Cost documentation of Hwy access vs. alternatives required. How much would highway access cost, vs. medical costs associated with delayed admission to hospital due to route problems?

Sylvia moved to adjourn meeting and Ozzie seconded motion.

Meeting adjourned at 8:30 p.m.