



Minutes NOCA Board Meeting, February 15, 2016

Present

Alexia Penny
Matt Baillie
Barbara Schreiber
Joy Adams Bauer
Katarina Litva

Regrets

Michele Hillier
Ian Knipe

1. **Call to Order** – the meeting was called to order by Alexia Penny at 7 p.m.
2. **Approval of agenda** – The agenda was approved as amended. Moved by, Matt Baillie, Seconded by Barbara Schreiber, CARRIED.
3. **Minutes from January 18, 2016** – The minutes were approved as circulated. Moved by Barbara Schreiber, Seconded by Katarina Litva, CARRIED.
4. **Director's Reports** – Barbara reported that our current balance is \$826.72
5. **Discussion Items**
 - **Malaspina Gardens tour**– Confirmed for 3:30 pm on February 19. Hilary (Administrator) has agreed to tour the Board and Chris Sholberg through the building.
 - **Adding the odd-numbered (south) side of Elizabeth Street to our area** – Joy agreed to contact Bruce Anderson, Manager of Planning for the City of Nanaimo to let him know the seven residents have written us a letter requesting their side of the street be added to our boundaries. This request makes geographical and logical sense and we hope the city has no objection. Joy will also contact Fred Taylor of the Western Community Association to let him know of the request.
 - **AGM Speaker** - Matt agreed to contact Karen Lindsay about speaking on the topic of emergency preparedness at our AGM.
 - **Rod Davison's response to letter re parking issues** –Alexia reported that she has

received a response from Rod which notes that he has asked the traffic engineering department to review parking restrictions in the Old City Quarter. The city is currently conducting an occupancy study which will be the basis for any changes. **Alexia will write a follow up letter and circulate it to the Board for approval.**

- Urban Farm Faire preparation – date set for Saturday, May 14 from 12 noon to 3 pm.

- Michele to make piñata
- Barb to donate veggie starts and contact the city to pay the rental fee and get the key to the park
- Matt to donate vegan, GF brownies and bring the NOCA tent
- Katarina to do face-painting and design the poster. She will also check into Thrifty Foods “Double-Up Program”
- Joy to staff the NOCA table
- Alexia will check with Doug about his tents and tables and provide the burrito pie

TABLES – Matt will contact Rose the mason bee lady, and the poultry collective

- Ian will contact the Nanaimo Recycling Exchange (NRE)
- Alexia will contact Nanaimo and Area Land Trust (NALT) & Jen Skogland
- Barb will contact the Backyard Naturalist
- Alexia will submit the details to the community section of the Nanaimo Bulletin

6. Adjournment – the meeting adjourned at 8:30 p.m.

7. Next meeting – Monday, March 21, 7 pm at Harris House Health Clinic.