



NOCA Board Meeting, March 18, 2019 – MINUTES

Attendance:

Gillian Shadlock	Joy Adams Bauer
Ian Knipe	Eve Reinarz
Penny MacMillian	Brian Booth
Anna Mosolov	Margot Thomaidis

Guests: Myra Thomson & Al Britton

Call to Order– by Joy at 7pm.

Approval of agenda – the agenda was approved as circulated, on a motion by Joy Adams Bauer, seconded by Ian Knipe.

TOPIC: *Pawson Park washrooms and key agreement.*

Myra Thompson and **Al Britton (City of Nanaimo)** spoke about the history and reasons for locking the washrooms at Pawson Park, discussion about keys: security, schedules, plans, key deposit and key holder(s). Group’s responsibility around park use; City’s responsibility for maintenance of the washrooms. Al suggested a “partners in parks” arrangement with the Pawson Park committee. Myra will take the idea to the committee and be in touch.

Directors’ updates:

Treasurer’s Report – Penny MacMillian – 2 new memberships received. \$895.17 in the bank account.

388 Machleary work group – Ian reported that NOCA will write a letter to the city in response to the Molnar Group’s application. He updated the Board on plans for April 28 in Pawson Park, the surveys, city council engagement. Anna and Margot will set up a NOCA group on Facebook. We will use this Facebook group as another communication tool.

Nanaimo Network of Neighbours Meeting update – Anna reported that many neighbourhood associations use social media to get the word out about their activities, etc. There may be an opportunity for NOCA to work with the Old City Neighbourhood News page Facebook. Anna will contact Colleen Parsley who is the administrator of the page.

Tactical urbanism – Kelsea and Anna reported that we have missed the deadline to apply via the Nanaimo Foundation. However, we still plan to do some tactical urbanism events in the summer (clean up Cappy Yates Park, coffee on the corner, etc.).

Discussion items

Use of social media to get the word out – We will start with the NOCA group on Facebook and test it as a way to get word out about 388 Machleary. Anna and Margot will be the administrators.

Next meetings

May 20

June 17

July 15

August 19

September 16

October 21 – AGM