

NOCA Board Meeting Minutes January 17, 2021

In attendance: Joy Adams Bauer, Erin Chaba, Dianne Caldwell-Demon, Shelley Serebrin, Anna Moslov, and Mayta Ryn

Regrets: Barbara Schreiber

President Joy Adams Bauer called the meeting to order at 7:02 pm.

The **Agenda**, with the amendment of adding “456 Milton Street” and “Nanaimo Neighbourhood Network and the Organizational Structure Review,” was approved on a motion by Dianne Caldwell-Demon and seconded by Erin Chaba, CARRIED.

The **Minutes** from the last meeting on November 15th, 2021 as circulated were approved on a motion by Joy Adams Bauer and seconded by Erin Chaba, CARRIED.

Treasurer’s Report: Bank Balance is \$1,102 — with \$40 in new membership dues, and a \$35 donation to be deposited.

456 Milton Street Public Hearing: January 20th postponed until February 17th or 24th. Mayta will attend as an individual to support the variances requested but oppose the design in a character neighbourhood. Will point out to Council that not considering design until a building permit is applied for is bad process.

Nanaimo Neighbourhood Network and the Organizational Review:

The Organizational Review Report was approved by City Council at the December 20th meeting. In the final meeting of the Nanaimo Neighbourhood Network before the City Council meeting, discussion revealed that all of the neighbourhood associations except three supported the organizational requirements in the report. Discussion on the topic centred on whether the organizational requirements were required for accountability or inhibited community action. Conclusion left to individual members.

Climate Change Actions as a Neighbourhood: Shelley Serebrin presented a list of possible climate change actions that could be taken by NOCA and members of the community. She is also creating a survey to be taken by members on their choice of possible actions.

Social Media Update: Erin Chaba shared her latest proposed content for our Instagram page. The sample of before and after photos of homes and businesses in the neighbourhood impressed members with her choices and her use of the Nanaimo Archives. She will follow up by contacting residents for an interview about their homes.

Next Meeting: Monday, February 21st at 7 pm.

Meeting Adjourned