



**Minutes NOCA Annual General Meeting
October 19, 2020
Meeting held via Zoom due to worldwide pandemic**

Board Members Present

Joy Adams Bauer (President), Ian Knipe (Vice-President), Anna Mosolov (Director), Barbara Schreiber (Treasurer), Diane Caldwell-Demon (secretary)

Board Members Absent

Eve Reinarz (Director)

In addition to the above members of the Board, 9 individuals were present.

The meeting was called to order at 7 pm by President Joy Adams Bauer who offered words of welcome and thanked Diane Caldwell-Demon for serving as our Zoom host.

1. **Approval of agenda** – Motion to approve the agenda. Moved by Joy Adams Bauer, Seconded by Anna Mosolov, CARRIED.
2. **Approval of minutes from AGM held on October 21, 2019** – Motion to approve the minutes from the 2019 AGM held on October 21, 2019. Moved by Diane Caldwell-Demon, Seconded by Doug Creba, CARRIED.
3. **Financial Report** – Joy Adams Bauer presented the financial report for 2019/2020.
Opening balance = \$724.12
Closing balance = \$ 307.22

Expenses of \$242.04 (website, flyers for 388 Machleary)
Revenue of \$737 (membership dues)

Motion to approve the financial report. Moved by Barbara Schreiber, Seconded by Ian Knipe, CARRIED.

4. **President's Report – Joy Adams Bauer**

Joy gave an overview of activities in the old city over the past year.

- Early in the year, the Board met with a representative from the Old City Quarter Business Association to discuss social disorder in the old city quarter. City Council provided funding to the Old City Quarter Business Assoc. for a 6 month pilot project (ending Dec 31, 2020) that funded security patrols, street cleanup and a Community Connect hotline for issues in the OCQ.
- The Nanaimo Affordable Housing Society is proposing two new rental buildings to replace five small-walk up apartment buildings on Prideaux St. (close to Comox Road).
- A 3-storey, 12 unit rental apartment building will be built at 227 Prideaux St. (next to the BC Ambulance station).
- A portion of the Community Services Building is being used as a Covid-19 Emergency Response Shelter (35 spaces) for the homeless in our community.
- An application for a Development Permit has been made for the property at 388 Machleary St. for a 149 unit seniors congregate housing development. NOCA provided input into the design.
- A development firm based in Vancouver (Omicron) is proposing to build a multi-unit residential building on the corner of Wallace and Wentworth Streets. They are committed to consulting with the neighbourhood.
- BC Housing plans to build a supportive housing development (approximately 50 units) for people experiencing homelessness at 285 Prideaux St. The current Community Services building would be demolished (tentatively in 2021) and the new units would open in 2022.
- Pawson Park had a successful year with five gardeners producing plots of vegetables. Nanaimo Community Gardens provided veggie starters in both the spring and the fall.

5. **Election of new board members** – the following members of the association put their names forward to serve as members of the Board:

Joy Adams Bauer

Anna Mosolov

Diane Caldwell-Demmon

Barbara Schreiber

Myra Ryn

Chelsea Challis

Motion to accept the following as the NOCA Board of Directors for the 2020/2021 year.

Moved by Ian Knipe, Seconded by Janet Wright, CARRIED.

6. **Guest speakers –Reimagine Nanaimo:** Joy Adams Bauer introduced Lisa Bhopalsingh, Manager of Community Planning, City of Nanaimo, and Chris Sholberg, Community/Heritage Planner, City of Nanaimo. Lisa gave an overview of the Reimagine Nanaimo initiative currently taking place. Reimagine Nanaimo, asks the question, “what will our city be like in 20 years”? It involves the refresh of the Official Community Plan and a number of other long term plans.

The meeting was adjourned at 8 pm.