**Quadra Cedar Hill Community Association**

**General Meeting**

**Cedar Hill Rec Centre, Seniors Wing**

**7:00 – 9:00 pm, Tuesday, May 22, 2018**

 **Draft MINUTES**

Minutes prepared by Peter Haddon.

1. **Approval of agenda** – moved - Bob Trotter and seconded - Kim Bartlett. Passed.
2. **Approval of AGM minutes of March 27th 2018** – moved - John Arduini, seconded - Peter Haddon. Passed.
3. **Treasurer’s report – Art Beck:** Art reported as follows:

Short Term Funds Available $7167.

Total receipts 2010.

Total disbursements  3028.

Net for the Period  (1018)

Saanich annual operating grant expected shortly. Distributed funds held from Music in the Park per Margret Bachmann’s instructions. Approval of the Treasurer’s report moved – Art Beck seconded – Peter Haddon. Passed.

1. **Thank You and Best Wishes to Shawn Newby** – Susan Haddon advised the attendees that our Vice President, Shawn Newby has accepted a position to manage the Tru-Value store on Quadra Island. Shawn has resigned his position at VP of QCHCA. Shawn is Chair of SCAN and co-founder of the Sunday Farmer’s Market. QCHCA will miss Shawn’s great sense of fun, energy and for all the work he has undertaken for our association. QCHCA wishes Shawn every success in his new position.
2. **Update on the Sunday Farmer’s market** – Shawn Newby. The Market will start on July 8th for a total of 8 Sundays. Farmers, brewers, distillers and many other vendors have signed up for this year. The market is held in the Braefoot Lacrosse box at Braefoot Park on McKenzie. Volunteers welcome.Posters available.
3. **Music In The Park**– Chris Bartlett and Karen Dearborne. This will be the 12th MIP event. QCHCA is the sponsor for the two events on August 7th and 14th at Rutledge Park. Posters are now available from Chris. Volunteers are needed for the set-up and take down. Please contact Chris or Karen.
4. **Update for Cedar Hill Arts and Rec. Centre** – Carole Ireland: The signage at the centre has been changed to include ‘Arts’. Rotating exhibits of artwork from students has been very successful. Great interest in the summer programs registration. Pro-Am golf tornament was organized by the CH Golf Club last weekend. The ‘Dismount’ biking signs have been replaced with new signs that allow bike transit on the Chip Trail and prohibit transit on the golf course trails. Concerns expressed for dangerous biking on the steep hill at McRae House and for the right-angled turn at the condo town homes in the NE corner.
5. **Ideas solicited – Development Application Process review** – Susan Haddon: Susan explained that Saanich Planning Department has asked QCHCA for their ideas and concerns on the current development permit application process. QCHCA has committed to write a response by June 4th. Members are invited to send their comments to Susan at QCHCA3003@gmail.com. Susan will ask Chris Bhopalsingh to post the Planning Department report on the QCHCA website. Art Beck commented that Saanich should look at what other municipalities (Toronto, Vancouver, Victoria, etc.) are doing to improve their planning processes. Bob Trotter said that a 30-day response time might be okay for CAs during the year but not over holiday periods. He also said Saanich must make transportation planning a priority.
6. **Ideas solicited – Questions for the Candidates Debate on October 4th**– Susan Haddon**:** Susan asked QCHCA members to think about the important issues and opportunities that our new Council must deal with. What issues do we consider to be most critical and what questions should we ask the candidates for Saanich council at QCHCA’s Candidates Debate? Please send your ideas to Susan at QCHCA3003@gmail.com.
7. **Swan Lake and Christmas Hill Nature Sanctuary** – Kathleen Burton’s presentation included a history of the creation of the Sanctuary; the work of the Foundation’s staff, volunteers and partners to preserve this remarkable environment. Kathleen noted that QCHCA had donated $500 to the ‘Give a $heet Campaign. Susan Haddon expressed our appreciation for Kathleen’s presentation and for the Foundation’s work to educate and engage our community in preserving the sanctuary.

**Adjournment of the meeting at 9.00.**

**KEY DATES:**

July 8th – First Sunday Farmers Market with 7 to follow

August 7th and 14th – Music In The Park – Rutledge Park

September 25th – QCHCA General Meeting

September 25th – Deadline for Community Roots Newsletter

October 4th – Candidate’s Debate – Garth Homer Centre