**QUADRA CEDAR HILL COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION**

**General Meeting**

**Cedar Hill Rec Centre, Tues. 23rd May 2017, 7 – 9 pm**

Executive members present: Susan Haddon, Shawn Newby, Art Beck, Peter Haddon, Noella May, Chris Bhopalsingh, Helmuth Mueller, Chris Bartlett, John Schmuck, Pam Edwards, Lana Burns, Ruth Emery

1. **Agenda** approved as circulated
2. **Minutes** of April 25th, 2017 moved by Peter and seconded by Chris Bhopalsingh. Approved.
3. **Introductions** – Susan Haddon introduced and welcomed the following new members of QCHCA’s Board:
	1. Krista Voitchovsky……. Takes over the position of Area Representative from Shawn Newby to allow Shawn to focus on Vice-President role and events planning.
	2. Christine Sanders takes over as Area Representative of the Reynolds neighbourhood from Chris Bartlett to allow Chris to focus on the Music in the Park events.
	3. Anna Pino will join the Board as Assistant Editor for QCHCA’s Community Roots newsletter.
4. **Cedar Hill Arts and Rec. Centre Update** – Carole Ireland provided the following update on events at the Rec and Arts Centre:
	1. Recent events: LGBT open mike nights; Youth Lime Light Art regional exhibit; Squash Club Tournament provided coaching for juniors from Victoria and Vancouver; Cedar Hill Open Golf Tournament
	2. Coming event: Camosun Fine Furniture exhibit; Summer Registration for programs for children and youth
5. **Treasurer’s report** – $8316 funds available; $1200 received from new memberships; $1600 to be received shortly from the District of Saanich.
6. **Membership report** – Noella: 141 renewals and 12 new, totalling 153 members
7. **Newsletter** – Peter: 7000 copies of Community Roots Spring edition have been delivered. Next edition will be in the Fall. Greatly appreciate the work done by our delivery volunteers. This issue seems to have been well received by the community.
8. **Music in the Park:** Chris Bartlett reported that QCHCA is sponsoring and planning 2 events at Rutledge Park on Tuesday August 8th (Tropic Mayhem) and Tuesday August 15th. There will be food trucks, kid’s events, and much more. Volunteer parking assistants required. Please contact Chris to get hand bills and posters for the events.
9. **Cedar Hill Park Management Planning Process:** Peter gave an update on the activities of the working group set up by Saanich Parks to plan public participation for the development of a vision and plan for CHP, similar to that developed for Cuthbert Holmes Park. Three meetings have now been held by the committee that includes 6 reps from Parks and Recreation and 7 from community associations, BCI and the Golf Club. **An Ideas Fair to be held at Cedar Hill Rec Centre on Thursday June 8th from 4 until 8 pm.** This is an important opportunity to learn about ideas for the Park’s future and to submit your ideas and preferences. Please feel free to contact Saanich Parks via email or phone should you have particular issues to express.
10. **Tolmie Park:** Shawn Newby announced that QCHCA and Saanich Parks are planning a picnic on June 17th from 12 to 2 at Tolmie Park to celebrate the reopening of the newly renovated park. Attractions: face painting, bouncy castle, speeches, pickle ball demonstration and food truck. Please contact Shawn for details.
11. **Friends of Cedar Hill Park:** Susan gave an update on the Bowker Creek clean-up event and continuing Pulling Together activities to maintain the park. FCHP Picnic celebration of the 50 anniversary of the creation of CHP for September 23rd in Cedar Hill Park behind the Rec Centre. We are hoping to have music and other events TBD. We will hold the FCHP AGM after the picnic. Please contact Susan for more information.
12. **Farmer’s Market:** Shawn Newby gave an update on the plans for the market that will take place every Sunday at Braefoot Park, commencing July 2nd through August 2017. About 20 vendors have signed up. There will also be music and food trucks. Please contact Shawn for more information and posters for your neighbourhood.
13. **Governance Review Committee:**  John Schmuck gave a summary of recent work by the

Committee. The last workshop will conducted at Garth Homer at 1pm on Saturday May 27th. A survey is available on line and please write to GRCAC should you have a particular issue or topic to address.

**Presentation - Ancient Forest Alliance: Tiara Dhenin and TJ Watt** spoke about the efforts of the Alliance to preserve the old growth forest in BC. They outlined the very fragmented old growth forest that remains and the impact on ecosystems and wildlife. They have a number of projects underway and greatly appreciate your participation and financial support to the worthy cause.

Meeting adjourned – at 9:10 PM

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**Key Dates**

* June 10 – Hot Dog sales, Lumberworld, 11 – 3 pm
* June 27 – QCHCA Executive meeting, 7 – 9 pm