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**BRCA - MINUTES**

8 October 2015

Attendees:

**Board Members**

John Dwyer, Inge vanGemeren, Juri Wallner, Jill MacDonald

**Correction to September 2015 Minutes:**

1. Jill MacDonald was in attendance.

2. The reference to cost for historical signage was misleading: it is projected that the total cost for signs will be in the $150 range and the Community Association will pick up $50 of this so the potential cost to participating residents is about $100.

**Financial Statement**

Financial statements were presented showing that the Association is in a very healthy financial situation. It was moved that the statements be accepted; this was seconded and the motion approved unanimously.

**Minutes of September Meeting**

The minutes of the June 2015 Meeting were approved unanimously except as noted above.

**Previous Business**

**Insurance Needs of Tenants**

The Chair advised that she had heard nothing further from our agent. **UPDATE**: *Subsequent to the meeting, Mr. Sowten informed the Board that our policy does not require us to ensure those renting the Hall have insurance as was intimated when he met us earlier. Other issues discussed remain unresolved*.

***Parks Canada Shore-line Stabilisation***

Following discussion it was agreed to invite Parks Canada to our upcoming AGM to give them an opportunity to explain to the community what their plans are with regard to this issue, as well as possible timing of the work. The Chairperson was to write to the appropriate officials. ***UPDATE****: The Chairperson has drafted a note and forwarded it to Parks Canada officials. Very recently, Parks Canada indicated that they would attend.*

***East Street Widening***

Residents will already be aware that their interventions, directly and through the Association, have been successful.

**Hall Maintenance**

***Fence for South Border***

It was agreed that a fence would be constructed; agreement has been received from the owner of the neighboring property.

***Septic Pumping***

The Chairperson was to arrange for the system to be pumped this Fall.

***Sound System***

Members John Dwyer and Jeff Gauthier were to try to move quickly to purchase a suitable sound system and have it installed at the Hall.

**Other Business**

***Phase 3 (Greening for the Parking Area)***

It was agreed that the Chairperson will remind Parks Canada of their previously approval for building a rail fence along the shore-line of the parking area on the south-side of the Canal next to the swing bridge as Greening would like to proceed with the initiative. *UPDATE: The Chairperson has received a copy of the approved proposal from resident and Greening Committee Member Fairlie Ellis and sent a note to the appropriate authorities in Parks Canada. Earlier response from Parks Canada has been negative for a variety of reasons, including that they do not want to have to maintain a fence. Other options are being explored.*

***Theme Dinner***

Initial discussions were held on the potential Theme Dinner for 2017. Resident Cathy Knott was to be asked if she were willing to lead the initiative once again, considering the great successes she has had in previous years.

***AGM 2016***

It was agreed that the AGM this year will follow previous year’s formats and various Members were tasked with duties. The date for the AGM was set (and subsequently changed) to be Wednesday November 25th. The following was agreed as the working agenda: (To be revised as needed at the up-coming Board meeting)

* Presentation by Parks Canada on shoreline rehabilitation
* Presentation by BREA on current status of the micro-hydro generation project
* Presentation by Anne Martin on the Endowment Trust
* Presentation by Local officials on the side-street issue and where we go from here.

**NEXT REGULAR MEETING**

**7:00 pm Thursday November 12 2015**

**Residents Are Invited to Attend**