

## BMCA BOARD of DIRECTORS

Meeting Minutes March 8, 2022

7:30 – 8:55 PM

By Zoom

### 1. Welcome & Call to Order.

Present: Ev Pollock, Joe Matuska, Dr. Charles Lugosi, Cyrus Lim, Tony Collison, Terry Trace, Bob Flitton, Jim Stobie,

### 2. Approval February 8, 2022, Minutes

A motion was made to approve the BMCA Board of Directors Minutes of February 8, 2022.

Moved by: Tony Collison

Seconded by: Jim Stobie

CARRIED.

### 3. Agenda Additions/Approval

A motion was made to approve the Agenda with the following additions:

- Gateway Park - renaming
- Ecoasis update
- Bear Mountain Activity Center
- Dr. Avi Friedman presentation

Moved by: Bob Flitton

Seconded by: Tony Collison

CARRIED.

### 4. Business Arising

#### a. AGM – 2021/2022

The following points were made with respect to the BMCA 2021/2022 AGM:

- An in- person AGM will be organized for June 21, 2022
- Any COVID guidelines in place at that time will be followed. E.g. Scanning QR Codes to compare to ID will occur. Action: Cyrus to look into.
- Finlayson Reach social room availability will be pursued. Action: Ev to look into.

A motion to proceed with the BMCA holding an In-person AGM on June 21, 2022 in the Finlayson Reach social room if the room is available.

Moved by: Bob Flitton

Seconded by: Tony Collison

CARRIED.

- b. Draft Bylaws – The BMCA Bylaws were provided to the Directors for final review for consideration of forwarding to the AGM for approval.

It was noted that revisions were made to draft bylaws at the February 8<sup>th</sup> meeting and were then circulated to the Board members prior to tonight’s meeting for the Board’s consideration.

A motion was made to add the draft bylaws to the AGM Agenda for consideration of approval by the BMCA at their AGM.

Moved by: Terry Trace  
Seconded by: Cyrus Lim

CARRIED.

- c. Gateway Park

The City of Langford advised the Board that “Gateway Park” as we have known it, requires a name change, as “Gateway” is not available for use. The BMCA Board has been approached to suggest a different name for the Park and forward it to the City of Langford for their consideration.

Joe Matuska suggested the park be named “The Flying Firemen Memorial Park” in honour of two pilots who lost their lives in a plane crash, while fighting a fire on the side of Skirt Mountain in 1967. Historical information related to this crash was provided to the Board. (attached to and forming part of these minutes).

A motion was made to request that the City of Langford consider “Gateway Park” be renamed to “The Flying Fireman Memorial Park” in honour of the two pilots who lost their lives in the airplane that crashed on Skirt Mountain while firefighting.

Moved by: Joe Matuska  
Seconded by: Bob Flitton

CARRIED

It was also suggested a plaque containing historical details, names of the pilots, and possibly photos of the pilots be installed at the park. It was also suggested that a piece of plane wreckage, if possible, become part of the monument. Action: Ev to look into.

## 5. Committee Reports

- a. Financial Report - Joe Matuska reported a bank balance of \$1,814.34 with a payable to Victoria Contracting of approximately \$295.00.

Joe will present a draft operating budget at the next meeting.

A discussion took place with respect to the possibility of holding a fund- raising golf tournament. The topic was deferred to a future meeting for further discussion.

- b. Membership Report – It was reported that Tony Collison has accepted the position of Chair for the Membership Committee and will be sending new contact information to the Directors. It was further reported that BMCA has 13 paid members as of today.

It was noted that a notice would be prepared to email out to all members that it is time to renew their membership. Action: Tony to prepare the email and distribute.

- c. Covenant Committee – There was nothing new to report.
- d. Communications Report

Emails – Cyrus Lim reported that there were 5 emails received this past month.

Bob Flitton reported that the Bear Mountain Activity Center is in the final stages of hiring staff and providing the appropriate training to staff for their required certification, prior to serving the public.

It is anticipated that the Activity Centre will open the end of March.

Cyrus Lim questioned whether it was appropriate to send out a notice to the BMCA distribution list advising the members of the up and coming opening of the Activity Centre.

Bob Flitton confirmed that this would be appropriate and to proceed with the notice.

## 6. New Business

- a. Discussion took place with respect to the need for a Recorder to assist Secretary. It was noted that a request for interest in this role would be included in the spring newsletter.
- b. Traffic Calming: Ev Pollock reported that she was advised, by the City of Langford, that designing roundabouts with taller vegetation in the center is an ICBC safety initiative. She was further advised that it is the current practice taught by ICBC for roundabout designs, intended to provide traffic calming. Since the Board has received complaints about roundabout planting interfering with visibility for drivers and pedestrians, Ev has requested ICBC provide the Board with the literature that recommends this approach with the inclusion of outcomes that resulted in support of this approach.
- c. Dr. Avi Friedman presentation: - Ev Pollock, Cyrus Lim and Jim Stobie attended the Dr. Avi Friedman presentation. It was reported that the presentation was a disappointment, very public relation orientated and lacked substance. Information on the session is available on City of Langford's website. The content was specific to downtown densification.

Cyrus Lim sent questions that he had, with regard to the Bear Mountain Development, to the City of Langford's Planning Department; who referred him back to Ecoasis for the Bear Mountain Plan.

Dan Matthews and Ryan Molgenson will be invited to the next Board meeting to provide an update on Bear Mountain's future development. Action: Ev Pollock to follow up.

7. Next Meeting:

A decision was made to meet monthly until after the AGM.

The next meeting will be April 12, 2022, with a 'Special Agenda', essentially restricted to an Ecoasis presentation, and planning of the AGM.

Informal discussion ensued regarding a Day Care and potential school on Bear Mountain Parkway West. There was curiosity expressed by the Board as to what development is occurring at the south end of Florence Lake.

Terry mentioned a new Tesla dealership to open across from Costco and that there will be a school built just on the lower portion of Skirt Mountain from the Day Care building.

8. Adjournment

The Chair adjourned the meeting at 8:55 PM.