

GNA Directors Meeting – February 14, 2023
At St. Jean Baptiste Church (307 Richmond Ave) at 7 pm

Attendees: Susanne Rautio (chair), Norm Fiege, Robin Jones, Alan Dibb, Phil Hoen, Nic Humphreys, Daryl Stein

Guests: Blockwatch representatives Anne Spencer, Elaine Weidner, Donna and Shannon Geer and Laura Porcher

Round table discussion ensued on safety concerns throughout Gonzales and what, if anything, can be done about it. The agreement was to first canvas the neighbourhood to find out whether people generally were worried about safety and then if necessary hold another session at the next board meeting and invite Councillor Matt Dell, a representative from VicPD and somebody from bylaw services to discuss options.

Meeting called to order at 8:02 pm.

Motion to approve agenda by Norm; seconded by Robin, approved.

1. Approval of previous meeting minutes:

Motion by Robin to adopt January 10 minutes; seconded by Alan, approved.

2. Treasurer's report:

Norm reported that there is \$3106.42 in the bank

3. Mapping Project update:

Susanne to send out link to Canva so other board members can see progress made on side 1 of the map..

4. Third Access to Beach in Hollywood Crescent

No update on this issue as Nic had to leave early

5. GNA Website - list of Business

Alan completed the list of businesses in Gonzales and it is posted on the website. It has been well received in the community. There was a brief discussion as to how to inform businesses about it and to possibly canvas for donations to help pay for it.

6. Luminary Special Event Volunteer Request

Robin met with the Margaret Jenkins PAC and it seems unlikely that we will be able to use school property for the festival as the school charges a fee for doing so.

Susanne to find out how much insurance will cost to host the event.

7. Trees Canada proposal

Prior to the meeting Nic relayed to Susanne that he will not be pursuing a grant with Trees Canada as the restrictions on the grant are too onerous. One of the requirements is that we would have to pay for everything up front and then get reimbursed. If a partner comes forward then we may consider a grant again.

8. GNA Insurance

Phil to investigate how much insurance would cost for the administration of GNA board activities.

9. Next board meeting date.

Tuesday, March 14.

Motion by Phil to adjourn the meeting; seconded by Norm, approved

Meeting adjourned at 9 pm.