

GNA Directors Meeting – July 14, 2021 at 3:00pm
at 359 Richmond Ave

Attendees: Lynn Phillips (via telephone), Nic Humphries - Chair, Hector Bussiere, Susanne Rautio, Norm Fiege, Alan Dibb and Robin Jones

Meeting called to order at 3:07 pm.

Motion to approve agenda by Susanne; seconded by Lynn, approved.

1. Approval of previous meeting minutes:

Motion by Alan to adopt June 9 minutes; seconded by Norm, approved.

2. Treasurer's report:

Lynn did not have a financial update ready for the meeting but mentioned there had not been any major purchases or withdrawals since the previous board meeting.

3. Membership report:

Susanne reported that there are 322 members, supporters and subscribers

4. Mapping project update:

Alan has begun entering information into the free GIS program. **Lynn to explore the cost of printing 2000 maps with Staples as they have a donation program.**

5. Website/Twitter account

The website and twitter account are up and running. Alan will maintain both until a public relations volunteer comes forward.

6. Distribution of Remaining GNA pamphlets

Norm and Nic brought the remaining GNA pamphlets and Susanne will hold onto them for distribution at special events. The board decided that new pamphlets will not be printed at this time.

7. Update on process for Recognizing Gonzales as an official neighbourhood association.

Results of the city survey were released and are below:

Spotlight: Fairfield, Gonzales & Rockland Land Use Decision

- A total of 348 people participated in this survey.

- We heard from 169 (48%) people who said council **should recognize the Gonzales Neighbourhood Association and its land use committee as representative of the Gonzales neighbourhood.**
- We heard from 55 (16%) people who said council **should have Rockland represent Gonzales on land use issues under a unified Gonzales-Rockland neighbourhood association.**
- We heard from 124 (36%) people who said council **should have the Fairfield Gonzales Community Association continue to represent Gonzales for land use issues (status quo).**
- 32% of survey respondents live in Gonzales.
- 20% of survey respondents live in Fairfield.
- 12% of survey respondents live in Rockland.

Susanne will draft and send out an e-mail to the distribution list describing these results.

8. VTAG - Victoria Together Against Graffiti

A space has been found in the church for the VTAG kits and Ted Alexis has come forward as a volunteer distributor of the kits. An e-mail will go out to the distribution list informing them of the program and where they can go to get the kits.

9. Offer of funds for Storage Locker

Gary Pemberton, Neighbourhood Liaison with the City of Victoria, offered to work with the GNA in applying for a “My Great Neighbourhood” grant for a storage locker should the need arise.

10. Next board meeting date.

There will be no board meeting in August so the next board meeting will be Wednesday, Sept. 8.

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

Meeting adjourned at 4:00 pm.