

## FCA Board Meeting – Wed, Nov 11, 2009 – FINAL MINUTES

Present: Clive Beal, Robbie Clarke, Erik Kaye, Joanne Murray, , Stephanie Hill, Rena Miller, Tony Sprackett, Richard Olafson, Bill McKechnie

Regrets: John Rooney, Carlos Flores, Clayton Jevne

Guests: John Luton, Vitto Chelli, Mat Wright

### 1. Review of Agenda

M/S/C

### 2. Review of Minutes

Minutes carried as amended

### 3. Members or guests requesting to speak

- Vitto Chelli, JohnsonStreetBridge.org
  - o Recap of arguments in favour of referendum on whether to repair current Johnson Street Bridge or replace it
  - o Issue is mainly process, regardless of which option you support
  - o Alternative Approval Process is like negative option billing, onerous process
  - o Would be best to go directly to a referendum
  - o Need full airing of pros and cons of both options
- John Luton, Victoria City Council
  - o Johnson St Bridge needs major seismic work within 2 years
  - o Significant liability issue for city – legal obligation on city to fully address safety risks if they are made known to Council and staff
  - o Replacement is better option for cycling and pedestrian amenities – can't be done with retrofits

### 4. Correspondence – Gladstone Street Parking issue

- Community concern re initial proposal
- City wants FCA to endorse proposal, but this is not FCA's role – our mandate is to facilitate community input.
- As FCA is directly affected by the proposal due to our building location, need to separate the FCA as a community association vs the FCA as a Gladstone Street stakeholder.
- **Decision:** FCA to host community meeting on City of Victoria's Gladstone Street parking proposal on Monday Nov 23, 7pm, FCA Boardroom.
- City should help FCA advertise the meeting
- All communications with the city on this issue should go through Tony

### 6. Old Business

FNRG lawsuit against FCA: Request to discontinue has been referred to FNRG legal staff

Balance sheet request: Balance sheet will be printed with year end financial statements (March 31, 2010)

7. Executive Report – see individual items below

8. Administrator's Report – no report.

9. Treasurer's Report

No report

10. Councillor's Report – no report.

11. Committee Reports

A) Building

Update on renovations to 1923 Fernwood Avenue:

- The posts are gone from main hall!
- Lighting upgrade underway – more energy efficient to use Hydro rebates
- Replace upstairs skylight
- Various options to use FCA \$\$ for renovations
- \$65K left from FCA building fund for repairs
- Wall mirrors are not going to be removed, will be returned to the hall once renos are done.

FCA lease expires January 2011

B) Communications: **Action Item:** Fernwood E-News items needed from board members

C) Culture – Clayton's play currently running at Intrepid Theatre

Pandora Arts Collective – group show on Jan 16, 2010 – plan to coincide with grand re-opening of FCA building after repairs.

Suggestion to do painting on the window in meeting - e-mail Graham re text ideas for window display.

D) Land Use

No meeting in November

Dec 2 meeting to be held at Community Room, Save-on-Foods Arena.

E) Safety

Update on Needle Exchange Advisory Group – Letter from Pieta van Dyke re consultation process for proposed Princess Street site for fixed needle exchange – send comments to Joanne (*Note: Subsequent discussion of this issue is not recorded as the issue became moot shortly after the Nov 11 board meeting, when VIHA announced it was not proceeding with the Princess Street site and disbanded the Needle Exchange Advisory Group*).

#### 12. New Business

None.

#### 13. Adjournment

Meeting adjourned at 8:50.