

Massey-Victory Heights Resident's Association meeting
Thursday, April 27, 2006

Item 3 will be held over until May's association meeting.

Community Policing Report:

Carole Forsythe distributed a document entitled Lend a Hand which has been developed by the DBA. It is a resource guide with contact information to various services available in the city. Residents were invited to make further suggestions on the sheets that were distributed.

Issues from the Sapperton Resident's Association included truck route traffic and their neighborhood mural project.

A warning has been issued about a charity named the Western Ballet Society. This group has been targeting an individual and has repeatedly returned to request more donations.

President's Report

Susan reported that the letters with motions about the 10th Avenue truck traffic have not yet been sent.

Susan and Bill had an opportunity to walk around the area with the new traffic person at city hall. He was very receptive to such issues as:

- a cut-out near Howay school
- Speeding on Cumberland
- The danger of walking on 8th avenue
- No stop signs on Churchill
- Camera at 8th and Cumberland.

Susan will attend the Candlelight Tribute on May 9, 7 pm.

She reported that the work on the park between Laurel and Chilliwack Street will soon be started.

Old Business

The area logo's were voted on, with the majority voting 11 in favour, non opposed to the non-reflective signs. Votes for the reflective sign were 5 in favour. Each sign is \$150 so the area will receive 26 signs. The executive will meet to develop a plan for where the signs will be placed, with attendees agreeing that entry areas are the logical starting place.

Garage Sale

All plans are in place for the sale, signs will be going up this weekend. Participants are requested to give Susan or Carole their addresses to prepare a list for distribution on the day of the sale.

BBQ

Food costs and the organization's lack of funds were discussed at length. The grant that we applied for was turned down by the city so it was suggested that we cancel the bbq meal and consider food such as ice cream and cake.

After a vote on which location to hold the event at, 8 people voted for Howay School. Included in the discussion were types of crafts to be offered for children and groups which would participate.

Traffic Advisory

Judy reported about the Braid Street recommendation re: opening the bridge area to two lanes. For the Pattullo Bridge the discussion involved allowing truck traffic to move over one lane; photo radar has also been recommended by a group of traffic planners who are studying the issues. Watch for the report which will be released by Translink in May.

Judy also brought to the attention of resident's the issue of drivers of large trucks paying to park overnight in the lot at Belmont and 4th Avenue. This has led to a number of issues such as loitering; vandalism.

The Central Valley Greenway has been put on hold.

Nancy Wark presented the association with a diagram illustrating the motion she would make about traffic on the Pattullo Bridge.

Motion: Nancy Wark recommended that lanes on the Pattullo Bridge be changed from four to three widened lanes, one from Surrey, two from New Westminster, with a centre barrier.

Seconded by Larry Hill

Amendment to Motion: Change the Pattullo Bridge crossing from four to three widened lanes, two lanes from New Westminster, one from Surrey. In Favour: 1 Opposed: 12
Motion defeated

Motion: Larry Hill recommended that the Pattullo Bridge be changed to three widened lanes from four.

Seconded by Terry Tomcko. In Favour: 8. Opposed: 3. Abstain: 2. Motion Passed.

New Business

The lack of street cleaning has become a concern for residents.

Motion: Susan Wandell recommended that our association contact the Engineering Department to inquire if it would be possible to have street cleaning done on a schedule similar to the garbage pick-up schedule.

Seconded: Bob Jones. In Favour 11; Opposed: 0. Motion passed.