



Photos by SHS Members: Evergreen Stand by Robin Hooper, Snow Trail by Pontus Agren. Please send more photos!

Green Timbers Heritage Society Board Meeting at 7 PM 8 January 2014

1. **Chairperson Don Schuetze**

welcomed Jim Foulkes, Ellen Edwards, and Stephen McGlenn.

Regrets received from Susan Lehmann and Peter Maarsman. **Location: Surrey Nature Centre.**

2. **November 25 Board Minutes** were reviewed.

Don/Jim/all approved, Agenda and Minutes.

Ellen agreed to take the Minutes tonight.*

3. **Communications/Correspondence - reported by Ellen Edwards:**

- Beautiful Christmas card received from Surrey Mayor, Dianne Watts.
- Parks informed us of Staff Changes **
- Marcel Larouche - concerned about the fallen trees on trails in the Nichol Road area of GT. He was answered by Camille Andrews (Surrey Parks & Rec): trees were at risk to park users, re "qualified tree risk assessor."
- Surrey City's New Council Chambers were described and illustrated by Neil Scott, Surrey's Cultural Production Coordinator, welcoming use of the various rooms (\$40 to 90/hr).
- Letter of Thanks to Malcolm Aspeslet was mailed 25 November re his generous donation of \$1000.

We asked if he wished to designate to any specific program. To date - no answer.

- Official Community Plan re 2014 Regional Growth. OCP presented to Surrey Council on Dec 16: Report R252. (Notice from Deb Jack).

4. ****Staff Changes: Environmental Stewardship Team located at Parks Works Yard: 604-501-5132**

2014 SNAP Coordinator - Camille Andrews

(hired as Student SNAP Coordinator for 2007), now Environmental Stewardship Coordinator.

Caitlin MacDonald - ES Programmer.

Ashley Myrvold - ES Assistant

They work with **Nadia Chan and Colleen Gillespie, under Neal Aven**, Manager of Urban Forestry and Env Programs Staff.

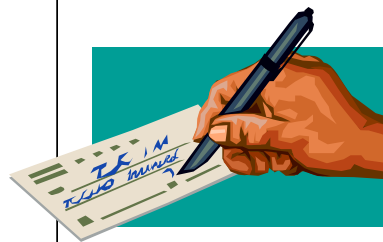
5. **Financial Report: Jim Foulkes**

. We agreed to keep the Gaming Account, and will apply this year.* SNAP Accounts -

about \$20000 Balance to cover p/t hours for SNAP Coord.

Filming Revenue - \$5000. We must acknowledge the kindness of the Film Co and the guidance of Owen Croy, City Parks Manager. "We shall use this fund to enhance public enjoyment of the GT Forest."*

Tax Return as Registered Charity to be submitted by March 1st. Approval was



given at our AGM for the Treasurer to hire an accountant to assist with the records and forms. We recommend Carol Brimmer or Leroy Mickelson, local accountants we know. *

Invoice for postage and printing was approved for payment - \$55.27. *

Jim/Ellen/approved, Financial Report and Invoice.

6. Lehmann Grove Report - Colleen Gillespie will consult with Susan Lehmann re a Special Event to dedicate the approved renaming of the Grove, and the storyboards on the kiosk. *

7. SNAP Report from SNAP Coordinator

Stephen McGlenn reported that Ceridian will provide a full SNAP Payroll/Deductions Report.



Stephen provided a Winter Update which includes extensive **2013 Year End Admin duties** including completing Year End Activity Reports, Payment Claims, Grant Reports, complete truck repairs, Employee Evaluations, Financial documents to our GTHS Treasurer, updating inventory

and SNAP website.*

2014 Planning Activities: *

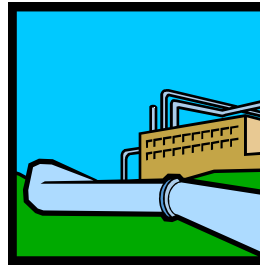
Research for various funding sources;
Proposal writing and submission; Budget Forecasts for City;
Speak to BCIT and Colleges re SNAP Opportunities;
Job Descriptions; Posting SNAP Positions, Hiring;

Rewrite Log sheets, payroll charts, schedules.

Develop the SNAP Organizational Model as a tool.

Include SNAP Work projects in Surrey's 2014 Plan.

Use Comprehensive Training Regime for Staff and for Master's Degree Assignments. Contract vehicles. Much to do!



8. FORTIS - Pipeline Upgrades down Right of Way from Port Mann that crosses 140 at 104

and proceeds parallel to 140, west side and southward... Concern is where will the trucks park and where to put all the huge pipes? Will it damage treed areas? Jim and Ellen to meet with Gord Schoberg, Communications Manager on January 28 at 2 PM. (Stephen has a BCIT appointment, marketing re SNAP positions). *

9. Fraser Highway - No current info re plans made years ago: Widen to 4 lanes, close 144th from 92nd.

10. Plans along 92 Avenue and into the Forest to 96th - **a clearing 40 meters wide**. Whatever is this for? Skytrain? Should we make formal consultation? * Many trees would be lost . Here is a photo of 92 Ave.



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11. Report by Communications Manager, Don Schuetze.

- GTHS Mailout: e-mail and post, SNAP 2013 Summary, and Nov AGM Minutes.
- GTHS (Don) set up new Member and Label systems for easy access and updates. Copy provided to President.
- Website - provided address updates to Michael Mitov. Some improvements suggested to the GTHS Website.
- Don considering a quarterly Newspage.

11. Other Business -

- Follow Up on Display Plan for the **Golden Shovel** donated by Helmar von Hahn, awarded after 40 years as Green Timbers Nursery Worker. Contact Neal Aven.*
- **Extravaganza Events for 2014:** Shannon Cressey provided Minutes from the Dec 6 planning meeting #1.
Public Programs:
Earth Day, April 22
Party for the Planet, SryCityCtr, April 26
World Ocean Day, BlackieSpit, June8, 11-3
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Meeting adjourned at 9 PM.

Next Meeting - March 5 at Surrey Nature Centre at 7 PM. Plan: Deanna to prepare Agenda and Chair the Meeting, with Don taking Minutes.

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