



Green Timbers Heritage Society

Meeting Minutes

Wednesday, May 3, 2017

Surrey Nature Centre | 14225 Green Timbers Way, Surrey, BC

Call to Order

The May 2017 Meeting of the Green Timbers Heritage Society Board of Directors was called to order at 7:20pm on May 3, 2017 at the Surrey Nature Centre by Don Schuetze.

Attendees

Don Schuetze, Chris Temple, Nathan Ross, Tessa Perkins Deneault, Jim Foulkes, Ellen Edwards, Susan Lehman.

Approval of Agenda

The agenda was unanimously approved.

SNAP Update – Nathan Ross

Nathan gave an update on the SNAP program that will be starting up for the 2017 season next week. His report is enclosed.

Financial Update – Jim Foulkes, Treasurer

CRA assessment came in same as submitted.

GST rebate has come through (0.015% rebate) of \$21.

Prospera general account as of April 30 - \$2,476.95.

\$15,000 in a term deposit.

\$8.20 in a savings account.

Total of approximately \$18,000 available for spending towards our purpose.

Prospera gaming account \$424.02.

Vancity account as of April 30 \$53,166.56 (includes SNAP deposit from city).

Jim to provide two cheques for SNAP petty cash (for fueling).

Jim moves to advertise in non-English speaking newspapers in Surrey: Korean, Indian, etc.

Director's liability insurance needs to be paid. Jim will drop off cheque tomorrow. Don moves to have the invoice paid, Susan seconds, so moved.

Don moves to accept the treasurer's report, Susan Lehman seconds. Report Accepted.

Other Business

Google account – Don will demonstrate how to access our files.

Party for the Planet booth went well.

Upcoming Events

The Surrey Earth Walk

Saturday, May 6

Our involvement: a knowledgeable person to walk with us through Green Timbers (Contact David Dally).

Linda Prai, Chris Temple both volunteered

SNAP welcome brunch

Wednesday, May 10

SHS meeting

Saturday, May 13

Cloverdale rodeo

Friday to Monday, May 19-22

Surrey museum Sheep to Shawl

Saturday, May 20

Sunnyside open house

Saturday, June 3

Raptor festival

On behalf of the Richmond Nature Park Society and the City of Richmond I would like to invite the Green Timbers Heritage Society to participate in the 2017 Richmond Raptor Festival at Terra Nova Park in Richmond, BC.

The event is on Sunday, August 13, 2017 from 11am - 4pm.

No interest shown so far.

Adjournment

The May 2017 meeting of the Green Timbers Heritage Society Board of Directors was adjourned at 8:37pm by D. Schuetze. The next meeting of the GTHS Board of Directors will be held June 7, 2017.

Minutes submitted by: Tessa Perkins Deneault

Enclosed:

Appendix A: SNAP update

Appendix B: email communications

Appendix A

GTHS Meeting – SNAP Update

May 3, 2017

Nathan Ross, Program Coordinator

Follow Up From Previous Meeting

- Most of the SNAP orders have been fulfilled. Still waiting to receive the safety vests and hats from AdCentives.
- SNAP vehicles are ready and will be picked up by Jim, Nate and others on May 5.
- SNAP phones have been activated with unnecessary phones cancelled.
- More feedback was received regarding our unsuccessful HCTF grant. Future applications will need to involve City staff more.

Past Month

- We were successful in all 5 grant applications to the Canada Summer Jobs program
 - o Approximately 63% of our requested amount was granted (\$ 61,521)
- The summer students/teams have been finalized! We have a great group of students again this year.
- SNAP was presented at the SAHS AGM
- SNAP was promoted at the ISPMV Spring Forum at Bear Creek Park. Helene Marcoux from BCIT presented positive findings from the research project SNAP has been assisting with.

Proposals

- Set up SNAP fuel cards for the SNAP vehicles to limit petty cash stored on hand.
Proposed motion:
“Be it resolved that Green Timbers Heritage Society register for five prepaid or credit based fuel cards for the SNAP program.”
This in consideration of:
 - o The large amounts of petty cash currently stored with the Program Coordinator to cover fuel costs are of higher relative risk to loss, theft or other threats.
 - o The invoices produced by the cards will provide a point of reference to confirm transaction details including fuel amounts, taxes paid, etc.
 - o There are typically no operating fees associated with these cards however interest will likely be charged to the balance if payments are not met on time.
 - o The cards would streamline field level operations.
- Update: Nate to research the options more and present details/registration process to directors for June

Next Month

- SNAP is starting! May 8 is the first day for the Team Leaders, May 9 is the first day for the Team Members.
- Job postings for the high school “junior team member” positions will be posted.
- May is “invasive species action month” and the outreach team will be promoting SNAP’s work.
- SNAP will try to host a special project/event in Fleetwood for a site visit from MP Ken Hardie (pending)

Appendix B: Communications

BC Timber Sales Photos and sign

Good morning,

My name is Artur Moeller and I used to work at Green Timbers for the Ministry of Forests. I have a tree in the Millennium plantation tree # 98.

I presently work for Seedling Services, British Columbia Timber Sales, Ministry of Forests, Lands, and Natural Resource Operations in Vernon.

As we have had a small footprint left at Green Timbers I was there last month to decommission our laboratory.

We had some old photos framed from the 1920's, 1930's I believe about 2'X3' I was wondering if you would be interested in a couple?

They are presently in Victoria but I am going there Thursday, April 6th to retrieve some for our Vernon office.

If you are interested I could bring it to Surrey and either drop them off at the Provincial Emergency office or the Surrey Nature Centre for you.

Hate to see these things got lost or hidden for years.

Please let me know.

Artur W. Moeller CTech
Seedling Assessment Technician
Seedling Services
BC Timber Sales

Don,

The Photos have just been dropped off.

I was wondering 2 things.

We took one photo back to Vernon but it is ruined. I was wondering if you had a photo of "Green Timbers Nursery, 1940" in your archives.

Next thing.

The Ministry of Forests, Lands, and Natural Resources Operations will shortly have no footprint left on site.

If you have another, or next tree planting in the plantation it might be nice to commemorate the last two employees with a tree.

Lauchlan Glen is the last Professional Forester to have worked there.(he now works from home)
And Leanne DeSousa an administrative clerk for the past 8 ½ years. Will shortly be going to another job.

Both having worked for Seedling Services (formerly Nursery Services)

Should you require further information let me know.

Your work for Green Timbers is appreciated and I hope the society continues successfully.

Artur
Seedling Services

From: Green Timbers Historical Society [mailto:greentimberssociety@gmail.com]
Sent: Wednesday, April 12, 2017 6:07 AM

Hi Art,

One other question: there's a sign at Green Timbers Way and 96th Ave. What's happening with that?

I'm notionally thinking we should try to save it (assuming it would otherwise be trashed).

What do you think?

Thanks again,
-don

Don,

I agree. I was trying to obtain it but my request has been lost.
If the Green Heritage Society is interested I will put a request in.

Artur
Seedling Services

Silting of Quibble Creek from 100th Ave construction

Hi; The attached pic taken yesterday shows severe silting where quibble creek tributary enters green timber as it passes under 100 th ave (directly south and across the street from lena shaw school playground) .

The construction there is releasing lots of silt into this stream and obviously the "mitigation" is not functioning properly. The silt travels south a very long way.

Bill Kroesen

Response from Victor at the City:

Thanks for sending this over. We do have an Erosion and Sediment control supervisor who visits the site on a regular basis to check on our measures installed to prevent this from occurring. We'll investigate the source of the sediment this morning and adjust our ESC measures.

TELUS volunteers
From: Michael Louie
Subject: TELUS Days of Giving, Green Timbers Clean up

Message Body:
From: Michael Louie
Subject: TELUS Days of Giving, Green Timbers Clean up
Message: Hello,

I am hoping to discuss one of the TELUS opportunities, specifically the clean up of green timbers.

I have two rather large groups looking to come and do some very thorough clean up, and I'm wondering if you can utilize them all.

We have one group, of 50, and the other of 20, for a total of 70 people. The posting said we'd be laying down new soil, painting some stuff and litter clean up. is there more we can do? invasive species pulling perhaps?
