

Green Timbers Heritage Society Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, April 9, 2019 Surrey Nature Centre | 14225 Green Timbers Way, Surrey, BC



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In Attendance

Don Schuetze, Nathan Evans, Bill Potma, Deanna Welters, Shenae Borschneck, Amar Virk

Regrets:

Jim Foulkes

Meeting Called to Order:

- 6:55 pm

Minutes accepted as read, by Nathan, seconded Don. Passed.

SNAP Report:

- Should have everyone hired within a few weeks. Planning work with the City, events, youth volunteer organizations. See attached.

Financial Report:

GTHS current account balance @ \$12,524.73 GTHS current term balance @ \$7,181.99 SNAP current account balance @ \$15,899.14

Still need to pay WorksafeBC premiums for 2018, was due Feb 28 for \$2,839.85

Will mail out

- driver's abstract reimbursement cheque to Rachel Canham \$12.00
- GST PSB Rebate \$732.10

Watermain along 148 Street

Link: http://www.metrovancouver.org/Search/Pages/results.aspx?k=148%20Street

I haven't looked at this since then? Has anyone else? Deanna observed a cut tree south of 96th

WEB

March performance for your website vs. previous month

Users: 881 Increase 42.79% Sessions: 1.0K Increase 49.78% Bounce Rate: 82.45% Increase 2.76%

Average Session Duration: 00:50 Increase 6.06%

Surrey Clean Sweep

Sunday, April 14, 10 am to noon. Meet at the Surrey Nature Centre. We'll go down 140th street, unless someone has a better idea.

Archiving digitization

Project continues on a monthly basis. So far 1968 - 2000 are done. Searchable, OCR'd PDFs are in the team drive. The working plan is (so far) to get them onto our website and also to the Surrey Archives. Progress is being made. We still have to set up a next scan session.

Museum expansion: GT exhibit (?)

Deanna was going to follow up on this (from January 2019, still to be followed up April 2019)

Susan's will

Deanna was going to try to follow up on this. Estate is being held, because will is being contested. (April)

Directors' Walk

After next meeting we'll go look for Green Timbers' tallest tree. Publicize this as part of the meeting invitation.

Meeting Adjourned:

- 7:56 pm
- Next meeting Tuesday May 14, 2019

Appendices:

No news mentions found in March, 2019 No communications shared

Appendix 1: SNAP Update

April 1, 2019

Shenae Borschneck, Program Coordinator

Past Month:

- Hiring:
 - Held 32 interviews for 14 positions
 - · All reference checks have been completed
 - · All driver's abstracts have been received
 - · Hired three Team Leaders and five Team Members
 - · Waiting on Police Information Checks to be approved for other hires
- Work planning with City staff for this summer's projects
- Updated SNAP 2018 Operations Budget to reflect financial activity since August 2018
- Almost finished the SNAP 2019 Operations Budget
- Created a draft schedule for SNAP team orientation and training. Contacted City staff to confirm if they can assist with training during the scheduled activities.

This Month:

- Finalize the 2019 summer team
- Talk to City staff about invoices for the 2019 SNAP contract
- Finalize the SNAP 2019 Operations Budget
- Schedule partner park tours
- Continue work planning with City staff
- Finalize the orientation and training schedule
- Finalize order replenishment of shirts and hats with AdCentives
- Coordinate vehicle delivery with Zeemac and arrange paperwork signing

Appendix 2: Facebook postings

March 11, 2019 to April 22, 2019

Each paragraph was a shared link, a repost or a picture

Horse tails ready to open up on the Green Timbers Urban Forest floor. #urbanforest #greentimbers #greentimbersurbanforest #surreybc

A busy nest of ants close to 96th avenue. #greentimbers #greentimbersurbanforest #surreybc

unfurling ferns in the morning sun. #greentimbers #greentimbersurbanforest #surreybc

Took the reluctant screen-addicted nephew into Green Timbers' sister forest *Sunnyside Acres*. The Chickadee trail does a nice loop that even he was able to almost enjoy. We counted 68 rings on this fall down tree. #surreybc #sunnysideacres #urbanforest

Notes written on various boards at the #Translink open house on Tuesday at City Hall. Lots of comments expressing concern on the effects of a train running through the Green Timbers Urban Forest. #greentimbers #greentimbers #greentimbers #surreybc

You may not have received or read notice of the Open Houses being held this week re Skytrain. That is the Skytrain which is scheduled to go through Green Timbers Forest/Park. There are any number of reasons to be concerned about this: edge effects, noise, lights, raptor hunt interference, loss of forest ecology, etc., etc. There is a survey on line which you can access at surreylangleyskytrain.ca. Please attend one of the Open Houses. There needs to be some voices from the community about concerns...

Thanks to everyone who came and helped pick up garbage at Green Timbers yesterday (Sunday, April 14). This was part of Surrey's Clean Sweep. Unfortunately and sadly it looks like we could be doing this more often. Most garbage was plastic wrappers for food. Some oddities were some Lego and a full Febreze aerosol. #surreycleansweep #cleancanadatogether Anyone interested in helping organize something on a regular basis? Send me an email at info@greentimbers.ca -- let's see what we can do!

The Green Timbers Cleaning Machine! Part of Surrey's Clean Sweep, we were in Green Timbers Sunday April 14. Sad to say, our garbage bags were full within an hour. Should we organize some more? #greentimbers #greentimbers #greentimbers #surreycleansweep #cleancanadatogether

On display at the Surrey Museum for April is this bowl turned from downed douglas fir from the original planting (around 1930). The bowl has an interesting story on it's own too. #greentimbers #greentimbersurbanforest #surreybc

Reminder! Help pick up garbage as part of Surrey Clean Sweep this Sunday, April 14. Meet at 10 am at the Surrey Nature Centre.

A little over-saturated, but here's an alder catkin with new leaves. #greentimbers #greentimbersurbanforest #surreybc

The book has a bit about when Mayor Vanderzalm suggested moving Bridgeview residents into Green Timbers Urban Forest.

Green Timbers Urban Forest > April update from the Heritage Society > Clean Sweep, Skytrain through the forest, more... - https://mailchi.mp/60911a00c110/ki6xlgq4zj-3419305

An abandoned bicycle at the head of the Green Timbers trail at 140th and 100th. Join the "Green Timbers Clean Machine" for Surrey Clean Sweep Sunday April 14 from 10 am to noon. (Not 11 am). Meet at the Surrey Nature Centre! #greentimbers #greentimbersurbanforest #surreybc

More about the long term viability of cherry and plum trees for our urban setting. Cherry trees safe for now as Vancouver watches effect of climate change on urban forest

https://www.cbc.ca/news/canada/british-columbia/vancouver-cherry-trees-climate-change-1.5078684 -- Cherry trees safe for now as Vancouver watches effect of climate change on urban forest | CBC Newswww.cbc.ca

On Sunday, April 14, from 10 am to noon be part of the "Green Timbers Cleaning Machine" as part of Surrey's Clean Sweep. I've suggested picking up along 140th Street, south of Fraser Highway. Typically there are a few "party" zones or dump sites just inside the bush. Please let me know if you're aware of another area that needs cleaning (there are so many!). Let me know if the comments if you can make it, or contact me at info@greentimbers.cahttps://www.surrey.ca/culture-recreation/28700.aspx

A huckleberry Bush caught in the early morning light. Note the bright green branches getting ready to bud. If you're unfamiliar with these, look for them on top of old "nurse" stumps. #greentimbers #greentimbersurbanforest

Littering squirrels! Here's the "mess" left over after a squirrel's picnic on an old stump in the Green Timbers Urban Forest: bits of pinecones. #surreybc #greentimbers #greentimbersurbanforest

Birding walk at Green Timbers Saturday (March 16) morning. About 40 people looking at arenas, hummingbirds, varied thrushes... the list is long. A lot of fun and educational too. Much recommended! https://www.surrey.ca/culture-recreation/24773.aspx #surreybc #greentimbers #greentimbersurbanforest

I think this is one of those under-rated trees of our urban forests: the vine maple. They really distinguish our forests from elsewhere. Alas, they're slow growing and don't have the same awe inspiring grandeur of a big douglas fir, so aren't protected the same way. #surreybc #greentimbers #greentimbersurbanforest