



# Green Timbers Heritage Society

## Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, November 10, 2020  
Virtual meeting via Google Meet

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<b>Regrets:</b>	<b>0</b>
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### **In Attendance:**

Don Schuetze, Nathan Evans, Nick McMahon

Since we didn't have quorum no motions were passed and the meeting was informational only.

### **Regrets:**

Amy Kim, Bill Potma, Deanna Welters, Jim Foulkes, Leana Kininmont

### **Meeting Called to Order:**

6:30 pm

### **Reports:**

SNAP

See attached.

Our Outreach Team Leader, Jeanette, is creating a video to celebrate SNAP's 20th year anniversary. The video is an opportunity to reflect on and showcase the benefits that SNAP provides for youth and highlight the program's growth and accomplishments. We'd like to include voices from each partner through interviews.

### **Finance**

Financial statements are about 99% done. Temporary Wage Subsidy effects have been accounted for and PD27 paperwork has been filled in and forwarded to Amy for filing with CRA.

GST rebates from 2018 and 2019 fiscal have been filed, accepted, and deposited on October 7.

### **Communications**

#### **BC Hydro assessment work**

October 22, 2020:

BC Hydro will be doing some assessment work (vegetation and geotechnical investigations) in the right-of-way in the Green Timbers/Fraser Highway area related to the proposed SkyTrain project in Surrey starting next week and through November.

Information about the work is included in the attached.

Please email me if you have any questions.

Regards,

Lea Anne Sexton | Stakeholder Engagement Consultant

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BC Hydro

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Text from attachment:

#### **Project Update: Vegetation Management and Geotechnical Investigations**

We're supporting TransLink's proposed Surrey Langley SkyTrain Project ([surreylangleyskytrain.ca](http://surreylangleyskytrain.ca)) by making changes to some of our power lines to ensure there's enough space between them and the proposed SkyTrain. As part of our planning for this work, two assessment activities will take place this fall along the right-of way of these existing power lines. From the last week of October until late November, we'll be on-site in a number of areas for a few days at a time to identify the vegetation management boundaries required for the structure modification work. There'll be people walking on-site taking measurements and marking areas. They may need to do a bit of blackberry brush removal to place survey stakes in the ground. This work will not require any special trucks and will take place during daytime hours. Actual vegetation pruning/removal is planned for early 2021.

In November we'll do geotechnical investigations between structures 32-09 and 32- 13 in our right-of-way. The investigations will take 2 to 3 days during regular construction hours and will include several large construction vehicles on-site. This work may be noisy and you may feel mild vibrations if you're nearby. Impacted soil will be repaired following the work, and we may install small, round steel covers in the ground to protect equipment. This work will ensure that the power lines continue to provide safe and reliable power to residents and businesses in the Lower Mainland and the safe construction and operation of the proposed SkyTrain. If you have any questions about this project, please call 604.623.4472 or email [projects@bchydro.com](mailto:projects@bchydro.com).

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October 29, 2020

**Estate of Susan Lois Lehmann - our file 52185**

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Pertinent part of the letter:

NOW FOR AND IN CONSIDERATION of the covenants and agreements set out below and for other good and valuable consideration, the receipt and sufficiency of which is hereby acknowledged, including the distribution to me of:

- (a) a cheque in the amount of \$5,000.00; and
- (b) office files of the Deceased.

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**From: Adam Murphy <amurphy@naturecanada.ca>**

Date: Mon, Nov 2, 2020 at 8:28 AM

Subject: Would Green Timbers Heritage Society Meet with Your MP About Investing in Nature Protection?

To: greentimberssociety@gmail.com <greentimberssociety@gmail.com>

Hello Don,

I hope all is well. My name is Adam, and I'm an Organizer at Nature Canada. I am reaching out to share with Green Timbers Heritage Society an effort we have underway right now.

We are collaborating with local nature groups across Canada to ensure that nature is part of our country's recovery from COVID-19—and that it receives the federal investment required to protect 25 percent of land and ocean by 2025, and 30 percent by 2030. These goals are critical to mitigating climate change and reversing biodiversity loss, while advancing reconciliation with Indigenous peoples.

To secure necessary investments, we are asking local organizations to meet with their local MP to see if they will support the Green Budget Coalition's recommendations to invest \$4.8 billion over the next 5 years in marine and terrestrial protected areas, as well as Indigenous Protected and Conserved Areas. Note that "the ask" will vary slightly depending on the political affiliation of the MP we are meeting with, but we have accommodated for that in our supporting materials.

We can compel MPs to act on nature's behalf, but first we need show them how important nature is to members of their community. We've developed materials and key messages to support groups every step of the way, and I'm wondering if Green Timbers Heritage Society would consider joining this effort by reaching out to your MP to request a meeting?

Another option, if you would rather not take a meeting, would be to write your MP to request their support for this initiative. We've developed three template letters that organizations could use to reach out to their MP, which, like our ask and key messages, have been tailored to the various parties.

Importantly, we are expecting a mini-budget to be announced in mid-November. I'd be curious to hear your thoughts on this and whether Green Timbers Heritage Society would consider writing to or meeting with your MP in the days ahead?

Please let me know if you have any questions, I'd be happy to arrange a phone call.

Thanks for your time and consideration,

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**From: Crosby, Ken** <KBCrosby@surrey.ca>

Date: Tue, Nov 3, 2020 at 2:46 PM

Subject: RE: GTUF 100 Ave parking lot tree work

To: donschoetze@gmail.com <donschoetze@gmail.com>

Hi Don,

I have a part 2 to the work below. There is an additional 20 trees identified requiring removal.

Details of the additional tree removals:

Located in Green Timbers Park adjacent to 100 Ave,

19 of the 20 trees are dead and 1 tree is dying,

9 of the trees are conifer and 11 are deciduous.

We will plant 40 new trees as compensation, with planting in Green Timbers Park as a priority.

Please let me know if you have any questions.

October 29, 2020:

I have some more hazard tree work required at GTUF around the new and old parking lots off 100 Ave. There are a total of 16 trees that require removal, with 12 dead, 1 dying and 3 extensively leaning trees.

As a part of our compensation program with tree removals, we will be planting 32 new trees. The compensation planting numbers are getting high for GTUF so we may need to look for adjacent natural area park land to find appropriate planting sites for these trees.

Please let me know if you have any questions regarding this tree work. We are planning to start work next week.



**Old Business:**

**PayPal setup:**

Set-up, but a few issues with authenticating Nathan as a director.

**Meetup:**

The mushroom appreciation walk was a success. Nathan stressed that because of the semi-lockdown all walks ensure social distancing and everyone wearing masks. Next walk will be Nov 21 or 22

**SkyTrain along Fraser Highway:**

Translink still doesn't have dates set for public engagement on Skytrain along Fraser Highway. They have to wait for the new cabinet to be sworn in.

**New Business:**

**AGM planning**

AGM: Nov 24 Amy can get a projector

Mailout? - yes, short and sweet.

Virtual meeting component

FB - added as event

Email - done. Will follow up with another.

- Send link with email to ALL.

collecting nominations – change to the day before (Nov 23); then people can vote all day on Nov 24.

casting ballots via email, online, and in-person

**Meeting Adjourned:**

7:12 pm

Next meeting

## Appendix 1: SNAP Update

November 1<sup>st</sup>, 2020

Amy Kim, Program Coordinator

### Past Month:

- The fall SNAP team started work on September 8<sup>th</sup>. We have three Field Team Leaders, each supervising a Field Team Member. Also, we have one Urban Forest Outreach (UFO) Team Leader supervising one UFO Team Member.
- The Field Team has been working some invasive removal but most of their efforts have been put towards restoration plantings. They will be planting around the lake at Green Timbers on October 20<sup>th</sup> and 21<sup>st</sup>, and MP Sarai is coming out for a site visit on October 21<sup>st</sup>. The team will also be planting with the WRSN at Blackie Spit sometime later in October and with the SSAHS at Sunnyside on November 7<sup>th</sup>.
- The UFO Team is continuing to host and rove in parks but with the reduced number of people in parks, they are working on a special project! Healthy Communities within the City of Surrey's Recreation section invited us to host an Online Youth Night. Below is the event description:

#### **Trivia Night with Surrey's Natural Areas Partnership | Thursday, October 15<sup>th</sup> at 7 pm**

Love nature? Join the Surrey's Natural Areas Partnership (SNAP) team to learn about Surrey's urban forest. Test your nature knowledge with fun trivia, connect with others on some of the best parks to visit in Surrey and get tips on how to gain work experience in the environmental field. Prizes to be won. Registration required.

### This Month:

- The Field Team has completed restoration plantings at these parks:
  - Hazelnut Meadows Community Park
  - McLeod Park
  - Hyland Creek Park with the summer SNAP and SHaRP teams
  - Green Timbers Urban Forest
    - They planted 100 native trees and shrubs along the lake, and installed wire fencing to prevent beavers from cutting them down. Many park visitors stopped by to see what they were up to and commented on how the beavers will cut the trees down.
  - Walnut Park with the SHaRP team
- The Field Team provided base maintenance to 233 shade trees in multiple parks.
- The UFO Team continued to host and rove in parks. They hosted Online Youth Night and engaged with seven youth in Surrey – it was a success! The UFO Team Member's last day is October 31<sup>st</sup> and the Team Leader will be continuing until November 27<sup>th</sup> to create a 20<sup>th</sup> Year Anniversary video for SNAP.