

## Crofton Community Centre Society

# Monthly Meeting May 8th, 2025

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### Attendees:

**Members:** Jim Atkinson, Wendy Bentley, Eddie Brooks, Philip Corby, Malcolm Crockett, Andrea Davis, Tracey Donnelly, Charlotte Fisher, Robin Fisher, Steve Fisher, Laurie Hatton, Courtenay Jansens, Marjorie Jones, Doreen Knight, Charles Knitsch, Edward Lebitschnig, Deb Lebitschnig, Karen Lebitschnig, Rick Lebitschnig, Rod Leidenius, Nora Leidenius, Lloyd Lockhart, Daniel Robin, Maria Rose

**Applicants and Guests:** Christopher Justice, Bobbie Joe Dunford, Jerry Brooks.

**Welcome** Meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by President Rick Lebitschnig with Rick welcoming the new board.

**We acknowledge** that we are gathered on the traditional, ancestral and unceded territory of the Coast Salish peoples, specifically the Halalt, Lyakson and Penelakut Nations.

### Approval of the Agenda:

Motion to accept agenda was moved by Dan Robin **M/S/Carried**

**Approval of Minutes** of March 13th monthly meeting- Moved by Wendy Bentley. **M/S/Carried**

**Business arising from the minutes** none.

**Guest Speaker:** Christopher Justice – Councillor

**Presented:** The municipality is aware of the **condition of Adelaide St.** (bumpy, uneven), it is on the priority list, but the funds in the capital program are limited and they are hoping for an increase in the capital asset account are proceeding with caution with their spending.

Concerns about the aggressive **motorcyclists** on our streets and in the forest reserve: There is not much the Muni can do, they are aware and ask that we call the RCMP and Bylaws.

**Remediation of the Slag** at Crofton waterfront is beyond the Muni's ability. If pushed, the Muni will pressure the Provincial and Federal governments. A

petition or focus group would be helpful bringing it to the Muni's attention. Chris proposed a Notice of Motion regarding the slag at the municipal council meeting last night. He asked for history and a report on the slag itself and what is the benefit of removal and asked for recommendations of first steps. This motion will be made in 2 weeks. If passed it will start the process. He asked for letters and attendance at the meeting.

**Charlotte Fisher** – Asked if bylaws could post **signs** at the 2 entrances to the trails on to Robert St. Can we put signage there? In the last 6 weeks she noted the yellow gate on Osborne Bay Rd. Opposite Maple Mountain Park access was left open. She closed it after a couple of days. She phoned it in, it took days to be locked. She also would like 'no firearms' signs at the gates like at the top of Robert St. lake trail entrance and at the other entrances as there is evidence of off season shooting.

**Dan Robin**– Talked to some kids riding **motorcycles**, told them they were being watched and should be not riding on the roads. Has noticed that they swap out drivers on the motorcycles. Dan also believes that in 1902 \$1200.00 was paid to the federal government by the smelter owner to use for slag cleanup.

**Charlie** – How long until **Herd Rd.** is ready near new hospital. **Chris**: Muni will do bridgework at the same time as the roundabout so as not to close the road twice.

**Correspondence:** Thank you note from the Island Wildlife Natural Care Centre on Salt Spring Island.

**Committee reports:**

**Bar:** Tracey Donnelly – Nothing new

**Bursaries:** Robin Fisher –

- Committee has met and decided recipients and will not report until Sept. to keep this a surprise for the students.

**Bylaws:** Rick Lebitschnig – Nothing to report.

**Catering:** Robin Fisher

- Nothing booked in the next couple of weeks
- We have someone interested in heading up catering.

**Entertainment:** Tracey Donnelly

- Strawberry Tea coming up. Waiting for event budget approval from directors.

**Treasurer: Robin Fisher**

- Looking at gas and hydro bills. May explore cost of installing solar panels.
- No more snow removal this year.
- A water problem is being looked at by Lloyd.
- PAC donation was made.
- Year end is done, RBC Report up to date with what she has.
- Lots of rentals which is good for cash flow.

**Maintenance: Lloyd Lockhart**

- Regarding gas and hydro bills, will investigate solar.
- Shed work party to prepaint finishing materials later this week.
- Awaiting MNC negotiations before doing further work.
- OBT – Working on window replacements in common rooms and hall hoping funds coming from BCHC. Gutter and exterior window cleaning work scheduled for Sept.
- Will be working with MNC on drainage for shed project.

**Membership: Rick Lebitschnig**

- 28 attendees tonight
- Will be contacting members not in good standing to fill out new membership forms.
- Thanks Wendy and Charlotte for doing the sign in desk tonight.

**Osborne Bay Terrace: Rick reported for Linda Lockhart**

- Osborne Bay Terrace participated in the annual member teams meeting of all housing providers that use the BC Housing registry database, which is what we access when we have a vacancy, (which we don't currently have), there we will find a BC Housing pre-approved listing of possible tenants to choose from.
- We also use this site to submit subsidy information for tenants. Currently, Osborne Bay Terrace applies for tenant subsidy and collects the same, the tenant pays the difference. This will change in 2028, after BC Housing, tenants will move to a different subsidy system, probably SAFER, where tenants apply for and receive their subsidy direct; Osborne Bay Terrace will collect the approved rent only.
- We are in the process of setting up dates for routine annual maintenance as contractors have long wait lists.

**Rentals: Robin Fisher**

- We have a couple for Sept. and pre-Christmas inquiries.

- We are moving the downstairs rentals to the upstairs for the summer to accommodate Youth Group.

**Seawalk:** Dan Robin – Work party Friday, someone is feeding the birds, so we need to clean up. Still trying to get rid of them. Someone suggested wire mesh.

- Committee meeting next Tuesday downstairs at 6:30
- Plaques are clean, plexi installed, missing plaques are identified and will be put back up. We will likely need another clean up in the fall.
- Muni told of graffiti.
- Someone has removed nuts and is pulling out bolts. Muni has been told.

Marjorie asked if no smoking signs could be put up. Dan will ask MNC.

**Sick & Visiting:** Doreen Knight-nothing right now.

**Special Projects:** MNC working on property line project.

- Looking at getting our piano tuned or borrowing keyboard for Strawberry Tea and other events.

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**New Business:**

- Charlotte asked if we could group reports so all reports given by one person are consecutive for efficiency.
- Dan added that he made an error. The new price for benches will be going from \$500 up to \$1860.

**Next scheduled meeting: Thursday, June 12 at 7:00 pm**

**Motion to adjourn:** Nora Leidenius **M/S/Carried.**

**Recording Secretary:** Tracey Donnelly\_\_\_\_\_

**Approved by:** Rick Lebitschnig\_\_\_\_\_