

# Furry Creek Community Association Board of Directors Meeting

#### 40 Salal Court

Tuesday September 16th, 2025

5:00-7:30 PM

1. Welcome and Opening Remarks: Peter

Meeting started at 5:00 PM

2. Directors in Attendance:

Stephen Campbell

Tony Rainbow SLRD Director

**Brian Moorhead** 

Peter Borup Jakobsen

Paolo Sciancamerli

Rilla Buckley

Marsha Bell

Yuriy Chorny

Jay Haskell

Absent:

Cynthia Christie

- 3. Approval of the Agenda Rilla approved, Brian seconded
- 4. Review and Approval of the previous minutes of July 21<sup>st</sup>, 2025 Paolo approved, Rilla seconded.
- 5. Actions from Previous Minutes
  - a) Update of lamp posts Paolo

The painting of the lamp posts is completed. SLRD has not gotten back to Paolo regarding repairing the flashing on some of the lamp posts. Some lights are going on in

the morning and some in the afternoon. Tony suggested sending a numbered list (lights are numbered) to the company to show some are not turning on. **ACTION- Peter is** going to survey the lights to create a list to send.

## b) Update on Realtor signage and bylaw Peter/Tony

Tony checked and found that there was no bylaw about realtor signs but at the next SLRD meeting they added realtor signs into the bylaws to remove large realtor signs. The realtor was informed. Eventually it was removed and a smaller sign was erected. Tony will check the sign size of the new sign to see it is going against the bylaw.

# c) Update on No Trespassing Sign – Peter/Tony

Tony shared that the location of the sign is on the Ministry of Transport right of way. He sent a letter to Jim Hegan MTO about the issue. He may come out to do something about the sign.

Marsha spoke on the issue. She voiced her opinion that under no circumstances should FCCA ignore or condone the actions of Furry Creek residents who illegally put signs up on property that they do not own. She felt it is illegal plain and simple and the signs should be removed. Furthermore, she shared that recently wire was also erected from a tree to the signs which creates a huge safety issue for residents and their pets and if this wire continues to be put up a call to the RCMP should be made requesting their help with this issue.

Brian voiced his concerns regarding the signage.

Paolo updated the board on the sign and wire, and about the meeting that he set up in late July with Peter, Jorli Ricker, and Glen Watson to discuss a way forward and an amicable solution for the removal of the sign. He further updated the board that he asked for the wire to be removed. The wire was immediately removed upon his request. He informed the board that Glen Watson has met with Fine Peace to discuss the immediate area at the top of Furry Creek Drive. Fine Peace actually owns three residential lots just above the community library shed. Fine Peace have apparently agreed to erect some signage indicating "Private Property" on their access path. Yuriy asked if a FC residents remove the signage and kids went in and started a fire would the residents be liable and it was discussed that the residents would not be liable.

Several residents have presented written and verbal complaints on this issue. The FCCA Board **does not condone** the actions of the two residents who have erected the signs.

The FCCA put forward a MOTION.

The Motion is as follows: SLRD will write a letter to MTO regarding this issue requesting they investigate and put steps in place to remove the signage. Brian approved the Motion and Peter seconded it.

The FCCA put forward a second MOTION.

The Motion is as follows: FCCA will write a letter to the SLRD regarding this issue requesting their help in solving this issue.

Sen approved the Motion and Jay seconded it.

d) Update on Garbage Cans at Mailboxes- Peter The FCCA put forward a MOTION.

The Motion is as follows: FCCA will write a letter to SLRD asking SLRD for support to have Miller Cap service the garbage cans moving forward.

Rilla approved the Motion and Jay seconded it.

e) Update on Porta Potties - Brian/Cynthia

The Porta Potties have been in place for the last three weeks and they have worked great.

Tony suggested a request go to SLRD moving forward asking that the Porta Potties each year be funded from an existing cost centre – open spaces will probably be the best cost centre that can accommodate the request.

ACTION – Cynthia will write a letter to SLRD asking that the Porta Potties be funded annually from an existing cost centre

f) Update on Sidewalks- Paolo

Paolo sent the FCCA Board Members a draft template to be used for requesting funds from SLRD

\$15000 will be requested from the SLRD for sidewalk repairs, likely to be done in 2026 Peter thought the template looked good.

g) Update on Furry Creek Entrance and the dead heather – Rilla Rilla had a meeting with Fine Peace and Rilla sent a note to Patrick and they are currently working on a solution and might need to involve MOT Rilla is waiting for Tony to get back to her about who at Ministry of Highways can tell us who has ownership of the entrance to Furry Creek.

There have been complaints as well about the Furry Creek sign you see driving north on the south side of the highway. It is obstructed and is falling down. Marsha shared an email that came to FCCA from Bill Wissler regarding this and she will reach back to him and let him know that this is being looked into by the FCCA

Erin Walmsley – resident of FC - asked the FCCA if there is a deadline for trimming and removing fire prone trees and Tony said there is no specific deadline.

ACTION – Rilla will write a letter to MOT requesting repairs or replacement of the sign that is falling down as well as a solution to replace the dead heather at the entrance of Furry Creek. It has been suggested that heather not be chosen as the replacement as it will die again if placed in that location.

### h) Update on Green Bin - Peter

It is back up again until the end of October. The community pays for it for the spring and the fall – it is not there in the summer because not worth the cost since it isn't used that much in the summer.

## 6. Monthly Reports

#### a) Finance – Jay

Jay sent the board a report. Not a lot of change. Bank balance is \$10933.00 September payments – Custodial and Dinner in White

FCCA received the \$3500 social grant from SLRD

\$2993.00 left after the Dinner in White

Remaining balance for Custodial is \$364.00 and trail pruning is \$1709.00 for a total of \$2093.00 to be allocated to Custodial

ACTION – Once a budget for next year custodial is determined a request will be made to SLRD to include in open spaces budget.

## b) Social

Dinner in White

Marsha said it was a great success and a lovely evening. The FCCA board thanked Mo and Tony Rainbow for their hard work putting it together.

Oktoberfest – date was changed to September 27<sup>th</sup> due to low numbers.

Cocktails and Conversations -

The September event was cancelled due to unforeseen circumstances

The next Cocktails and Conversations will be Oct 23<sup>rd</sup> at the home of Denise Rittberg.

The December Cocktails and Conversations will be a Christmas one hosted by the Bells on December 9<sup>th</sup>.

Lunch Bunch – The FCCA are going to try to organize a monthly Lunch Bunch. One month it will be scheduled on a weekday for ladies only and the next month it will be scheduled on a Saturday for both ladies and gents. Many people shared an interest for having this event and have put forth a variety of restaurant choices. Marsha will coordinate this monthly event.

#### c) SLRD

Tony said people are putting the wrong items in the blue bins which costs money to sort out.

ACTION- Paolo suggested that FCCA put a notice on the website informing residents that putting the wrong items in this bin costs residents money.

7. Deferred from July meeting – Conditions of Roads and Sidewalks

- It was previously discussed that a request will go to SLRD for sidewalk repairs. ACTION
   FCCA will post on the website that there is no sidewalk parking allowed in Furry
   Creek
- 8. Review of the FCCA website Issues with Accessibility and simplicity- Marsha Marsha shared that she has heard several comments from FC residents that they are not using the website. Marsha has suggested that the website could use some work to make it simpler to use and to be more user friendly.

ACTION – Peter and Marsha will work on some changes to the website and any other Board members who wish to participate in this exercise.

9. New Membership Registration Process- Marsha

Marsha is finding it difficult to navigate the new membership registration process and know who has paid and who hasn't and the registration info needed for the data base. She would like to see some work done to streamline the registration process to make the job of FCCA Secretary a little less difficult. Peter is advocating the use of the website to help with this.

10. Detailed Report and Recommendations for Caretaker Program – Brian

Brian presented the job duties of the caretaker

Brian is happy with the caretaker's performance

Brian recommends this program continue because there is too much work for volunteers Brian recommends this person be hired again next year

Fine Peace has been cleaning the toilets at the beach but the caretaker has been doing them as well

The Caretaker tasks need to be costed by the activity ex. Garbage clean up, trail maintenance. Etc.

FCCA sent out a list of custodial duties last year that we can use that form and reframe it for next year.

ACTION – Peter and Brian will work together to put together a costing for the caretaker program and prepare some numbers for SLRD so that it can come out of the SLRD Open Spaces Budget

- 11. Report on visitor patterns in the Sea to Sky in relation to Furry Creek public amenities Brian presented the Board with some interesting information on this.
- 12. New Business
  - A) Sen requested that SLRD provide the Furry Creek Budget to the FCCA that was promised to FCCA at the AGM. So far, the FCCA has not received it. FCCA requested that Tony follow up on this.
  - B) Horizon Landscaping- Paolo
    There were some issues with the workmen blowing debris back into the resident
    driveways and a few vehicles were damaged. Horizon has been notified and they
    assured FCCA that they are doing more training with their staff to avoid this happening
    in the future
  - C) Sen Emergency Preparedness Manual

Sen prepared and sent out to the FCCA Board a draft of an Emergency Preparedness Manual

It is a living document and can be tied to the website

Community involvement will be needed for the Emergency Preparedness ex. Communication, emergency communications, muster points etc.

Document could be used as a launch point

Document could be shared and coordinated with the fire department and SLRD

Marsha suggested we reach out the Furry Creek Community through the website requesting volunteers to form a committee to work with Sen on this valuable project. **ACTION - Peter said he would put the request on the website** 

D) Sen brought up the issue of new homes to be built in Furry Creek without gas or propane and a discussion took place. Tony disclosed that it was a condition set upon Fine Peace by the SLRD. Sen pointed out that this condition, as virtuously as it may have been intended, was misconceived and inappropriate, in that it places future buyers of said homes needlessly at risk of an alternative energy source for heating and cooking in the all too common case of electrical outages in the area. Sen asked whether it is possible to have that condition retracted?

E) Paolo – Netting needed to protect walkers and drivers along the bottom section of Furry Creek Drive from golf balls.

At golf hole #3 – Paolo is suggesting Fine Peace erect netting at this hole to prevent golf balls from hurting vehicles or people

# ACTION – Paolo asked Rilla when speaking to Fine Peace would she ask them to put up netting at hole #3.

F) Cynthia – Oliver's Landing Issues

Oliver's Landing would like permanent quiet signs erected

Oliver's Landing would like to have 2 porta potties on an annual basis – FCCA is working on that

Oliver's Landing would like a permanent garbage receptable – FCCA asked for her to come back with more specific details for this

ACTION – Cynthia will write letters to the SLRD requesting a permanent garbage bin at Oliver's Landing as well as Quiet Signs for Oliver's Landing

Next Meeting October 16<sup>th</sup> 5 pm at Marsha's house

Meeting adjouned at 7:30 pm