

Protection Island Community Forum on Roads and Transportation
Saturday 6 February, 2010 : 1:30 – 4:00 p.m.
Beacon House

Meeting Notes

Executive Present: Thora Howell, Linda Irvine, Josephine Kenchenten, Michael MacColl, Fred Schloessinger (chairperson), Cathy Tuominen, Veronica Zehntner.

Regrets: David Essig, Brenda Henderson

Approximately 20 other community members attended.

Notes recorded by Peter Frewin & Linda Irvine

1. Opening Remarks Meeting Format:
 - a. Call to Order @ 13:38 - Fred
 - b. Reading of Vision Statement - Fred
 - c. City vs Island Issues Address - Fred
 - d. Summary of Survey Results – Thora
 - i. 50% of responses want changes to road upkeep but not clear what is required
 - ii. 56% of respondents not satisfied with roads
 - iii. Options for improvements will be discussed at this meeting
2. Opening Remarks City Roads:
3. Discussion in small groups:
4. Reconvened 14:07 - Fred
5. Roads - City Related Ideas Presented From Small Groups:
 - a. Parking Circle surface inadequate: prefer harder surface which allows drainage
 - b. Dust/Health Issues: prefer improved dust suppression
 - c. Narrower Roads with defined green boulevards
 - d. Drainage in specific areas: improve storm drains
 - e. Intersection Controls
 - f. Alternative Surface Options (Cobbled Streets in problem areas)
 - g. Weight Bearing Limits: revisit and enforce
 - h. Lighting Location & Technology: revisit and improve
 - i. Road Repair Process: work with city staff to develop a 4 phase plan to be implemented over a specified time period.
 - j. Cutting of Verges: consider asking city not to cut & use those funds for roads
 - k. Engineering Survey/Plans: ask city for copy of report
 - l. Building Permit Bond posted by homeowners or contractors to restore damage: requires better enforcement
 - m. Hole-Away: see below
 - n. Pot Hole repair not up to City standards
6. Fred's remarks re: Hole Away – negative feedback, contract does not cover backhoe, expenses, etc., so is on hold at this time. In the past islanders (Bill Smith/Terry Gordon) were hired on

contract to maintain roads and a similar program could be considered again. City code should be adhered to when fixing potholes. Majority of attendees want permeable roads.

7. Break initiated 14:41
8. Reconvened 14:55
9. Opening Remarks Island Transportation:
10. Discussion in small groups:
11. Reconvened 15:20
12. Island Transportation Ideas Presented by Small Groups:
 - a. Long Term Parking should be enforced at 24hrs and signs should indicate limit
 - b. Co-Ops: Jim Harris and Peter Frewin investigating options
 - c. Utility Vehicles to be moved to allow more space around bike racks
 - d. Develop Long Term Solutions for main concerns: taxi, water access, cobble stones in circle, dog poop issues for walkers, aging population
 - e. Klunk Away: remove unused vehicles
 - f. Survey vehicle owners to determine vehicle needs and what it would take to replace car
 - g. Ferry subsidy: ask City to consider subsidizing or have pass be accepted as bus transfer
 - h. Shared electric vehicle
 - i. Ask car owners to volunteer to make themselves and their cars available to those in need of rides. Car owners would be assigned days and times and this info shared.
 - j. Promote fun 'foot' events
 - k. Restrict new vehicles coming on to island and discourage owning multiple vehicles
 - l. Deal with unlicensed vehicles: better enforcement
 - m. 'Residents Only' Parking Sticker for Circle
 - n. Friendly reminder re: speeding
 - o. Permit for heavy construction vehicles: suggest to City
 - p. 'Identify' vehicles that need to stay longer than 24 hours in circle
 - q. Enforcement??? Fred Monroe, City Bylaws
 - r. Discourage vehicles that jut into circle when parked on roadways
 - s. Put info onto PIRA website about pros/cons of cars on island and 'For Hire' options for transport on roads and water
 - t. Welcome Package for new residents: vehicle usage, other transport options, parking restrictions, heavy vehicles on roads and other useful info
 - u. Boat sharing: encourage
 - v. Land Surveyor to review circle
13. Conclusions: Break Out Committees suggested/formed
 - a. Klunk Away (Formed)- Veronica Zehntner is contact
 - b. Circle (Formed) – Lynn Roberts is contact
 - c. Car Co-Op (Formed) – Jim Harris /Peter Frewin are contacts
 - d. Fun Events (Walk & Roll) - Suggested but not formed
 - e. Vehicle Survey Group – Suggested but not formed
14. Meeting Adjourned 16:07