

Meeting Notes (Actions and Decisions)
Transition Sooke General Meeting
December 2, 2020

1. Motion: Minutes of last meeting (Nov 4, 2020) – approved
2. Motion: Treasurer’s Report – approved
3. Donation to Pocket News – moved by David and seconded by Samantha. Discussion about Britt Santowski’s support of our work. Donation to be a total of \$240 for one year. Approved.
4. Action Items
 - a. Theme: Consideration of how TS is presented to DOS Council and the community. Do we need to rethink our vision and values? Are we collaborating with our allies working for the health of Sooke?
 - b. Letter writing to support what we do in local publications. Lily mentioned the efficacy of using links to pass on important information.
 - c. Bear Proof Bins in Sooke. Samantha suggested that a letter should be sent to the DOS in support of switching to using bear proof bins throughout the municipality.
 - d. Supporting small businesses in Sooke. A working group was formed to tackle this issue as well as dealing with the previous items: Yvonne, Jo, Alan, Oliver, and Robin.
5. Letter to John Horgan MLA re: Site C Dam: Permission granted for Moki to get on to this ASAP and share the letter with active members. A decision is getting very close.
6. DOS committees:
 - a. Climate Action: Moki planning to join this committee.
 - b. Economic Development
 - c. Land use and development: Susan Belford intending to join this committee
 - d. Program for the Arts
7. Report on Sooke Council meetings – Hester reported about several issues that Council is dealing with:
 - a. Clarifying terms of reference for the Climate Action Committee
 - b. New “affordable housing” project in the works
 - c. Extent and growth of GWG emissions tracking
 - d. Zoom Town Hall coming in January, 2021
8. OCP and the Climate Action team – Susan Belford – Team includes Lily, Jo, Alan, Susan C, Chris, Lynn, Oliver, Kief, Cheryl, Christina, Deb, Paula, Diane, Reviewed the “What We Heard” report by Dialog Consultants responding to stakeholders and community.
9. Tree bylaw #795 engagement – Lynn and Alan – Extensive work was carried out by this team under the pressure of tight deadlines to provide a detailed report to Council on December 7.

10. Climate Emergency Reports from other Action Groups. The Transportation group mentioned the introduction of the use of a mini-bus for transit service around Sooke funded by the CRD.
11. District of Sooke Climate Action Committee – Susan C This committee has 9 spots open and a deadline for applications is Dec. 9.

Adjournment

Next meeting – January 6, 2021