

January 2, 2024

Friends of Garibaldi Park Society: January 2024 Open Board Meeting Agenda

Date: Tuesday January 2, 2024 at 7pm

Via Google Meet

In Attendance

Taryn Eyton
Vanessa Arsenault
Carlyle Machinski
Megan Joycey
Emily Freer
Jagwinder Singh

Anthony Downs

Suk Soos

Char Joyce

Regrets

Greg Smolyn
Monika Bittel
Sierra Searing

1. Approval of [November meeting minutes](#)
 - a. approved
2. Call for additional agenda items
 - a. No additional items
3. Review action items from previous meeting
 - a. Taryn will update the listing of our board members and will file with the BC Societies Registry after AGM - **Done**
 - b. Carlyle - Will post the new Garibaldi pictures - **to be done**
 - c. Greg/Taryn will find out who current contact is at BC Parks - **Done will send to Trail Maintenance committee**
 - d. November Trail Maintenance Cancelled and rescheduled meeting for December 12, 2023 - **Done**
 - e. Monika will send Trail Maintenance the link to that information - for tools - **Done**
 - f. Taryn will wait to have meeting with Dylan before filing the FOI - will wait till the end of the year if we do not get the information - will update in slack - **talk about in Advocacy**
 - g. Taryn and Monika will meet with sub committee on plowing issue this later this week. Will need help on social once we figure out the plan on the plowing. - **talk about in Advocacy**
 - h. Taryn will send this Float Plane Restriction link to Paul and FMCBC and Con to their email list. **Done**
 - i. Greg - make a list of bills coming due - **to be done**

- j. Discussion Financials and Board Member contributions needed to pay our bills in Jan - **talk about tonight**
 - k. Taryn to discuss with Jackie Williams her thoughts on what is happening with the park. Taryn will update what if anything comes of the meeting. - **talk about tonight**
 - l. Open Board Meeting skipped in Dec. - **done**
4. Trail maintenance committee update - Jagwinder/Greg/Anthony
- a. Talked about doing a winter event, are board members available, in late March 2024, no location decided. Maybe Elfin or finish Garibaldi Park trail markers. Will have to see about snow pack, likely will have a low snow pack this year. There are a couple vehicles that can handle the snow and have chains. This would be a board member event only.
 - b. We gave BC Parks our volunteer hours and asked about receipts
 - c. Trail Maintenance to create similar document regarding - availability and interest in leading hikes/which hikes in the summer and send it to Board Members.
5. Advocacy Committee Update - Taryn
- a. Phone call with Dylan at BC Parks in early Dec 2023 to get numbers reservation/day pass numbers. There are a lot of computer issues, and we were told that this is not a pressing issue at BC Parks right now, and there are lots of other pressing issues so he is not going to be getting to this anytime soon. They do not have the data and it's not easy to get.
 - i. Action: we will file the freedom of information knowing that we will get limited information.
 - b. Rubble Creek plowing - we had the sub committee and process set up but this is a non issue as the snow line is so high/no snow.
 - c. Garibaldi at Squamish update - proposed ski resort: the company has gone into bankruptcy so things have greatly slowed down and if they do not meet the deadline of starting construction by 2026 then they will lose all their approvals and will have to start from square one.
6. Indigenous Liaison committee - Taryn
- a. Update on meeting with Jackie Williams: an elder of the Squamish Nation, not an elected official or part of the hereditary chiefs, but highly involved in advocacy work. We talked about some connections we could make, her son at the Cheakamus Center, we could go on a walk and talk about ways to be more informed. She is happy to be part of FOGPS advocacy, not able to do trail maintenance as she is an elder.
7. Treasurer update - Megan
- a. 2023 recap - statements are good.
 - i. Taryn is owed money and Alex is almost paid up. We have the means to pay everyone out completely. But will likely not cover future costs.
 - ii. Greg to let us know on upcoming bills.
 - iii. Megan to post financial statements in slack.
 - b. 2024 member dues
 - i. \$30/each board member last year with 10 Board members and this year we are at 9 members. Monika and Suk want to pay the dues even though they aren't on the board.

- ii. We will finalise the member dues amount in the Feb 2024 meeting and they will be due two weeks after that meeting.
 - iii. If we can advertise a bit and get us even \$50-\$100 would help us cover 2024 costs.
- 8. Website and IT update - Greg
 - a. No Update
- 9. Social media update - Carlyle
 - a. Carlyle will post a couple of Garibaldi pictures and she will try to do one monthly post on dues or something that funds could go too.
 - b. If trail maintenance could lock down some dates then we can post - even if we have to move it last minute.
 - c. We could post about the Eflin Lakes road, what are the conditions and accessibility.
- 10. Any additional agenda items - none
- 11. Reminder of upcoming meeting dates:
 - a. Next open board meeting Tuesday Feb 6 at 7pm - all regular attendees have a recurring Google Meet calendar invite
 - b. Trail Maintenance: Tuesday Jan 9 at 7pm [2nd Tuesday of the month]
 - c. Advocacy: Wednesday Jan 17 at 7pm - NOTE now on Wednesdays
- 12. Action items
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 - c. Megan to post financial statements in slack.
 - d. We will finalise the amount of member dues in the Feb 2024 meeting and they will be due two weeks after that meeting.
 - e. Carlyle will post a couple of Garibaldi pictures and she will try to do one monthly post on dues or something that funds could go too.
 - f. If trail maintenance could lock down some dates then we can post - even if we have to move it last minute.
 - g. People to get Carlyle information on Eflin Lakes road, what are the conditions and accessibility, chain up area and parking lot to post on Social Media.
 - h. Trail Maintenance to create similar document regarding - availability and interest in leading hikes/which hikes in the summer and send it to Board Members.
- 13. Highlights to share on social/newsletter - TBD