**Mt. View Colquitz Community Assoc. – mountviewcolquitz.ca**

**Regular Meeting, Sept. 19 , 2023**

**7:00 – 9:00 pm Pearkes Recreation Center, 3100 Tillicum Road - Owen Room**

**Draft Minutes**

Attendance: S. Andrews, T. Andrews, D. Gee, C. Hamill, N. Heilke, S. Laming, F. Nelson, R. Nelson, D. Oostland, A. Van Horn, guests: M. Barros, Louise Peluso, Luigi Peluso, K. Rizzo, V. Rizzo, C. Rossell, C. Winter

**Presentation** 7:00 – 730 3383 Harriet Rd/3442-44 Whittier Ave. 3 lots rezoning application Vincent Rizzo - Rizzo Developments Ltd. Presentation and questions approx. one hour - application information posted on website

separate summary provided below

Regular meeting begun 8PM C.Hamill, S. Laming, F. Nelson, D. Oostland, A.Van Horn, C. Winter remained for meeting

Meeting conducted in informal manner. Minutes of previous regular meeting (June 2023) distributed and accepted

**Reports**

 Treasurer provided written report

 SCAN (Saanich Community Assoc. Network) D. Oostland reports there was no Sept. meeting C. Hamill reported it was

 worthwhile to volunteer at the SCAN booth at the Uptown Multicultural Festival.

 Mt. View Garden Work party for Saturday, Oct. 7 to do weeding.

**Correspondence (and news)**

 **Raymond Area Lawn Party series was a great success**

 **C-6DE zoning amendments more information in the fall, pilot pre-zoning project to begin this fall**

Uptown tower presented at ADP meeting details on website

**Old Business and business arising from agenda**

 **Pets and Parks policy residents concerns - Saanich decision not yet made**

 Sustainable Saanich Official Community Plan update - move to next meeting agenda

 760 Tolmie Ave. project, ADP presentation (Sept. 6) and Open House (Sept. 14)

 project appears to be ready to go to council, there is the addition of a community amenity idea in the form of

 an ‘Oak St Plaza’ Community members have not been consulted on their support of this amenity

 ACTION C. Hamill will send comments to Planning

**New Business**

 meeting on Oct. 17 to include update from Caitlin Bird re Raymond St. S site

 AGM Nov.21 - ACTION C Hamill will canvas members on choice of guest speaker

 D. Oostland will arrange for advertising

**3383 Harriet Rd. and 3442/3444 Whittier Ave. rezoning presentation at MVCCA meeting Sept. 19, 2023**

 **notes prepared by Carol Hamill**

 **Total meeting attendance was 16 people, six of whom were with the presenter’s project.**

**The number of local neighbours in attendance was seven. The MVCCA meeting notice was hand delivered to approx. 25 neighbours and emailed to our contacts list.**

 **Generally the design was welcomed and only one person, the neighbour to the south, expressed concerns for privacy. Discussion about the public walkway, bike storage, tree replacement and frontage on Harriet resulted in general support. The issue of parking remains a concern with some residents, with the presumption that both residents and visitors will park on the streets. It was suggested that the developer consider ideas to reduce operating costs such as solar panels. Our understanding of the draft project plan, has been posted on the MVCCA website.**

 **There are important neighbourhood improvements that Saanich should be aware of, such as the need to complete the sidewalk, past three properties, to the Boleskine Rd. corner where residents access transit.**

 **The community association members in attendance are supportive of the project. We would like to see want incentives can be put into place to reduce the need for ownership of a car by renters. We appreciate that the developer has engaged in real dialogue at this early stage in the rezoning process.**