

MAP: Sept. 6, 2025 0906-1010

Location: Community Hall, deck

Attending: Niall, Peter E., Don W., Karl (& Max ;), Peter P., Lisa, Dave H., Christa

Regrets: Helgi, Else J.,

Regular Meeting Items:

1. Approval of Agenda (new permalink)
<https://npengineering.ca/MAP/blog/next-meeting/>
2. Previous minutes - now on new blog :
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3. Finance (Dave)
 - a. Accounts update:
 - i. General: 827.81
 - ii. Bus: 4620.59
 - iii. Trails: 1832.15
 1. Recently paid \$168 for new sign on Monty/Molly trail
 - b. Income sources
 - i. Membership renewal
 - ii. PIPRC community grants
 - iii. TV Spirit board
 - c. On going expenses
 - i. Get professional web help ?
4. Pender Post articles:
 - a. Ideas welcome
5. Status Reports:
 - a. Car Stops -
 - i. Schooner Way bench placement determined for ball park
 1. And Medicine Beach Market
 2. Placement once construction closer to completion
 - ii. **New** : bench at Southridge damaged
 1. Repair underway by Niall
 - a. Needs re-assembly
 2. Emcon contractor (Tyrone) removed the base !!!
 - a. Complained to Emcon, got apology and couple replacement saddles
 - b. Re-install ?
 - i. Discussion agreed better at Medicine Beach.
 - iii. Maintenance: Tyrone felt Car Stops had been abandoned
 1. Agreed room for improvement
 - a. Mt. Norman sign needs straightening
 - b. Sign washed out at Auchterloine north bound
 - c. Shabby chairs at many stops

- i. Some discussion about whether chairs should be allowed/provided
 - ii. Opinions differ, MOTI previously insisted any benches are fixed to a foundation
 - b. GITS - no news
 - c. Trails:
 - i. Monty's + Molly's trail :
 - 1. Trail sign installed by Karl in Community Hall parking lot
 - a. Beside lamp post to minimize chance of damage
 - ii. VHF:
 - 1. Cedar signs to be made by Lisa/Peter to emphasize PUBLIC nature of the trail, encourage users.
 - iii. George Hill East: insurance issue with Edgewood still to be resolved
 - 1. Leave for now
 - iv. School Trail (Rob)-
 - 1. Construction started, aiming at November completion
 - 2. Publicity event Sept. 12 @ 1 pm
 - a. other SGI trail advocates have been invited
 - v. Bedwell Hbr Rd <-> Ketch connector
 - 1. Any updates ?
 - d. GINPR Liaison (Niall)
 - i. Letter to E. May got a response from Parks superintendent
 - ii. Meeting planned with Niall and PC staff for Sept. 12, 9 am
 - 1. E. May interested in hearing update at town hall meeting that evening
 - e. PIPRC Liaison (Rob/Andrea/Lisa) - see above

6. Other Business

- a. Galiano eBus (2)
 - i. Peter E. in process getting funding details from Mike Hoebel
 - ii. Discussion of operating costs, volunteer drivers
 - 1. Mayne been operating 12 years with only volunteers
 - 2. Generally easier the less service that is provided, find a working balance
 - 3. On call, flagging by users instead of frequent schedules
 - iii. School now has eBus !
- b. Taxi Saver Program:
 - i. Someday a report is expected (Melody, Peter P)
 - ii. Peter estimates could run for minimal costs, supporting 130 users
- c. Notes for Rob Botterrel still to be summarized (Niall)
- d. EV charger at Drift to be updated to Plunk units soon
 - i. Further delays, someday ?
- e. Website:
 - i. Removing Wix branding on main site will be ongoing cost (account upgrade)
 - ii. Prefer independent site and hosting, follow FOGI model ?

1. \$150/yr hosting plus webmaster as required

f. *New* (Don)

- i. Proposed speed limit reduction for portion of Privateers/Schooner
 - 1. Past Boat Nook
- ii. Local is circulating petition to take speed from 50 to 30 km/hr
- iii. Wider discussion for signage of 40 km/hr “suggested” speed limit
- iv. *Patience on the road, not in the office !*

7. Next Meeting: currently scheduled for Oct. 4, 2025.

- a. 9 am working so far ... ?
- b. Niall will be away