Transition Sooke Minutes and Financial Report for February 14, 2024

- 1. Welcome/land acknowledgement/check-in 10 members attending
- 2. note taker—Bernie
- 3. addition to the agenda by Chris, agenda accepted
- 4. Minutes from 10 January 2024 moved Paula 2nd Gord accepted
- 5. Financial report: as attached. moved Lily 2nd Lynn accepted
- 6. Action items from previous meeting:
 - contact Ashley Green @EMCS re: alternative energy event: postponed
 - AGM plans (THURSDAY March 28):
 - Harbourside common room booked
 - Steve Unger invited to speak
 - David Mallet has volunteered as election manager
 - call for candidates for the steering committee
 - Paula offered a "Pepper's Ghost" brief workshop
 - call for volunteers to bring food/refreshments
 - donations will be requested at the meeting to cover room rental costs
 - Alan brought forward for discussion changing from all board volunteers being acclaimed if under the maximum number of directors to requiring a ballot.
 - Discussion around the room
 - moved to change to secret ballot for directors: moved Alan 2nd Jo motion passed
 - membership renewal report: 1 person declined renewal and two more people have joined.
 - How Then Shall We Live event 03 March:
 - Susan recapped committee work to date
 - advertising and news release to go out soon
 - posters/mini posters available
 - poster is on Facebook and the TS homepage
 - targeted invitations are going out
 - check with Lily for posters
 - Volunteer call for the event:
 - greeters, sale table, refreshments, and strong backs for set up and take down
 - Planned events for day recapped:
 - Shirley Alphonse to do a water blessing
 - Dahr Jamail speaks
 - follow-up by community facilitators in small groups
 - Allie Pickett
 - Gord Wallace
 - · Kyra Lazzar
 - SRCHN food security resource person Dani Stancer
 - · snacks catered by Café Vosino
 - postering volunteers assigned
- 7. Steering Committee Report:
 - How Then event: covered above
 - voting at AGM: covered above
 - applied for a table at Seedy Saturday
 - next facilitators:
 - · March: Susan B
 - April: Bernie

- 8. Action Group reports:
 - Local Government group: under construction
 - Zero Waste
 - repair cafe 25 February
 - members helping with HTSWL event
 - March: another swap at the library
 - 10 March: ZWS providing hot chocolate at the Surfrider ocean clean-up event
 - Sustainable Agriculture and Food email report:
 - site assessment done
 - meeting with DoS later in February
 - post site approval, a number of projects begin around garden design
 - met with DoS and discussed steps. Submission to council put off by DoS until a new CAO is in place
- 9. Community groups report:
 - SICAN:
 - encouraging Saanich to join the sue Big Oil movement
 - DoS also approached to join
 - Re-imagine Colwood:
 - community meeting went well. Another to occur in March/April
 - View Royal
 - Mayor is pushing for an urban forest bylaw
 - Bill 44 issues—VR is requesting an Auditor General review
 - CENIC:
 - family park walk on Family Day 19 February
 - Earth Day awards planned
 - · speaker series
 - WECAN:
 - there are ~320 people registered for the Climate Action Provincial Assembly
 - an open letter to the Premier has led to a 15 minute meeting
 - NDP is planning to focus on "middle class" and health care issues
- 10. New Business
 - we've applied for a Seedy Saturday table. Looking for ideas around our presence
 - Lion's Sooke-arama is being held on April 20th and is open to participation by non-profits
 - request a table for the District of Sooke Earth Day celebration to be held on April 27 at the Farmer's Market
 - Ella Creek
 - several people have hiked up the stream to see what is happening
 - The story being sent to the Mirror has paid off: Chis is to be interviewed on the issue
 - council has still not acted on the issue
 - 606 Water Group will be reporting the issue to provincial water protection
- 11. adjourned @ 8:45

Current Account Balances:

Account Name	Balance
Transition Sooke Core Funds (100)	*\$3,472.82
Sooke Community Garden (101)	\$3,500.00
Zero Waste Sooke (102)	\$3,164.30
Special Events (103)	\$0

Details:

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Transition Sooke Core Funds (Account #100)_	
Opening Balance	\$ 1,281.21
PICS grant for our March event \$2,500.00	
Donation from member \$ 100.00	
Donation from member \$ 20.00	
Donation from member \$ 100.00	+ 2,720.00
Expenses: Microphone \$ 78.39 Rise-Up donation (email) \$ 50.00	- 128.39
TOTAL	\$3,872.82

*Accounts Payable:

\$300.00 set aside in the bank account, only to be used for next year's Art Contest. \$100.00 set aside in the bank account, only to be used for a future "Youth Activity."

Amount available for expenditures: **\$3,472.82** (\$3,872.82 currently in the bank minus \$400.00 set aside for Art Contest and Youth Activity).

Sooke Community Garden (Account #101):

Opening Balance:	\$3,500.00
No income or expenditures in Nov.	

Zero Waste Sooke (Account #102)

Opening Balance \$3	3,164	.30)
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Anticipated Income: Grant from CRD for Clean-up Day	\$516.64
Bill to pay: Sooke News Mirror ad for Yarn Swap	\$207.38