

GCPS Progress Report May, 2016

- Bob and I completed a spring cleanup at the Cemetery. This consisted of:
 - o Sweeping all the headstones;
 - o Bob filled the grave of Jack Elder which collapsed last fall;
 - o We planted three clumps of lily of the valley which we dug out of our garden at home (they seem to have taken well);
 - o Bob used permanent, non-fade black markers and re-lettered the graves of Hattie McBride and George Clark Fraser. They look amazing!! Thank you, Bob!

- Todd gave Bob the \$12.00 he collected from our last recycle and we gave him 2 more bags. He's already turned those in for \$13.00 and has given the GCPS the money. Thank you, Todd, for doing this sticky job for us!

- Bob and I managed to borrow 19 aerial photos (1947/48) from Danny Wong who works for the Geographic Information Centre, Department of Geography, University of British Columbia. The cost was \$94.50 (including \$15 for a courier charge and GST). Bob has reimbursed me for this from cash he had from the Society. Bob made high resolution copies of the photos and took them to Murv who will be going over them all to see if he can find the Bromley Trail. We only had 7 days to borrow them and that wasn't enough time for Murv (hence the copying). Murv has couriered them back to UBC and the GCPS will reimburse him for the charges for that.

- Bob and I have been working to get all the documentation together so that the GCPS will be granted a License of Operation for the Cemetery. This was quite time consuming and detailed work so I sent copies of the Proposed Bylaws and map Bob created to all members of the GCPS. Now we need to go over your thoughts and make a final version that can be sent out. As well, I have copies of the necessary forms for you to look at.

- If we are granted the License of Operation, we will need to have a cleanup crew at the Cemetery one day. I would like to tidy up the Valley View area as it will be a scattering place and there are some concrete pieces in there. We will also need a couple of signs made if we are approved. I think it would be important to have a section on the GCPS website dedicated to information regarding the Cemetery.