

**Minutes of DIRA Board of Directors Meeting**  
**October 7, 2013**

Present: Frank Frketich, Doug Wright, Ron Shepherd, Denise MacKean (recording)  
Regrets: Bob French and Laurie Montemurro

1. Additions to the agenda: Insurance and MADD signage. **Motion** to adopt the agenda **Carried.**
  2. **Motion** to approve the minutes of September 3, 2013 **Carried.**
  3. Discussion of a Generic Website for Denman Island: Frank had a suggestion from Simon Palmer of Denman Works! that DIRA set up such a site by applying for a grant facilitator whose costs would be carried by Denman Works! The grant would cover the site set-up and perhaps maintenance of the site and it would run under the auspices of DIRA. The Board does not see how this would add a lot to the already existing Denman Websites and suggests Simon needs more feedback from various island groups to assess the need. Frank will re-visit this with Simon and drew our attention to Hornby's site run by their Economic Enhancement group.
  4. Service agreements and Schedules from CVRD: Frank has met with Parks and Trails for their input and sent Bill Mee Park's for them to review. Parks and Trails have reservations about their ability to fulfill the requirements in the schedules without some financial help. Ron feels CVRD is trying to formalize the down-loading of their responsibilities to DIRA and this should be kept in mind. Frank has changed the Parks schedule to address the committee's reservations and will ask for their comments. Risk-management on the properties was discussed.  
Doug suggested we would like to ask for funding in 2014 to support our Parks (\$2000) and Trails (\$2000) committees. Frank will send the three revised agreements to CVRD. **Motion** to ask the membership to agree to ask CVRD for \$2000 for Parks and \$2000 for Trails **Carried.**
  5. Constitutional changes: Bert Taylor and Frank have revued the constitution and made some changes. The duties of the Director positions of Chair, Treasurer and Secretary need better definitions and the President has too much to do at present. The suggested changes will be circulated to the Board for comments.
  6. A cheque for \$1500 was sent to DIRA to cover costs of the aerial right of way along Denman Road and this will be forwarded to the Old School.
  7. John Miles was approached to fill a Board position but declined expressing possible interest another year.
  8. Insurance: Frank notified Axis Insurance about Transition Denman's DIRA affiliation and Axis is reviewing their Terms of Reference. He will clarify with Axis that Bill Mee Park is a CVRD Park. DIRA should have periodic maintenance and safety inspection coverage there. Doug understands from our policy that our volunteers should presently have up to \$3 million in coverage. Ask Axis what does our policy really mean.
  9. Pesticide Free Committee is planning the use of CVRD's money. They plan to hire 2 people pulling Broom for 2 days and ask the community for needy areas, have a workshop and advertise these events.
  10. MADD (Mothers Against Drunk Driving) wants to put up signage at the ferry to ask people to call 911 if they see an impaired driver. Frank will get the reaction of the membership and get back to the Ferry Advisory Committee.
- Meeting Adjourned.

