

Minutes of DIRA Board of Directors Meeting July 7, 2014

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

Meeting was called to order. Agenda additions: DIRA finances, Website discussion and Membership Drive.

Motion to adopt the agenda **Carried.**

Motion to approve the Minutes of June 2nd Board Meeting **Carried.**

Protection of Denman Foreshore and DIRA's action on this issue was discussed. The goeduck culture has been questioned and we are not sure if the new action is on existing leases (where it may be allowed) or is on new leases. We decided this is not a problem DIRA can deal with at the moment.

Laura Pope asked if we would support the closing off of beach access north of the ferry when work is complete there. Frank will ask about entrance to the beach at the new dock facility.

Sailing and Paddling Club: Axis Insurance said the group would need a separate policy from DIRA. The premium would be \$750/yr. with certain restrictions. We will pass this over to the club members to decide on the next move. The Terms of Reference for the club will be ready for next week's meeting.

A grant to help with building accessibility for handicapped people was investigated by Margie and there seemed to be no interest in pursuing this now. At one time DIRA offered to sponsor if the need and capacity were there.

B.C. Parks Insurance Agreement: The main document is not open to change but Schedule B can be modified. The Trails and Parks committees seem satisfied with the agreement. Bob would like a statement from them that they are more flexible "outside" the agreement.

Motion that the DIRA Board recommends the approval of the insurance agreement with BC Parks based on the committees' acceptance. **Carried.**

New lease for the Community Dock: Doug and Frank filled out the lease application which would need approval from all the interested groups again. The temporary lease stays in place until a new one is signed. We will try for a meeting with 1st Nations to move the process along. Lands Title Office issued our first lease without outright refusal from First Nations. Doug suggests we let the present tenure be extended. It was suggested a letter go to the First Nations group in Comox to ask for their O.K.

Placement of a new boat ramp will await the building of the new ferry dock. DIRA will not pay any of the costs.

DIRA Finance was brought up by Doug who wishes to resign as Treasurer. Ron volunteered to do the background "paper work" involved in that job and Doug will remain the official treasurer

and cheque signer.

DIRA Website was reviewed by Frank and Anne Page and they did some up-dating. We have about 60 signed-up members under our new constitution. Margie agreed to take over the job of memberships with a table at the store and maybe at the Market. She had several helper volunteers.

Meeting adjourned.