

Minutes of the Denman Island Residents Association (DIRA) Board of Directors meeting held
March 2, 2015

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

Apologies: Frank Frketich

Visitor: Alan Danks

Meeting was called to order.

Motion to adopt the agenda with additions (Laura – Money and Boathouse, Doug – Financial review) Carried.

Motion to approve the minutes of the February 2, 2015 Board meeting was Carried.

Alan Danks discussed the reserve fund of \$35,000 possibly being available for the cross-island trail. He suggested better minutes when we meet with CVRD. We now need to determine where the \$35,000 should be spent. Alan brought up ideas to the Trails Committee and they liked the Cross Island idea.

Bob French reviewed Parks and Trails “standing budget” of \$2000 each year. CVRD said they wanted this as a budgetary allotment not a grant.

Operational Contingency Funds: A letter will go to CVRD to clarify these amounts for Parks, Trails, 10% administration and the \$1500 Pesticide Free amount agreed to at the Feb. 18th meeting.

Parks Committee’s letter sent out concerning the Northlands Park access, which left out a preview by DIRA Board. Parks could report this sort of thing to a General Meeting.

Letter to CVRD re: sewer plan: The DIRA membership at the Feb. General Meeting voted to send the letter.

Guardians of Denman Shores committee notice of Motion for the March General Meeting: Frank concerned about their initiative. He wants to hear about legal implications.

Candidates willing to stand again: Denise, Ron and Doug willing to stand. Laurie and Margie will make sure legal ads are in the Grapevine and Frank may do an article.

Laurie spoke to Wendy Burne (CVRD) about how money is channeled to DIRA. She said a single cheque could go to DIRA for all committees all at once. DIRA Board should take this up after our AGM in April to work out a new financial arrangement.

Laurie has gotten an inquiry about having a “lock-up” boat facility at one of our boat ramps. It was suggested she should approach Bill Mee committee or the Dock committee to find a site.

Financial discussion: Doug showed us the new format for financial reporting and wants to get the financial review for last year done as soon as possible. Ron reported that the computer and software has been bought.

Meeting adjourned.