

MINUTES of the meeting of the Denman Island Residents Association (DIRA) held on Monday, March 11, 2013 in the Back Hall, located at 1196 Northwest Road, Denman Island, BC, commencing at 7:30 pm.

Present:

Chair	Frank Frketich
Executive	Doug Wright
	Bob French
	Bert Taylor
	Denise MacKean (minute taker)
	Anne Page

Apologies:

Call to order: 19 people in attendance.

Motion that the agenda be approved was **carried**.

Motion to approve the minutes from February 18, 2013 as presented was **Carried**.

Executive Report:

Frank reminded members of our upcoming AGM in April. It will include financial review, committee reports and election of new Board members. He invited people to consider joining the Board . We are also looking for 3 members for the Community Grant committee from the community at large not necessarily DIRA members.

Frank reminded the meeting that the Board is in the process of negotiating a service agreement with the CVRD and is sending a copy of the agreement with committee schedules that the Board is satisfied with to them tomorrow. Any final agreement will need approval of the membership. It will be on the DIRA website well in advance of this decision.

Doug Wright introduced a motion to change our year-end financial reporting date making our reporting period April 1st to December 31. He **Moved** that the membership approve a 9 month financial reporting period for 2012 in order to harmonize DIRA's general financial reporting with that of its committees. **Carried**.

Business arising from the minutes:

Website posting policy: Frank pointed out some small changes from the policy presented at our Feb. 18th meeting to reflect suggestions made at that time. **Moved** that the membership approve the DIRA website posting policy. **Carried**.

Regarding Transition Denman Island a **Motion** was made That the membership approves Transition Denman Island's request to become a committee of DIRA. Further that TDI's bank account becomes a sub-account of DIRA's account with DIRA having signing authority. Discussion followed. Will their projects need membership approval? They will be guided by their terms of reference in all but major decisions. Also, will all committees now be expected to have their bank accounts handled by DIRA? Frank replied that this is not a policy now but DIRA does have overall responsibility so needs some oversight. TD's present activities will go on as usual. Is their main reason for wanting this move one of insurance? Herb Jones replied that was only one aspect but community visibility is also important. Bert **Moved** an amendment to the motion that DIRA membership approve the motion above subject to their approval of TD's Terms of Reference by the DIRA membership at a later date. **Carried**. The original motion as amended was **Carried**.

New Business: none

Committee Reports:

Community Dock: The dock flood-light is repaired.

Trails: The old bike jumps have been removed in Boyle Point Park. The committee also put in a barrier to block one entrance to that Park to vehicles.

Pesticide Awareness: \$152 check came to them from Denman Hardware for Broom-Puller rentals and the committee expects to replace those broken from over use.

Swim Dock has a tree down on the trail and that committee or DCA will attend to it.

Liaison Reports:

Denman Works! Are now separate from Hornby as regards their Service Agreement so our tax funds will come directly to Denman. This process created a large reduction in CVRD overhead costs in their new budget which may be a “one off” event but welcome. Denman Works! Meets April 5th and all are welcome.

Islands Trust: David Graham reported on the Trust's historical involvement regarding the Cross Island Trail and the CVRD Greenways Plan. The APC will be sorting through materials regarding this connection as a future project.

Ferry Advisory committee meets on April 5 on Denman and Frank will report to DIRA from that meeting at our April AGM.

Motion to adjourn Carried.

Minute taker:

Chair:

Denise MacKean

Frank Frketich