

# **DIRA Annual General Meeting, April 11, 2016 Back Hall,**

Meeting called to order at 7:45

Present: Frank Frketich, Chairperson, Denise Mackean, Doug Wright, Ron Shepherd,  
Laurie Montemurro, Minute Taker

44 Members Present

1. Motion to adopt the agenda Passed

2. **Motion to approve the minutes of March 14 General mtg. with the amendment as follows: to remove the comment regarding a special meeting to overturn the executive decision**

Passed

3. Executive Report

a. **Motion to approve the appointment of Lyndsey Jennings to the bookkeeper position for the Waste Management and Bottle Depot functions.** Passed.

Leslie Dunsmore will be stepping down once Lyndsey is versed in her role.

b. The Telus cable lies close to the Community Dock. DIRA has been in communication with Telus regarding the appropriate action for fulfilling this agreement. Telus has responded and this communication has been sent to the Dock Committee for their consideration.

c. DIRA Liaison for construction of the Boat ramp: this position started when BC Ferries approached Frank Frketich in his role as the DIRA representative on the Ferry Advisory Committee.

**Motion that Frank Frketich be the DIRA liaison for the duration of the boat ramp construction.** Passed

4. Old Business. None

5. New Business:

**Motion that the DIRA membership supports the Dock Committee Recreation Grant request for \$4,000.** Passed

6. DIRA Chairperson's year-end report

7. Election for DIRA Executive:

Directors staying on the Board: Denise Mackean, Ron Shepard, Laurie Montemurro  
New Directors voted to the Board: Doug Wright & Frieda Werden.

8. Annual Year-end Financial Reports:

a Bill Mee Park: 2016 budget very similar to 2015 with the exception of repairs costs due to vandalism, estimated at \$2,000.

**Motion to accept the Financial Report** Passed

b Waste Management Committee

**Motion to accept the Financial Report** Passed

c Old School Committee

Main source of income is rent. Main expenses are insurance and replacing the windows on the north side of the building.

**Motion to accept the Financial Report** Passed

d DIRA Treasurer

A consolidated financial statement for the CVRD needs to be completed. Total funds of 12,732.80 as of December 31 2015.

**Motion to accept the Financial Report** Passed.

e. Dock Committee

Revenue is moorage fees and a grant in aid for security cameras Moorage is increasing each year.

**Motion to approve the Financial Report** Passed

f Denman Island Volunteer Fire Department

Denman Island has the most cost effective of all the CVRD Fire Departments.

**Motion to approve the Financial Report** Passed

9. Annual Reports from DIRA committees

Community Dock: Increased moorage this year due to installation of 2 buoys for community rent. The Committee received 50% of investment back in this first year. There are a few problems with users not paying their moorage fees. Any suggestions for dealing with this would be appreciated. A draft of the camera policy has been provided for the Executive's consideration. The cameras focus solely on the lease property. Looking at the idea of a warfingher but the expense is a consideration.

Parks: Very active and happy group with 7 to 11 members plus CVRD Parks staff attend monthly meetings. The provincial process is glacial with the management plan, as in there is still not one in place. Once there is one in place then more funds can be allocated. Every Park entrance is now signed

Thanks to Jack Forysth for maintaining the Boyle Point outhouse.

Thanks to Ron Shepard for maintaining the stairs at Morning Beach.

All of the CVRD parks are in good shape. A map detailing the trails in the North end is located at the Railway March kiosk.

Trails: report submitted with this add on: Thank you to Alan Danks for his leadership and commitment.

Graham Lake Swim Dock: Chris Taylor has retired from his role. Laurie Montemurro will monitor the dock and submit an application for a recreation Grant.

Wildlife Advisory: consists of Cindy Critchley, Peter Karsten, Chris Danks, Mike Nestor, Dennis Forsyth and auxiliary members. Please contact one of these people if you are interested in joining. There has been an increase in dog harassment this year, a decrease in hunting incidents. Fewer distressed animal calls this year also.

Pesticide Free: report submitted.

Transition Denman: report submitted.

Marine Guardians: report submitted.

Waste Management: reports submitted.

## 10. Liaison Reports

a. Island's Trust: The next meeting is next Tuesday. The first Trust Council meeting was on Hornby 3 weeks ago where they passed a budget of \$7.2 million. They approved a new temporary position for someone to interact with the government, industry, the First Nations and Marine Conservation groups. Denman was well represented by three delegations there. The Trust is making slow but sure progress.

c. Ferry Advisory Committee: The next meeting will be on Hornby on May 11th. Friday sailings will resume at peak schedule service starting the May long weekend through to Thanksgiving.

d. VIRL: This dedicated liaison person has been trying to bring a public library to Denman for ten years. Bill Engleson is now retiring if someone else would like to take the helm they are very welcome

## 11. **Motion to adjourn.** Passed.