

Denman Island Residents Association

General Meeting January 9, 2017

Present: Doug Wright, treasurer, Ron Shepherd, co-chair, Frieda Werden, secretary, Denise MacKean, chair

Meeting called to order.

Motion to approve the minutes of October 17, 2016 and November 14, 2016 carried.

Ron Wilson explained to the meeting his groups' new Walking Challenge which in 2017 will take us to the moon! He encouraged people to sign on; both walkers and bikers.

Executive Report:

We discussed Membership renewal requirements and decided to retain a re-sign-up each year rule. This can be done on-line.

Our CVRD Service Agreement came up for renewal and there were a few minor changes but the Executive agreed to renew it after discussion with CVRD about these changes. The up-date reflects the by-law change that allows tax funds collected on Denman for Parks to come directly back to Denman.

We are aware of a need to update and keep current our website and will look at this more carefully. Perhaps it will need to be a small paid position.

Old Business: Nothing to report.

New Business: Doug Wright reported on the sharing of Marine Insurance between our user committees.

Denise presented a letter which Max Metalipi asked DIRA to sign to join a class action suit initiated by West Coast Environmental Law concerning Global Warming. The membership present agreed with the intent of the letter but felt it was outside our mandate and that DIRA could not become a part of a class-action suit. Also, any action would require more community involvement.

Committee Reports:

Being a very inclement evening weather-wise, there were no Committee reports.

Liaison Reports:

Islands Trust: Laura Busheikin reported briefly on recent meetings and upcoming meeting dates and topics.

Motion to adjourn Carried.