

Executive Meeting Minutes, Monday, June 3, 2019

Present: Ron Shepherd (Chair), Bob French and Andrew Pringle

Meeting called to order at 4:00 P.M. in the Old School, Conservancy Room

1. Additions to Agenda: Update to signing authorities at Union Bay Credit Union

Motion to adopt agenda with above addition, seconded and all voted in favour - PASSED

2. Motion to adopt the minutes from the May 6, 2019 Executive Meeting, seconded and all voted in favour - PASSED

3. Recreation Grant:

The Recreation Grant Committee, made up of Jack Forsyth, Dr. Ron Wilson and Charlie Tait, has reviewed all the applications and will present their recommendations at the general meeting in June.

There were some questions at the last general meeting with regard to the decreasing grant amount. Ron asked the CVRD why the grant has been reduced to \$18,000 in 2019 (from \$20,000 historically) and the CVRD indicated more grant money may be available from another fund.

Next year, Ron will ask for the maximum amount for the 2020 grant, most likely at the time other budgets are submitted.

4. Request for Seniors' Centre Letter of Support:

The board of the DSMS (Activity Centre) decided to submit an application for funding to the federal New Horizons For Seniors program and would like to get a letter of support from DIRA.

The board agreed to the request for a letter of support and Ron will compose the letter.

5. Request for DIRA funding for a Porta Potty:

A resident asked whether DIRA has the financial capacity and mandate to support the cost of a Porta Potty in Denman DT for the 4 months over each summer.

DIRA does not have the funding for this sort of venture, however Bob offered to investigate the feasibility of such a request and whether or not it could be

considered by Waste Management.

6. DIRA Board:

The board continues to be concerned about the lack of community involvement or willingness to help, which puts into jeopardy all the public services which are provided via DIRA committees. No new board members were recruited at the AGM or previous general meeting when Ron asked for nominations. There are only 3 executive board members plus one member-at-large currently.

One thought was to go to the committees (first) and then the public to explain the urgent need for more support on the board.

Shutting DIRA down and returning all the services provided by DIRA to the CVRD is not an option the board would like to consider.

7. Update Signing Authorities at Union Bay Credit Union:

There was a motion to move that Doug Wright be removed as a signatory on the Denman Island Residents Association Union Bay Credit Union Account number 24083.

There was another motion to move that Ronald Shepherd, Robert French, Andrew Pringle and Frieda Werden be designated as authorized signatories on the Denman Island Residents Association Union Bay Credit Union Account number 24083.

All voted in favour. PASSED

Meeting Adjourned at 5:10 PM