

TIRRA Executive Meeting Thursday, March 7, 2019

Acting President Wendy Hinsperger called the meeting to order at 6:58 PM with the following also present: Vice President Quentin Goodbody, Secretary Claire Hess, Treasurer and Solid Waste Ernie Hunter, Transportation Graeme Shelford and Trails Vicki Walker.

Brought forward from emails:

Wendy reported that Keith Rush can make a short presentation on the planning of the new Cowichan District Hospital, and some of the possible community initiatives such as the visiting paramedics that have been attending on Wednesday's at Soup's On. The meeting agreed that an update from Keith should be included in the AGM agenda. Wendy to contact Keith regarding a short presentation.

A question arose as to the dates for the meetings in 2019 which are not usually set until after the AGM elections and follow a format of an executive meeting on the first or second Thursday of June, October and March of the next year with General Meetings two Thursdays thereafter, the March General being the Annual General Meeting.

There are no pending vacancies requiring TIRRA to appoint candidates to other Community committees.

Ernie Hunter noted that the updated bylaws will be posted to the Community Website.

Ernie presented the financial report to much interested discussion. A condensed version of the 3 page financials will be prepared for presentation at the AGM. Signing Authorities will be completed after the AGM.

Vicki Walker's report and the Trail Use Guidelines are already posted for the AGM. Vicki gave more detail on the preparations for opening the Dingly Dell trail on March 17 at 1PM. Trail Use Guidelines were discussed; a recommendation to add "Emergencies: call 911" was suggested and accepted. The meeting authorized the purchase of the required Trail Use Guidelines signs and a few extra signs for future use.

Upcoming expenditures: information kiosk and native plant garden at beginning of Dingly Dell trail.

Wendy called on Graeme Shelford for the Transportation report. TIRRA executive acknowledged his 20 years of service to TIRRA, and thanked him with the support of all present. Graeme will be retiring from TIRRA at the AGM on March 21, 2019. He reported that Stu Downey will stand for election as TIRRA Transportation committee lead, and there maybe another candidate. Graeme read the Transportation annual report that will be posted online. He added that he had made an application of funding for more Wildfire Preparedness on Thetis and an application for a Volunteer Firefighter Award that had a bonus of providing a significant grant to the winner's community.

Consultations with BC Ferries regarding safety concerns on the roadways at the terminal area are pending election of new Transportation committee lead.

Ernie reported for Solid Waste that Hydro is considering installing power close to the Recycle yard so we are waiting on their action to determine TIRRA next steps. The "loaner" generator is still working at the site until hydro connection status determined. The CVRD has not picked up the recycle bin, although pick up pending. There is sufficient storage for the interim.

There was also a long discussion of the need for a chipper on the island to deal with the deadfall from storms, particularly the recent ones. Deadfall is a fire hazard issue that involves due diligence from all property owners. There was agreement that a chipper service cannot be a part of Solid Waste and needs a private provider. Wendy agreed to do some preliminary investigations into possible solutions.

Discussion ensued on the potential need for more Recycle Yard employees: ongoing needs assessment to be completed via consultation with current employees. Succession planning will be an important factor going forward.

Quentin reported that Lynne Smith, our CVRD Area G representative, has offered to make a brief presentation to the AGM on the CVRD budget. The attendees approved Quentin to accept this offer.

Another thank you to Graeme for his work with VIHA to fund our First Responders was given.

The meeting closed at 8:29 PM.

Respectfully submitted,
Claire Hess, Secretary

Minutes of email exchanges re TIPC appointments
Copies on email of the appointment letters from CVRD for all these appointments have been received from Lynne Smith, Area G and are on file
Results of email exchanges recorded below

TIPC Appointments

November/December 2017

See appointments in email file: TIPC email exchange November, 2017

Jan 2018 to Dec 2020

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- Sven Aaberg

- Pat Mooney *per conversation with Pat 27/11/2018*

December 2019

No confirming minutes or emails

Term ends for

- Dave Knowles *per conversation with Pat 27/11/2018*

See below for actual email exchanges

From: Claire Hess <clhess2@gmail.com>

To: Ernie Hunter <erniehunter@telus.net>, Graeme Shelford <graemeshelford@gmail.com>, Quentin Goodbody <qgoodbody@gmail.com>, Suzanne Sarioglu <suzanne.sarioglu@gmail.com>, Wendy & Alex Hinsperger <alexwendy@shaw.ca>

date: 25 Nov 2018, 12:26

subject: Please approve for CVRD

Please approve the following list of TIRRA nominations recommended for 2019

Patrick Mooney
Dave Knowles
Chris Pegg
Peter Theriault
Sven Aaberg

Thank you to Sven for accepting and to all the rest for continuing.
This email exchange will be added to the next minutes.

from: Graeme Shelford <graemeshelford@gmail.com>
Approved
from: alex hinsperger <alexwendy@shaw.ca>
Approved
from: Suzanne Sarioglu <suzanne.sarioglu@gmail.com>
I agree
from: Quentin Goodbody <qgoodbody@googlemail.com>
Approved

Quentin

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from: Claire Hess <[clhess2@gmail.com](mailto:clhess2@gmail.com)>  
to: Pat Mooney <[thetis@telus.net](mailto:thetis@telus.net)>, "N. Smith" <[4smithnl@telus.net](mailto:4smithnl@telus.net)>  
cc: Ernie Hunter <[erniehunter@telus.net](mailto:erniehunter@telus.net)>, Graeme Shelford <[graemeshelford@gmail.com](mailto:graemeshelford@gmail.com)>, Quentin Goodbody <[qgoodbody@gmail.com](mailto:qgoodbody@gmail.com)>, Wendy & Alex Hinsperger <[alexwendy@shaw.ca](mailto:alexwendy@shaw.ca)>

**date: 27 Nov 2018, 12:01**

**subject: Confirming terms**

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*This email will be in the TIRRA email minutes for appointments in November of 2018*

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TIPC email minutes exchange November, 2017

See file with above name

TIRRA minutes re TIPC email exchange November, 2017

from: Claire Hess <clhess2@gmail.com>

to: Stu Downey <shdowney1@gmail.com>

date: 9 Nov 2017, 15:51

subject: Re: PLEASE RESPOND - TIRRA appointments to TIPC

Thank you, Stu. This is in my notes to add to the next exec minutes.

On 9 November 2017 at 10:19, Stu Downey <shdowney1@gmail.com> wrote:
Will need to capture in next Exec minutes Claire, 5 voted yes at this point. Approved.

Sent from my iPhone

Begin forwarded message:

From: Stu Downey <shdowney1@gmail.com>

To: Rob Spencer <spincat007@gmail.com>, clhess2@gmail.com, Ernie Hunter <thetis@island.net>, Steve Frankel <blueheronisland@gmail.com>, Graeme Shelford <graemeshelford@gmail.com>, suzanne.sarioglu@gmail.com

Cc: vicki.walker@gmail.com

Date: November 8, 2017 at 12:34:44 PM PST

Subject: PLEASE RESPOND - TIRRA appointments to TIPC

Greetings all. At our 2nd Jun 2016 Exec meeting, we approved new TIPC appointments from TIRRA eff Jan 2017 as Dave Knowles and Peter Theriault.

Subsequent discussions with TIPC Chair Patrick Mooney revealed an error in that we only needed one TIRRA appointment for 2017 as discussed at our 6th Oct 2016 Exec meeting. Peter agreed to postpone his appointment to Jan 2018. Peter has again confirmed he is willing to stand for this appointment.

TIRRA appointees with 3 year terms expiring Dec 2017 are Carolyn Askew and Chris Pegg.

I have been in touch with both. Carolyn has requested to step down, Chris has agreed to stand for another 3 years.

As our soon-to-be approved bylaws state that we can conduct business by email, I would ask that you respond with your approval or otherwise to the following;

TIRRA appoints the following individuals to serve on the TIPC board for a 3 year period from Jan 2018 to Dec 2020.

- Peter Theriault

- Chris Pegg

Thanks everyone for your timely response,
Stu