# Thetis Island Resident and Ratepayers Association Executive Meeting Minutes October 4, 2012

<u>Present:</u> Ernie H., John S., Doreen L., Denis G., Kevin G., Graeme S., Kevin G., Steph C.

Regrets: Suzanne S., Steve F.

Call to order: 7:03 pm

Review of Minutes: No minutes were reviewed.

## <u>Correspondence:</u>

There was a "copied" e- mail (originally sent to the FACC) regarding concern about ferry terminal traffic safety. Discussion followed.

## Reports:

## 1. <u>Treasurer's report</u>

Kevin G. presented his report on the current budget status. 235 members have paid their TIRRA fees to date, totalling \$1548. The Solid Waste Management (SWM) fund received \$39,632.18 from the CVRD and \$362 in private donations, totalling \$39,994.18.

Summary of account balances as of Oct 4/12:

General Fund \$4786
Solid waste management Fund \$4800
\$9586

The executive discussed and established a projected SWM budget for next year; as follows:

 Garbage:
 \$11,000

 Recycling:
 \$26,000

 Site development:
 \$ 800

 General fund payment:
 \$ 800

 Rebates:
 \$ 1000

 Total:
 \$39,600

- 2. <u>Cemetery:</u> Suzanne S. was unavailable to present a report.
- 3. <u>Trails:</u> Doreen L. reported that the trail requires some trimming but are generally in good shape.

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4. <u>Transportation:</u> Graeme S. reported that all is quiet. Discussion arose regarding the paving at the post boxes. Graeme will follow up with a thank you letter on behalf of TIRRA for this unexpected benefit.

5. <u>ThINC:</u> Though not a TIRRA committee, Stephanie was asked to speak to status of the Thetis Island Nature Conservancy. ThINC is now a registered Non-profit society as well as a subcommittee of the Cowichan Community Land Trust. We are pursuing funding partnerships and grants to assist with the Lot 320a acquisition project. Pledges from Thetis Islanders have been unbelievably generous for this project, over \$45,000 to date.

#### **New Business:**

A request was shared from the TIID, asking if there was any feedback from TIRRA regarding the current TIID and TIVFD operations. Graeme S. added that Lasquiti Island has recently lost their fire protection status, which has heavily impacted the insurance rates there.

#### Next meeting:

TIRRA General Meeting, Thursday, Oct.25, 2012 7:30pm

Adjournment: 7:55pm