

TIRRA Executive Meeting

January 19, 2017

Stu Downey President, called the meeting to order at 7:01 pm. Present also were: Ernie Hunter Treasurer; Claire Hess Secretary; Vicki Walker Trails, and Solid Waste (for Steph Cattel), Graeme Shelford Transportation, and Suzanne Sarioglu, St Margaret's Cemetery.

Adoption of Exec minutes from the October 6, 2016 minutes as posted, moved by Stu, seconded by Suzanne, passed.

Trails: an update by Vicki outlined the progress to date and detailed work on the licenses completed and pending. So far, less than \$4000 has been spent on the required fencing with the volunteer labour of Ralf Kempe and multiple Capernwray student. The community is now volunteering as well. Great progress has been made on trail construction and fencing. Work continues on finalizing more licences.

Transportation: Graeme reported that a meeting of the Road Safety Committee was held on January 2. Progress, painfully slow, is occurring. The Road Safety Review is now in the hands of MOTI who will be arranging an on-site review of our roads, and will include Thetis residents in this review. It is understood that our roads are considered Minor Rural, therefore are not required to have shoulders.

Subsequent to the meeting, Graeme received an update from Andy Newall of MOTI which has been circulated to the Road Safety Committee.

Solid Waste: Vicki reported for Steph, is working on a Terms of Reference update, now in a draft form. The SWC will be meeting at the end of January in hopes of finalizing the ToR at that time, and presenting to the community at a future TIRRA GM.

Also, Ernie provided an update on grant funds from CVRD and on the MoU with CVRD regarding the on-site recycle bin with hauling. Nothing finalized at this point.

Cemetery: Suzanne said there was nothing to report, monitoring erosion and more improvements planned with better weather this spring and summer.

Financial: Ernie reported all in good shape. Financial overview with annual audit will be presented at our AGM.

Golf Cart pilot: per Rob, has been postponed indefinitely by the provincial government.

RCMP update - per Stu, members from the RCMP have requested to present at our March AGM. Their plan is to have more of a community presence on Thetis & Penelekut, and will provide an update for us at the meeting.

With assuming the role of Trail Lead, Vicki Walker has provided a letter of resignation from her role as co-chair of SWC, filed. Vicki was co-leading Trails with Andy Keir prior to he and Ann moving off island.

Stu has organized a Bring Forward (BF) Filing system for Trail Licences, TIPC nominations, TICF nominations and any other post-dated action items. This file will be maintained by the TIRRA Secretary. Stu is also working to finalize a TIRRA Exec Manual.

New Business

Discussion regarding the informative presentations at the TIPC plaque unveiling in Nov. Joey Carroll from Penelakut would be willing to present on the history and relationship of our two islands at informal sessions. Vicki and Suzanne indicated that ThINC was attempting to arrange for such an event included in the summer education this year.

Discussion regarding condition and amount of maintenance required for some public gravel roads. Graeme to follow up with MOTI.

Discussion on prioritizing urgent ferry travel. It was agreed that it would be very difficult to determine exactly what would or would not qualify as urgent. Residents are reminded to call 911 for any emergencies.

Motion by Stu, seconded by Graeme, to combine Recording Secretary and Correspondent Secretary TIRRA Officers to a single Officer referred to as Secretary. Passed. An update to combine Recording/Correspondence Secretary roles will be presented and voted on by members at the AGM.

Further housekeeping for TIRRA Bylaws noted for future action.

Welcoming Committee, per Suzanne. Will raise as new business AGM.

The meeting adjourned at 9:30pm.