

## **TIRRA Executive Meeting June 1, 2017**

Stu Downey, President, called the meeting to order at 7:01 pm. Present also were: Ernie Hunter, Treasurer; Claire Hess, Secretary; Steve Frankel, Solid Waste and Welcome Package; Graeme Shelford, Highways; Suzanne Sarioglu, St Margaret's Cemetery and Welcome Package; Kathleen McIsaac, Bylaws and Societies Act.

Stu welcomed Kathleen to the TIRRA executive.

Adoption of the minutes from the March 2, 2017 Executive Meeting as posted was moved by Stu and adopted unanimously.

### Committee Updates:

**Trails:** Stu reported for Vicki on the successful Trail opening event. A thank you for his excellent opening speech was extended. A letter is on file from Ralf Kempe acknowledging the honorarium and sharing that he has passed it on to someone in need.

The need to post the trail protocols was discussed. Legal advice received indicated the requirement to reduce liability on TIRRA and its members. Ernie moved and Graeme seconded that the Trails Committee be authorized to spend up to \$1000 for Trail signs at each trail entrance. Trail protocols were also discussed, to protect private property, owners, users, neighbours, pets, and livestock affected. The next phase will connect through Jollity Farm to Pilkey Point Rd, work to commence soon. There will be a communication sent out to announce once open.

**Highways:** Graeme reported that Grant has installed a beaver baffle that is working well. He had to remove a tree as well. It was decided that TIRRA will send Grant a letter of thanks for his work.

Also, Graeme reported that work is proceeding on a plan based on the results of the safety review. Our roads are up to the standard for Minor Rural Roads. Some ideas are being considered including converting to T-junctions the corners of Pilkey Point Road with both Harbour Road and North Cove Road. This summer, while the centre lines are being renewed, the stop bars will be made more permanent.

**Solid Waste:** Steve moved that the draft Terms of Reference be adopted, seconded by Stu, approved. The ToR will be presented at the next GM. The SWMC will be meeting with CVRD 15th June to review the Green Bin pilot project, progress to date on a permanent Service Agreement, Depot status, hauling criteria, much discussion on using grant money to purchase bin going forward, or other initiatives to support staff and volunteers, washroom facilities, electricity, heat etc. Stu requested SWMC to bring CVRD SA draft back to executive for approval prior to being signed.

Mention was made that roadside pick-up is raised periodically. After discussion, the Solid Waste Committee listed the factors that make this currently impossible:

- This was an all-volunteer effort requiring hours of organizing and hauling. Our disposal employees and volunteers are already stretched.
- There are liability issues for TIRRA and the volunteers.

- There are many more restrictions on disposal and recycling of these kinds of items so payment might have to be collected as well.
- Islanders are available for hire if a property can not deal with disposal issues.

Note that a few reliable volunteers are needed, 2 regular and 1 sub. Myla Frankel is working on a schedule and substitute system with achievable contacts. Steve indicated that SWMC has decided to not hire a part-time student this summer.

Welcome Package: Steve and Suzanne are at work and hope to have something to present at the General Meeting. Moved by Steve, seconded by Stu to establish ad-hoc Welcome committee through to Mar 2018 AGM.

Cemetery: Suzanne mentioned the clean-up day on Thursday, June 22. A planning meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, June 13. Bank erosion, occurring in a major way, must be addressed.

Financial: Ernie reported that the audit is in progress and that finances are sound. Discussion on updating bank signatures and including in Bylaws. Moved by Stu that bank signatures be TIRRA President, Treasurer, and Secretary. No seconder so motion defeated. Further discussion.

Moved by Stu, seconded by Ernie, that signing authorities for TIRRA must be appointed by executive from elected members of the TIRRA executive. Approved.

Grants: Rob Spencer sent regrets. We hope he is recovering well.

Ferry boards: Cover maintenance will proceed, organized by Vicki, as soon as we have some dry weather. Many thanks to Vicki, Suzanne, Dee and Gloria.

Bylaws and Societies Act: Ernie will work with Kathleen to collect the materials needed.

New Business: None

The meeting was adjourned at 8:34pm.

Submitted: Claire Hess, Secretary