# TIRRA Executive Meeting Thursday, June 7, 2018

Steve called the meeting to order at 7 PM. Present were: President Steve Frankel also serving Solid Waste and Welcome, Vice President Quentin Goodbody, Secretary Claire Hess, Treasurer Ernie Hunter also Solid Waste and Transportation Graeme Shelford. Reports, included below the minutes, were received from Trails Vicki Walker and St Margaret's Cemetery Suzanne Sarioglu.

The minutes of the TIRRA Executive Meeting of Thursday, March 8, 2018 were approved but need to be posted with the Thursday, March 22, 2018 AGM minutes before the TIRRA General Meeting on Thursday, June 21, 2018.

Claire reported that the Action item from the October 27, 2016 General Meeting, the Ferry notice board repair/maintenance is completed. Vicki Walker, Stu and Heather Downey, Matt and Claire Hess were thanked.

## Committee Updates:

Finance

Ernie Hunter has prepared a budget which was discussed and will be presented at the June General Meeting. Ernie suggested that we are in a position to try to connect electricity to the Recycling Yard for the comfort of the volunteers and improvement of the work. This investment would eventually benefit the households east of Blue Heron Road. The following motion/s will be presented to the TIRRA General Meeting on Thursday, June 21, 2018:

- 1. TIRRA Executive moves that TIRRA pay BC Hydro the non-refundable estimate fee of \$2100 for service at the recycle yard.
- 2. TIRRA Executive moves that TIRRA proceed with the installation of electricity to the recycle yard if the Hydro estimate is less than \$25,000.

### Transportation

Graeme reported that there have been no significant changes but continues to enjoy close cooperation from Andy Newall over any requests from the community. Also, Graeme has researched possible solutions to any additional beaver problem.

#### Trails

Vicki Walker's report was read by Claire; there is progress on the Trails, including Dingley Dell, the challenging and charming Bond trail. Some trees may need to be removed on all trails. Successful gatherings have been held for bird and butterfly enthusiasts. All is in hand for renewal of trail licences. Ralf Kempe has used some old timber to improve the Lawrence Trail through soggy areas.

#### St Margaret's Cemetery

Suzanne Sarioglu's report had been published in eSPOKES and all present were aware of the news of trees removed and plans in progress.

#### Welcome

Steve reported that progress is slow but steady. Most of the items are assembled, and the agents are awaiting the packages.

Presentation on CVRD and other taxation issues

Quentin had facts and figures outlining CVRD proposed tax increases on three proposed "services," two of which will affect Thetis ratepayers, including the water tax. A meeting will be held on the island where protest can be registered. When the Improvement District increase was mentioned, Graeme said that the Fire Department is working on a charitable fund to assist with TIVFD expenses.

Ragged Island Signage This was never a TIRRA activity and is to be given to THINC.

Committees are asked to promptly submit reports to be posted online prior to the Thursday, June 21, 2018 TIRRA General Meeting. An agenda will be circulated. Meeting was adjourned at 8:15 PM.

Respectfully submitted, Claire Hess, secretary