

Minutes of Thetis Island Residents and Ratepayers Association Executive Meeting

29 Jan. 2026 Forbes Hall Boardroom.

Executive Board and Committee Chairs Present: Suzanne Sarioglu, Quentin Goodbody, Karl Unger, and Ernie Hunter. Lynne Smith attended via Zoom

Executive Board and Committee Chairs Absent: Julian Jackman

Meeting Called to Order. 11am

Adoption of last Executive Meeting Minutes 06 Nov 2025: **Tabled for email approval**

Presidents Report (Lynne Smith)

Pleased with Board performance in the face of multiple challenges.

Communications and Website (Karl Unger)

Notification that Clare and Matt Hess will be moving off island, and that additional help with ESpokes will be required in the near future. TIRRA to commence search.

Memberships

Notification of 2026 membership now due will be sent to community via ESpokes.

Q Goodbody to organize 'Things About Thetis' talk during BC Heritage Week (3rd week February) in association with 2026 Membership Drive.

Treasury (Ernie Hunter)

Call to be made to Bank Commercial section to further the transition of signatories.

Cemetery (Suzanne Sarioglu)

No business to update on at this time.

Roads / Ferry

Lynne met with Carolyn Askew about potential trail between Forbes Hall and the Ferry:

Recommended contacting MOTT - Thetis Island Emcon staff to remove debris for better road drainage.

This scraping could create a trail beside the road.

Howling Wolf Farm Shop and Dock (

Chris Pegg apprised TIRRA Board of current situation relating to Islands Trust-ordered potential closure of Howling Wolf farm shop and removal of dock.

TIRRA to craft letter to Islands Trust emphasizing the importance of the farm shop to Community, local Economy, Food Security and Tourism, requesting addition of this matter as a discussion item to the Agenda of the scheduled Islands Trust February 3rd meeting and requesting arrangement for a timely dedicated community meeting allowing for direct consultation with the Islands Trust.

Taxes

TIRRA to draft letter to CVRD expressing concern about taxes being levied on Thetis Islanders for services unavailable to islanders, the considerable increase in the tax burden, and concern about poor (transparent) reporting of CVRD Thetis Dock expenditures.

Trails

No movement from the Community re: replacement of Q Goodbody as interim Trails Committee Chair.

Regarding Trails Agreements: Goodbody presented an assessment of regulatory requirements, concluding that none were required for trails outside the Agricultural Land Reserve (ALR) and recommended that TIRRA renew Trail Agreements with landowners of such.

A meeting is arranged for February 3rd with landowners of the trail within the ALR to discuss go-forward on Agreement renewal.

TIRRA Cards

Lynne Smith to pursue printing of TIRRA cards.

Scotch Broom

Suzanne Sarioglu to consult with experts re: removal of invasive species.

Ecomarket

Motion That TIRRA support construction costs of the Recycling Ecomarket with a grant of \$200.

Approved

Treasurer to enact payment.

2026 TIRRA Executive Goals

Primary goals are:

- Updating of Thetis Island Phone Book
- Formulation of a Community/TIRRA website
- Ratification of TIRRA/Landowners Trails Agreements
- Advocacy for and within the Community

Meeting adjourned: 2.10pm.

Respectfully submitted:

Quentin Goodbody VP (no current Recording Secretary being available)