

**PINA Meeting November 3, 2021**

**1: Call To Order:** 7.35 Directors present: Kevin Pistor, Agnes Provost, Veronica Zehntner, Jane Garcia, Gerald Halabura. Regrets: Ken Peppertine, Richard Gafney

We acknowledge this meeting is held on the ancestral, traditional and unceded territory of the Snuneymuxw First Nation.

**2: a Adoption of Agenda:** Moved by Veronica, 2n Jane, Carried

**B Approval of the minutes October 6, 2021** moved by Agnes, nd Gerald, Carried

**C Matters arising from the minutes:** Kevin printed Director ID cards

**3: Reports**

**Treasurer’s Report :** Veronica

General A/C

Balance at Oct. 31/21 .....\$1,861

**Dock A/C**

Chq. issued for dock R & M 532.91

Cash on Hand 15,585

Reserve . 15,000

Total Balance at Oct. 31/21 .....\$30,858

The directors' liability insurance is coming up this month and the policy renewal is in process and will be at the same rate as last year.

**Parks Report:** Veronica

Fire Smart is holding work parties for invasive removal in Pirates Park & have done plantings of coastal pine and crabapple trees in Ben Gunn Park. The trees are a good size and look very healthy and will fill in the bare spots nicely. Watch for notices of work parties from fire smart.

**Roads Report:** Veronica

- Followed up with the roads foreman again yesterday re: brush cutting per the list sent in. Also requested the filling of potholes before winter.
- He is very short handed at the moment with an unexpected retirement & 2 guys moved to other positions and is in the process of reorganizing and completing a project. He said he would see if Parks could help him out with the brush cutting. The pot holes will have to wait a bit until he gets a crew together.
- Also asked if the water valves will still be raised in Feb. as previously discussed. He replied that is still planned for very early spring before road grading.

**Mud Bay Dock:** Kevin, Richard, Agnes. The work party on Oct 30 was productive and effective, it is the last work party for this year. Batteries for dolphin lights were replaced and the lights are

now glowing green. Some maintenance work is ongoing through the Winter. Members should wait for fee notices which will be sent out shortly.

**NNN:** Gerald, Kevin. Gerald reported that there were three inquiries in response to his Pro Isle message regarding the Nanaimo Foundation cultural grant. There is also another grant coming available with an approximate deadline of November 20. This is the Social Development Grant- Gerald to share information on Pro-Isle.

**VIHA/EMG:** NTR

**Constitution review:** Richard, Kevin NTR

**Website:** Agnes, process for updates, offers to post for other groups

**Bulletin Boards:** Veronica, Gerald, Ken. NTR

**Welcome Wagon:** Agnes, Gerald.

#### **4: New Business**

**A Communication** (members, community, other groups)

PINA reviewed our methods of communicating with the community which includes posting our minutes to the protectionisland.org website and to bulletin boards. PINA executive can be emailed direct through: protectionneighbours@gmail.com

PINA also posts notices on Facebook, and our executive is in contact with other organisations as needed. We welcome feedback and invite community members to explore the website and contact us at protectionneighbours@gmail.com

**B Garbage, recycling and composting bins at NPA and City of Nanaimo.** Kevin reported that a contact from the NPA had been in touch with him to discuss the increasing use of the garbage, recycle and composting bins at the harbour downtown. The bins are utilised by a variety of users and the NPA may check with people using the bins (islanders) and ask if they live on P.I This is their method of monitoring users. We will also receive an informational message regarding the separate bins and the items allowed in each type. A contact from the City has also asked to explore possible improvements to how islanders manage garbage/recycling/composting - Kevin will report back with an overview of our methods, including our boulevard free piles, and sales, clothing swap events etc.

**5: Next Meeting:** Dec 1, 2021 7.30pm

**6: Motion to Adjourn** 9.33 moved by Veronica, 2nd Agnes