

PINA Meeting May 5, 2021

1: Call to order at 7.32 pm. Acknowledgement we are holding this meeting on the ancestral and traditional territory of the Snuneymuxw First Nation.

Directors present: Kevin Pistor, Jane Garcia, Dave Carter, Jim MacQuarrie, Doug Naylor, Gillian Bigl, Veronica Zehntner. Regrets Carol Redston. Guest Corinne Brolewicz

2: a: Adoption of Agenda. Moved by Veronica 2nd Dave Carried.

b: approval of minutes April 7, 2021. Moved by Jim, 2nd Veronica, Carried

3: Matters arising from the minutes. Letter sent out regarding working in Parks was acknowledged by several residents with thanks.

4: Reports:

A: President's Report - Kevin Pistor. Kevin raised the question of when we would be likely to hold an AGM. After discussion, it was decided to hold an outdoor meeting sometime in the summer.

B: Treasurer's Report Veronica Zehntner

General A/C

No Activity

Balance @ Apr. 30/21.....\$976

Dock A/C

Cheques issued for barging in the amount of 99.56

" " 199.50

materials for R&M 170.48

" " 2,957.41

Cash on Hand\$15,440

Reserve \$15,000

Total Balance @ Apr. 30/21\$30,440

C: Roads Report Veronica Zehntner. NTR

D: Parks Report Veronica Zehntner

Ben Gunn Park - Good news, the city has changed its mind again and we will be getting the requested board walk after all, with gravel to fill in between exposed roots from the entrance. The gravel has already been delivered.

Elizabeth/Flint Park - A work party did more invasive plant removal on Apr. 27th with Fire Smart and bins were barged over for non-chippable and invasive materials. May is officially "Nanaimo Invasive Plant Month" and the city is encouraging residents to remove invasive plants & volunteer in organized city park initiatives, so we are ahead of the curve.

The chipper arrived for 2 days and once the chipping was done they cruised around collecting non-chippable piles from the boulevards of those unable to haul their own materials down to the bins, which saved the volunteers a lot of work.

E: Mud Bay Dock update- Kevin Pistor

Four work parties held in April, there is still more to do and further work parties will be organised. There will be a new walkway installed later this year- this is a new walkway

manufactured to the required length and replaces the free walkway from the Gallows Point restoration work. There will be a new base also, from which to anchor it. There is also a plan to replace the furthest pilings later this year.

F: NNN Dave/Doug. Doug attended the Zoom meeting and reported that there didn't seem to be much relevance for PI at this time. It was decided to continue to send a rep just to monitor the meetings.

G Other i: Constitution update (suspended until restrictions lifted)

li: Community Zoom meeting with RCMP and Blockwatch (Jim) see correspondence attached (Item 5)

5: Correspondence - please refer to summary email from Jim Menzies attached.

6: New Business: a: Spyglass Lookout: Guest Corinne Brolewicz. Corinne spoke about the houseboat on the beach at 25 Spyglass and the bylaw infractions of this situation, and in regards to the ecologically sensitive status of the Garry Oak meadow there. She has spoken to Mike Davidson at Port of Nanaimo, and a City bylaw officer. She discussed the option of PINA surveying PI residents for their response and support in dealing with ongoing bylaw issues. Dave motioned as follows: We support a survey of the island residents with regards to bylaw infractions and the existence of a houseboat on a Port Authority jurisdictional area. Motion passed unanimously.

b: Kayaks and Canoes at the causeway: Jim MacQuarrie discussed the kayaks and canoes being stored at the causeway, and the potential for these to be stolen and that they are a security issue. Motion was put forward by Jim;

To seek the support of PINA executive to alert residents to the issues of kayaks and canoes at the causeway, and seek to develop a plan to mitigate this issue, in consultation with Blockwatch.
2nd Veronica Carried

c: vehicle parking rules at the circle (Jim, from Linda Van Os) Linda raised concerns regarding a truck taking up too much space at the traffic circle when it was parked in the spaces allocated for golf carts only. Veronica confirmed that large vehicles are to park abutting the fence line of 9 Pirates Lane and that golf carts should not be parked there, as this takes up spaces that can be used by long vehicles. Any overflow should be parked along the boulevard taking care not to obstruct driveways. These rules are addressed in the annual newsletter, but we will post the information on Pro-Isle and bulletin boards. It was discussed that another sign at the circle would be useful.

d: Communication and the Bulletin Boards (Gillian Bigl) Gillian proposed that for new residents, a welcome package of useful information be provided. She also brought up the topic of the dilapidated state of some of the bulletin boards. Gillian and Veronica to investigate materials and replacement. A discussion ensued regarding having a separate email list for the newsletter and for updating the PINA membership with news etc.

Gillian motioned "to improve education by providing new residents with a welcome package and to improve bulletin boards." 2nd Jim, Passed.

7: Next Meeting: Wednesday June 2, 2021

8: Announcements: Date of AGM possibly August 15, at the dog field, COVID restrictions permitting

9: Motion to Adjourn: 9.22 Veronica moved, Jim 2nd Carried