

PINA Board Meeting November 7 2018

Call to order 7.40. Acknowledgement that we are holding the meeting on the ancestral and traditional territory of the Snueymuxw First Nation. Members present: Kevin Pistor, Gary Weikum, Jim MacQuarrie, Jim Menzies, Doug Naylor, Jane Garcia, Veronica Zehntner, Dave Carter. Regrets: Maureen Johnson. Guests: Summer Laurie, 3 representatives from BC Hydro.

2a Adoption of Agenda moved by Dave Carter 2nd Jim MacQuarrie Carried.

2b Approval of the minutes of Oct 3, 2018. Jim Menzies moved to approve the minutes, 2nd Doug, Carried.

3: Special Guests:

a) Summer Laurie to speak for the Peace Pole Project: The inaugural group of The Purpose Project, led by Jodi and Guy Le Masurier, have requested that a Peace Pole be put up in Pirates Park. Made of Western Red Cedar, the pole will have the inscribed word – Peace, in English, French and a Coast Salish language. Costs will be covered by The Purpose Project. Gary moved that PINA executive support the Peace Pole being in Pirates Park. Jim Macquarrie 2nd, Carried unanimously.

b) Andrew Reidy. Andrew Reidy and his two colleagues from BC Hydro came to give details of the proposed new Hydro submarine cable which will replace the one which runs from Nanaimo to Newcastle Island to P.I. They want to select a better route and avoid Newcastle Island, which will be fed power from here. They propose a route that starts in front of the float plane terminal, crosses the harbour, and comes ashore at Mud Bay. Installation would be planned for summer of 2020 and the work to be done at low tide. They estimate it would take about 1 week and the work should have minimal impact on our Hydro service. The project will be reviewed by Federal departments, Fisheries and First Nations. It was discussed that the continuation of the cable on land would preferably be underground with as little interference with tree roots as possible. They will be meeting with the City this month and will strongly recommend the cable be underground. Nearer the time, there may be a public presentation for island residents.

4: Matters Arising From The Minutes:

- a) Update on Port Drive Master Plan service ramp meeting with City: NTR
- b) Constitution updates: We discussed the process for making changes to the constitution and vision statement at the AGM.
- c) VIHA request for golf cart: Rick Biller and Maureen Johnson will continue to work to get services and people from VIHA here on P.I
- d) Mud Bay Dock Committee: At a recent meeting, the following was discussed: the committee is working to update the rule, looking at providing diagrams regarding how to tie up properly, people not paying, and signage- possibly to be provided by the City. Next meeting will be in the Spring.

5: Treasurer's Report:

General A/C Chq. issued for postage in the amount of \$89.25

Balance at Oct. 31/18 \$1,709

Dock A/C Chq. issued for dock R & M in the amount of \$613.17

Balance at Oct. 31/18 \$22,665

6: Roads Report: NTR

7: Parks Committee Report: Jim MacQuarrie & Veronica attended the joint PINA/Lions meeting Oct. 19th. The park clean up & chipping plans were discussed as well as the Smugglers Park ecosystem restoration plan, for which we are awaiting word on if the seeds are in yet. Veronica has since followed up with Parks & is now waiting to hear from the environmental planner.

The daphne pull - to be late winter or early spring.

Playground - The Lions will apply for the grant again this coming year & have enlisted the help of Jessie Zhang to make a video.

Pickleball Court- Repairs still have not been done and an accident occurred as a result of the surface. Discussed strategy going forward and decided Jim Harris would contact Richard Harding, which he has since done and Rick has called Art Groot (A. Britton's stand in) all with AI's knowledge & support. The ultimate solution may be resurfacing the whole court.

Open House meeting with AI Britton of Parks re: Pirates Park stairs upgrade: - Reviewed the structure of meeting and decided Kevin Pistor should chair it.. The Lions will outline their role in the stairs and leave it to AI to discuss their plans. Rick to talk to AI to see if the set of stairs at Beacon House going down to the field can be tied into the Park stairs to save barging costs (he has since done this)

Gallows Dock concerns: - The pier was assessed by a geotech this spring and it was determined it is ready for replacement but still safe to use. The Lions were supposed to get a copy of the assessment but have not. Rick to ask for another copy and share it with PINA.

Canoe in the dog park - turned out to belong to a council candidate who came to the island to speak.

Since the meeting Art Groot has indicated he will be coming over to the island to review the dock work not done in summer and review the pickle ball court and "other" works that need to be done.

The annual chipping program went well, we had 21 people show up for the Capt. Hooks park clean up, the largest group yet and a huge amount of fire load was hauled out. The Lions also hauled some from Ben Gunn Park earlier as well as a big pile at Beacon House field. V I Tree was here for 5 days chipping and felled another 15 dead trees in the parks. There is still one tall difficult tree behind 63 Capt. Morgans in Capt. Hooks Park they will be sending over a special crew to deal with in the next week or so. There are still some chips available for people beside the community garden.

The notices for the Community Open House with Parks re: the stairs upgrade being held Nov, 21st will be going out this week and Veronica has confirmed with Al Britton and requested samples of the proposed treads be brought for people to see.

Discussion ensued, Gary Weikum questioned the integrity of the Gallows pier since the crack in the concrete has exposed the re-bar (where the strength of the structure is) which is now rusting. Dave & Doug will follow up with the City on the condition of it. Gary also wondered whose responsibility it is to maintain the pickle ball court, i.e. weeds in chain link fence and painting of lines etc. Jim Menzies to check out if it's part of the Lions contract.

The issues the Lions has with the log distribution after the falling of dead trees was discussed and it was decided Jim & Veronica would bring it up at the next joint PINA/Lions meeting to see if we can be of assistance in alleviating the burden.

Dave moved that reports be received as presented, 2nd Doug, Carried.

8: Correspondence from Port Of Nanaimo, NNN: See Any Other Business.

9: New Business:

a: ferry issues: Brief discussion re the need for emergency plan if anything happened to the ferry service.

b: Storm water management: Gary brought forward concerns regarding the flow of storm water runoff through Mike and Andria Gillespie's property. He raised the question of whether there is a storm water plan, as he believes the system is reaching capacity for draining it away. He suggested we ask for a storm water evaluation at the City, and to meet with a City engineer.

10: Any Other Business:

a) Port of Nanaimo: Patrick Belanger contacted PINA as he would like to have another meeting to discuss some issues: There is now 70ft of courtesy tie up that has been repainted. Many people are not registering at the Wharfinger's office when using the 3 hour tie up, and it is being over used by a few. Regarding the garbage and recycling bins – people are leaving bags of recycling by the bins. Patrick proposed to lock the bins between 10pm to 6 am. Jim MacQuarrie and Dave Carter will meet with Patrick to discuss the issues.

b) Nanaimo Neighbourhood Network: Gary attended a presentation on homelessness and affordable housing solutions. It was suggested that more neighbourhood consultation is needed, and community planning.

11: Next Meeting: December 5, 2018

12: Motion to Adjourn: 10.57 Jim MacQuarrie moved, 2nd Veronica