

PINA BOARD MEETING JANUARY 3, 2018

1: Call To Order: Meeting called to order at 7.30pm. Directors present: Doug Naylor, Veronica Zehntner, Jane Garcia, Dave Carter, Maureen Johnson, Gary Weikum, Jim Menzies, Jim MacQuarrie. Regrets: Kevin Pistor

2: Adoption of Agenda: Jim Menzies moved, 2nd Jim MacQuarrie, carried.

3: Approval of the minutes of December 6, 2017. Dave moved, 2nd Veronica, carried.

4: Matters arising from the minutes:

- a) **Mud Bay Survey and NPA lease:** We have a verbal approval from the NPA for the new lease and are just waiting for final approval of the survey.
- b) **Recycling:** Gary sent an email to Pro-Isle with a link, for people to write a letter of support for the Nanaimo Recycling Exchange.
- c) **NPA proposed 2018 lease rate for Mud Bay:** In a letter dated December 8, 2017, the NPA proposed a new lease rate for January 1, 2018 of \$ 2769.00. Dave moved that we accept the new lease rate, 2nd Veronica, carried.
- d) **Letter to Sheila Malcolmson re NPA:** a letter regarding whether the NPA has authority to charge us a lease was sent to Ms Malcolmson's office over a month ago. Receipt of the letter was acknowledged and her office will get back to us.
- e) **Meeting with NPA CEO on December 11 and island tour:** Gary Weikum distributed an email on Pro-Isle regarding this visit. **Please see attached.**
- f) **Response from Lions Club regarding park issues and public consultation for the stairs.** We have invited the Lions Club to a PINA meeting regarding Park maintenance. They won't be able to attend until April and will let us know when they can attend.

5: Treasurer's Report: Veronica Zehntner:

General Acct. No Activity Balance at Dec. 31/17 \$1.765.77

Dock Acct. Chq. issued to the NPA for 1 mo. @ old lease rate in the amount of \$379.40

Total Deposits \$785.17

Balance at Dec. 31/17 \$20.802.61

6: Roads Report: Veronica Zehntner:

Re: Bike rack rotation @ Circle. Called Public Works again today & received a call back from Roads Dept. foreman to say it's not them but Parks. Veronica Will contact Parks tomorrow and will also discuss the ongoing issue with Smugglers pond. She also had a good discussion about road work last summer and remedies for this year & will talk again closer to spring.

7: Parks Committee Report: Veronica Zehntner: See above

8: Correspondence: A letter was received from Barry Elmer regarding kayak storage at Pirates Causeway. PINA members will meet with him to go over the different options. Gary will draft a letter in reply. Maureen and Jim MacQuarrie offered to meet with Barry, and it was mentioned that the Lions Club may be the group to help with this project.

9: New Business:

- a) Determining demand for Boat Basin co-op moorage and storage lockers. Dave and Doug went around the island to do their own count of boats, kayaks and canoes – in their estimation there are 168. They suggested an island meeting within the next month, to outline a proposal for shared moorage in the boat basin. It was mentioned to include Peter Frewin regarding the proposed storage lockers for bikes and kayaks.
- b) Port Place Masterplan presentation to City Council. Monday's Committee of The Whole meeting will be at 4.30 in the Shaw Auditorium. Five speakers from PINA will each take a segment of the presentation. The proposal is for a service ramp with staging area to access the ramp, and a remote parking lot. There will be a notice to island residents re the meeting and encouraging residents to attend.
- c) The constitution: Jim Menzies proposed to bring forward at the next meeting, a detailed analysis of the constitutional bylaws to meet the requirements of the New Societies Act.

10: Any Other Business: Nothing to report

11: Next Meeting: Wednesday February 7, 2018

12: Motion to adjourn: Jim MacQuarrie moved to adjourn the meeting at 9.15, 2nd Maureen.

PINA Update on Meeting with Nanaimo Port Authority

A big thank you to everyone that participated in the tour and meeting with the NPA representatives on December 11. Both Ewan Moir, President and CEO and Mike Davidson, Real Estate Manager seemed very impressed with our community.

This was our second meeting with the NPA since Mr. Moir become CEO. It seems the NPA is serious about building a relationship with Protection Island and we now have some reason to improve our level of trust as progress has been made on at least one item.

1) The freighter issue which was discussed at the first meeting is still unresolved, but they have made a commitment to review the proximity of the anchorages to Protection Island. They have also indicated that their patrols will be more diligent in monitoring potential nuisance freighters, however specific complaints by residents will likely still be required. An unanswered letter that Alison Watt sent to the

NPA in June was brought to their attention. We were informed that there would be a reply as this was not the way they intended to conduct business.

2) The lease rate for Mud Bay dock has been reduced from \$4,550 in 2017 to \$2,769 in 2018 as a result of our objections to their valuation method. Apparently if the previous method of lease calculations had been used, the lease rate for 2018 would have been \$6,200.

3) The NPA will be preparing a new business plan for the Boat Basin during the first quarter of 2018. We have been asked to supply data on the number of Protection Island residents who may be willing to participate in a PINA managed group moorage co-op at the Boat Basin. They indicated that there is potential (NPA Board approval is required) to reserve and secure an area of dock space exclusively for Protection Island. This space would be adapted for commuter boats and kayaks. The NPA would also like details of our management plan to ensure it contains nothing that would cause them controversy.

PINA will be hosting a meeting for all Island residents in early January to collect ideas on how to manage a group moorage co-op and gauge potential demand. Stay tuned for a meeting date in the near future

Please also note that the NPA on December 15 announced opportunity for broad public input into the new Boat Basin Plan. Please go to this link for more information.

<https://npa.ca/en/blog/2017/12/nanaimo-port-authority-requests-input-users-develop-boat-basin-marina/> Most importantly, Protection Island residents will be included on a committee and participate in development of the new Boat Basin plan.

4) Peter Frewin presented a proposal for bicycle and gear storage in secure lockers near the wharfinger office. This idea seemed to be viewed positively and the NPA will review in more detail. We are to provide data on the potential number of participants from Protection Island.

5) The NPA listened to our needs for low slope water/land access at Gallows Point for those with disabilities and ambulance calls. They would like more details and are willing to assist us with our negotiations with the City, if asked.

6) The NPA listened to our request that the City of Nanaimo provide access to Protection Island at the Wellcox lands next to the Gabriola ferry terminal. Again, they would like more information and are willing to assist us with our negotiations with the City, if asked.

Yes, things are definitely looking better than last summer.

Gary Weikum

President, Protection Island Neighbourhood Association

