

PINA Board Meeting November 4, 2015

1: Call To Order: Meeting was called to order at 7.34pm. Members present: Kevin Pistor, Veronica Zehntner, Catherine Eck, Gary Weikum, Dave Carter, Jane Garcia, Francine Dupuis, Doug Naylor. Regrets: Chris Carrier.

2: Adoption of Agenda: Veronica moved to adopt the agenda, 2nd Dave, Carried.

3: Approval of the minutes of October 7, 2015. Dave moved and Francine 2nd, Carried.

4: Matters arising from the minutes: None

5: President's Report: None

6: Treasurers' Report - Veronica Zehntner

DOCK ACCT, at Nov.4th 2015 \$4.896.88
25 decals have been issued to date

2 cheques issued \$1759.43 for dock repair material & \$196.35 barging

GENERAL ACCT. AT Nov. 4TH 2015 \$1706.53
1 chq. issued for \$75.00 reimbursement of office exps

7: Roads Report: Nothing to report

8: Parks Report Veronica Zehntner

The clean up of Hidden Treasure Park took place on Sat, Oct.24th. We had a big turn out of over 15 people and over 2 hrs. hauled out a huge amount of dead limbs. We also cleared up the mess from the fallen dead tree in Ben Gunn park.

Monday Oct.26th Veronica & Jim Harris of DIGS met the barge with VI Tree(the chipper this year) and gave them a map and explained the plan. They also chipped residents' prunings left on the boulevards which were dumped next to the Community Garden for anyone to help themselves. They remained a couple of days to do private contracting for those with extra needs.

Everything went smoothly except some people still didn't follow guidelines and put out small branches less than 1" diameter which did not chip, so once again DIGS is stuck with a pile of branches which will have to be burned along with the piles from the last 3 years. VI Tree also complained about people putting rakings on their piles with rocks in them which could do really serious damage to the equipment.

9: Nanaimo Neighbourhood Association Report: Catherine Eck, Gary Weikum.

Catherine and Gary attended the meeting. The following topics were discussed:

-an overview of procedures to deal with unsightly premises

-programs to eradicate invasive plant species

-a summary of the work of Broom Busters in preventing the spread of Scotch Broom.

-there was also information provided at the meeting regarding the possibility of the City allowing PINA to manage a locked and secure bicycle storage in town.

Catherine moved that the reports be received as presented, 2nd Francine, Carried.

10: City Services sub-committee updates

a: City/NPA Liaison

i: Dock Lease: Dave has been in conversation with Mike Davidson at the NPA regarding the renewal of the dock lease at Mud Bay. Part of the process is to obtain a survey of the current dock as it relates to the

foreshore lease boundary. After discussion, it was moved by Kevin that Dave be authorised to engage Brock Williamson, surveyor, for a dock survey with a budget of \$2500. Veronica 2nd, Carried.

b: Parking : Catherine (bikes)

Rod Davidson has offered the use of a bike cage at the Port Theatre parkade. It would be offered with the understanding that it was managed by PINA. A discussion ensued regarding how to make it secure and a type of key card or electronic card that would have the benefit of not being able to be duplicated, and can also be tracked. Catherine and Gary will have a meeting with Rod and draw up a contract, to bring back for review.

11: Correspondence: Letters were received from Brock Williamson and Mike Davidson

12: Any Other Business

a) Fall Burning: Gary brought up the issue of burning every Friday and Saturday through November, and how doing this in the wet season creates a lot of smoke with implications for health, production of greenhouse gases etc. He asked, what are the alternatives to burning, and possible solutions. It was discussed that encouraging residents to keep burn piles dry under a tarp, using the chipping program , and the possibility of a dumpster being brought over from the City to take away vegetative matter. It was decided this would be an issue to discuss at the next AGM.

13: Next Meeting Wednesday Dec 2nd.

14: Motion to adjourn. At 9.30. Veronica moved to adjourn the meeting. Carried.