

# DIRA General Meeting February 8, 2010

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Denman Island Community Hall (back room)

**Executive Present:** Liz Johnston, Derek Hood, Patti Willis, Doug Wright, Max Campbell-Wedges

**Regrets:** Moira Webster, Andrew Scruton, Perri Gorrara

**Call to Order:** 7:30 p.m.

## **Motion to approve the Agenda:**

With one addition: Under New Business – broom at the side of the road. *M/S/carried*

## **Motion to approve Minutes:**

January 11, 2010 as read by Derek Hood. *M/S/carried*

## **Island Trust Report:**

Trustee David Graham announced two community information meetings; one for the proposed rezoning of the Hermitage on February 11, 2010; and, on February 23, 2010, the definition of seasonally flooded fields; proposed rezoning of Central Park for the cemetery; and proposed additions to the Official Community Plan re greenhouse gas emissions. He noted that Budget details are on the website for 2010/2011.

## **Executive Report:**

Doug Wright led a discussion of property taxes stemming from Executive discussion with the CVRD. He noted that the CVRD is planning a community meeting on Denman Island in February. The Executive is studying the Hornby model and will bring the information back to the community.

## **Committee Reports:**

1. **Nominating Committee:** Patti Willis is Executive liaison and Bev Hollingsworth and Derek Hood agreed to work on this committee.
2. **Dock Committee:** John Johnston announced 2 Motions to be brought forward at the March DIRA meeting concerning changes to the uses of the community dock.
3. **Membership Committee:** Derek Hood read the Notice of Motion to be brought forward at the March DIRA meeting to clarify voting and membership in the DIRA Constitution.
4. **Bill Mee Park Committee:**
5. **Old School Committee:** no report
6. **\*Pesticide Free Committee:** no report
7. **Parks committee:** no report
8. **Trails Committee:** Walking meeting at 10:00 February 9<sup>th</sup>.
9. **Waste Management Committee:** Bob advised that garbage tickets available at recycling depot; and, \$15,000 budgeted for glass crusher (May or June) and crushed glass will be free of charge to residents of Denman Islanders.
10. **Economic Enhancement Committee:** Karl Goodwin reported that work and progress continues.
11. **Denman Island Volunteer Fire Department:** Chief Don Lockett announced letter of intent from BC Ambulance Service (February 3, 2010) and put forth the following motion:

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## Motion:

That the letter of intent from the British Columbia Ambulance Service dated February 3, 2010, and signed by Barry W. Mann, Chief Financial Officer, be accepted as satisfying the requirements of the motion put forth at the September 14, 2009, DIRA meeting by the Denman Island Volunteer Fire Department for the one-time, extraordinary capital expenditure of \$25,000 for site preparation of the new Denman Island Ambulance Station. *M/S/carried.*

## Motion:

That the lease on the current facility of the Denman Island Fire Department occupied by the British Columbia Ambulance Services be extended based on their commitment to move forward with a project for a new facility. *M/S/carried.*

**12. Wildlife Advisory Committee:** no report

## Liaison Reports:

1. VIRL – Bill Engleson reported that a meeting will be held on February 11, 2010 from 2-4 p.m. in the back hall. Everyone welcome.
2. Ferry Advisory Committee – no report

## New Business:

1. Announcement that there will be a meeting (by Coal Watch) on February 11, 2010 at the Florence Filberg Centre at 7:00 p.m. in Courtenay regarding the Raven Mines.
2. Broom at the side of the road:

## \*Action:

Executive to inquire as to who is responsible for picking up the broom that has been left at the side of the road.

## Incoming Correspondence:

1. WMC Re: Signed copy of Contract with Sun Coast Waste Services ( January 1, 2010)
2. Ralph McCuaig Re: Emergency Protocol during power outages (January 14, 2010)
3. HIRA Janet LeBlanc Copy of HIRA Contract with CVRD (January 15, 2010 )
4. CVRD Brian Alaert Re: New 'Parks' Contract inquiry (January 20, 2010)
5. Bill Engleson Re: VIRL Strategic Planning Meeting to Feb 11 ( January 21, 2010)
6. 2010 Contract for Bill Mee Park Employee from Committee ( January 25, 2010)
7. Copy CC of Playground Equipment Inspection for Community Hall DIRCS  
( By Mail January 25,2010)
8. School District No 71 Thank you for donation to SD for Jim Aiken & Marcus Isbister Memorial Bursaries with receipts (by Mail January 25, 2010)
9. Ministry of Transportation Access Permit for Lot 257 (January 28, 2010)
10. DFO Copy of 'Authorization for Works' for Lot 257 ( January 28, 2010)

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### Outgoing Correspondence

1. Letter of support from DIRA for DIMS January 12, 2010
2. Letter to Islands Trust from DIRA Re: Raven Mines January 13, 2010
3. EOI from Dock Committee to ICET January 12, 2010
4. EOI from Dock Committee to WestCCAP January 12, 2010

**Motion to Adjourn: 9:31 p.m.**