

Minutes of a meeting of the Saturna Island Parks & Recreation Commission held Thursday, December 9, 2021 at the Recreation Centre lounge.

Present: Paul Brent, Chair, David Osborne, Treasurer, Mairead Boland, Vice-Chair, Kyra Haworth

Absent: Ian Gaines, Andre Green, Rick Jones

Guest: Keith Preston

1. The meeting was called to order at 4:30 PM. David agreed to chair the meeting. He welcomed the persons present, especially our guest, who is a Commissioner for 2022. A quorum was noted. Our presence on the traditional territory of the Coast Salish peoples was acknowledged with thanks for their long stewardship of this beautiful island.

2. The agenda was adopted as circulated by consent.

3. The minutes of November 11, 2021 were accepted as circulated by consent.

4. David delivered an oral report as Treasurer. Routine expenditures since our last written report attached to the October minutes result in surpluses in all accounts for 2021. Paul has received an application from Dale Vankoughnett of this island for the bookkeeper/ administrator position advertised recently. He will circulate her application and brief resume. She will work with Marc Vidovic to learn the position. Paul will contact our only other applicant to inform him.

5. Project reports:

a. David delivered an oral report on progress for replacement of the pit toilet. Paul confirmed the opinion that the current toilet cannot be pumped or reused.

6. Funding requests:

a. The detailed estimate and drawings for the new cabinets at the FAB have been circulated in support of the funding approved at the November meeting. They meet the budget approved.

b. Paul and Kyra continue to work on a metal storage container for Winter Cove park. Specs to be provided to Parks Canada, whose land it stands on.

c. Moved by Paul seconded by Kyra, that the Commission provide up to \$600.00 for purchase of specialized masks for the Saturna Singers as requested in their recent application in order to facilitate a 2022 season for the choir. After discussion, Carried. It was noted that, in general, preference should be given to funding applications which will result in purchases to be shared, not for individual use.

d. Moved by Mairead, seconded by Paul, that the Commission provide up to \$500.00 to the Saturna Birders to facilitate the 2021 Xmas bird count on Saturna. After discussion, carried.

7. The application of Sienna Caspar was circulated to the Commission. She has been approved as a Commissioner for 2022. Paul reported that the four applicants approved by us have now been confirmed by the CRD Board as required.

David thanked the outgoing Commissioners Paul Brent, Ian Gaines and Rick Jones for their service to Saturna Island. Paul confirmed that he will continue to attend meetings as the alternate for David Howe, the Director.

8. New Business:

a. SIPRC has no assets containing problematic materials to retire. Paul will report this to the CRD.

b. SIPRC has no decommissioned or problematic wells or groundwater areas. Paul will report this to the CRD.

c. The receipt of the CRD vaccine policy was acknowledged.

9. The meeting was adjourned at 5:30 PM. Next meeting, January 13th, 2021.