

THETIS ISLAND COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION
ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING
MAY 05, 2011

CALL TO ORDER: The meeting was called to order promptly at 7:30 p.m. with President Carolyn Askew in the chair.

WELCOME: Carolyn extended a warm welcome to the 46 members and several guests present, and thanked them for taking time to attend.

AGENDA: It was moved that the agenda be adopted as circulated. Carried.

BOARD REPORT: President Carolyn Askew gave an overview of the Board's activities for the past year, commenting on the establishment of a Garden Group at Forbes Hall, Thetis Island Day, and our continued support of the Hall Manger position. The ongoing review of hall rental policies was mentioned as was our need to become compliant with the province's liquor policy. Our relationship with the Community Fund was clarified and an agreement regarding cooperation in fund raising noted.

TREASURER'S REPORT: Matt Hess used an audiovisual presentation which was both humorous and informative to report to the membership the details of the association's finances. He went through the income statement line by line and praised all volunteers for the considerable income derived from their efforts. A motion to approve the financial statement as presented was made and carried.

A focal point of Matt's presentation was that the basic costs to operate the hall should come from membership dues. Accordingly, he moved that TICA membership rates be raised in 2012 to \$75.00 per family and \$38.00 for an individual from the current \$55.00 per family and \$28.00 for individuals, and the motion was carried.

Matt moved that whenever TICA intends to spend over \$2,000.00 it must have the membership's approval at an AGM or Extraordinary General Meeting. A motion to amend this motion to read \$3,000.00 instead of \$2,000.00 was made and carried. The motion was then carried as amended.

MAINTENANCE REPORT: Andy Keir read his report outlining work done over the past year and commenting on work proposed for the upcoming year. Of greatest interest to the meeting were his comments regarding the removal of the Thetis wallhanging and what the Board felt would be needed if the community wished to reinstall it. He read two letters received on the matter and a further two letters were read from the floor. At this point a motion was made to accept his report as presented and the motion was carried.

Several comments regarding the wallhanging were received from the floor prior to it being moved that an ad hoc committee chaired by Denham Kelsey be established to take custody of the wallhanging and investigate its repair, cleaning and mounting, the committee to report back to the membership. The motion was carried.

LIBRARY REPORT: Sandy Alexandre presented her report noting a healthy bank balance and a considerable increase in the usage of the Hunter Room. Sandy extended an invitation to anyone wishing to become a Friend of the Library to join those already so engaged. It was then moved and carried that Sandy's report be accepted as presented.

KITCHEN REPORT: Ann Dickie presented an oral report to the membership outlining the need to improve the kitchen to continue to use it as a commercial kitchen. She convened a meeting in February of all parties involved in the kitchen with a view to agreeing on the upgrades that would be needed to meet everyone's requirements. From this meeting it emerged that new cupboards, sinks, counter tops and faucets would be required, amounting to \$8,155.00 including installation and painting. Accordingly, it was moved that the membership

approve the expenditure of \$8,155.00 to effect the renovations to the kitchen outlined by Ann so that we may continue to use the kitchen for commercial purposes. After a period of questions and discussion the motion was carried.

Ann made a plea to the membership to refrain from simply dropping kitchen items off at the hall without firstly asking if they are needed or wanted.

Ann outlined progress in setting out policies and procedures regarding the sale of alcoholic drinks at the hall, suggesting a cadre of persons with Serving It Right certification might be the best avenue to follow. Discussion followed until ended by Carolyn who noted that the matter was still a work in progress.

Ann reported a very successful year with Soup's On. Eighteen volunteers put in some 350 hours to raise funds for the Red Cross, kitchen equipment, and the kitchen upgrade besides, of course, providing many delicious lunches.

A motion to receive Ann's report as presented was made and carried.

QUARTERLY REPORT: Veronica Shelford reported on her quest for a new printer for the Quarterly and sought assistance in taking materials to and from Sydney where our new printer is located. She also thanked the many "invisible" volunteers who work hard to turn out our Quarterly.

It was moved and carried that Veronica's report be accepted as presented.

COMMUNITY GARDEN REPORT: Stephanie Cottell thanked all who voted to establish the community garden and also Ron Bannister, Ernie Hunter and others for their time and materials in getting equipment and services installed. She indicated that the project is well under way and making good progress. An invitation to participate was extended to all and we were advised that a section in the library has been created for gardening books.

It was moved and carried that Stephanie's report be accepted as presented.

MINUTES OF MEETINGS: It was moved and carried that the minutes of the April 22, 2010, Annual General Meeting be adopted as circulated. Also, it was moved that the minutes of the November 16, 2010, Extraordinary General Meeting be approved as circulated and this, too, was carried.

ELECTIONS: Cecilia Inness introduced the elections for a new Board and expressed her pleasure that so many people were willing to be involved. It was moved that the membership approve an increase in the number of directors to twelve and, after a short discussion, the motion was carried.

Elected by acclamation were: President.....Matt Hess
Vice-President.....Dee Smith
TreasurerVirginia Lamb
Secretary.....Don Sinclair
Directors at large.....Leslie Milliken
Andy Keir
Carolyn Askew
Ron Bannister
Nettie Hayter
Veronica Shelford
Ann Dickie
Jane LeBaron

NEW BUSINESS: A motion of thanks was made to Carolyn, Andy , and all who worked with TICA. Carried.

A motion was made to adjourn the meeting and the motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,
Andy Keir.