

THETIS ISLAND COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

MAY 24, 2012

CALL TO ORDER: The meeting was called to order at 7:32 pm with President Matt Hess in the chair.

WELCOME TO MEMBERS AND GUESTS: Matt extended a warm welcome to the 34 members present and thanked them for taking the time to attend.

AGENDA: It was moved that the agenda be adopted as circulated. THE AGENDA WAS APPROVED.

MINUTES OF AGM FROM MAY 5, 2011: It was proposed that the minutes from the May 5, 2011 Annual General Meeting be adopted. THE MINUTES WERE APPROVED.

BOARD REPORT: President Matt Hess gave an overview of the Board's activities for the past year. He noted that Aikido, Yoga and Scottish Country Dancing have been new activities that have been added to the hall schedule in addition to many drop-in activities. With so many hall bookings, it was noted that the demands on the hall manager's time has meant that some of her duties had to be trimmed in order to keep them within the 15 hours per month that had been budgeted. Three improvements to the hall were noted; the kitchen renovation was completed, the wall hanging was restored and re mounted, and new stages were purchased with the Thetis Island Arts Council. Fundraising activities were mentioned, including the post-parade event, the art auction/dinner and the Quarterly. The loss of the CAP funding was noted and that TICA would like to continue to fund the Internet access service. No concerns were expressed about funding this service. THE BOARD REPORT WAS APPROVED.

TREASURER'S REPORT: Virginia Lamb presented the financial statement for the year ending Dec 31, 2011. It was noted that the Library Fund and The Community Garden Fund were no longer included in the Operating Fund as they were dedicated funds used for a specific purpose. The current years increase in fees will be reflected in the budget for the coming year.

VIRGINIA MOVED THAT THE MEMBERSHIP FEES FOR 2013 BE SET AT THE CURRENT RATE. THE MOTION WAS APPROVED.

THE TREASURER'S REPORT WAS APPROVED.

PROPERTY MAINTENANCE REPORT: Andy Keir outlined the work done over the last year. These included the kitchen renovation, the repair of audiovisual equipment, restoration and remounting of the wall hanging. He also noted that with a rain water collection system an eco friendly treatment for the roof was needed. It appears that the most effective way of removing the moss without using harmful chemicals is by hand with a scraper. Part of the roof was cleaned on the April workday and more will be cleaned on another scheduled workday. Andy indicated that the Flo Logic system has been installed and has been working well to avoid excessive water loss from the tank. THE MAINTENANCE REPORT WAS APPROVED.

LIBRARY REPORT: Sandy Alexandre noted that the annual book and bake sale brought in \$2110.65 and another \$300 was given in donations. She expressed thanks to all the Friends of the Library who offer their time and support to the open library times. This years book sale will be on the July/Aug long weekend. She said that it won't be as large as last year as most of the remaindered books went into a huge garage sale in Duncan that shares all of the money collected between 5 charities in the area. THE LIBRARY REPORT WAS APPROVED.

THETIS ISLAND QUARTERLY REPORT: Veronica Shelford said the Quarterly will be out around June 4. As Veronica would like to take a bit of a break from editing the Quarterly, she is looking for someone to take over these duties for awhile or perhaps several people could become familiar with the job and work on a few issues. She indicated that it was a lovely job, interesting and not difficult. Veronica will continue to work on it till the end of the year if there is no one willing to come forward. THE QUARTERLY REPORT WAS APPROVED.

COMMUNITY GARDEN REPORT: Stephanie Cottell indicated that around \$1700 was raised at the Green Gala this past weekend. Some of the money will be used to construct a screen with benches and planters around the water tank, buy material and plants for bank restoration around the water tank, and plant a fruit and nut tree orchard in the garden. Six tea talks were presented at the hall during the spring and were all well attended. THE COMMUNITY GARDEN REPORT WAS APPROVED.

KITCHEN REPORT: Ann Dickie reported on the kitchen renovation and thanked the many volunteers who contributed to the cleaning and painting. The higher costs were due to the partial rebuild of the wall behind the sinks due to 'mouse condos', a larger pass-thru counter and a special non-porous backing to the walls above the counters. There has been an ongoing problem with the dishwasher over the past year but it seems to be in good working order now. A space heater was loaned during the winter months to remove the condensation problem that developed when the kitchen was warmed after being very cold. Ann mentioned two issues that need to be addressed. When there is more than one load of dishes that need to be put through the dishwasher, someone needs to attend to it so that the Soup's On crew or the Seniors' Dinner crew don't need to add this cleaning to their work load. The other issue involves cleaning the oven after it has been used. This

can be done the next day when the oven is cold but it needs to be done by the last person to use it.

THE KITCHEN REPORT WAS APPROVED.

SOUP'S ON REPORT: Annie Dickie indicated that over 1000 lunches were served this past year, raising around \$2500. Thanks was given to the 23 volunteers and the 2 Capernwray students who were so generous with their time. The Soup's On money raised was used to purchase many new items for the kitchen, including dishes and stock pots.

THE SOUP'S ON REPORT WAS APPROVED.

OLD BUSINESS:

Ad hoc wall hanging committee report: Den Kelsey thanked the 14 islanders who helped velco, tape, brush and vacuum the wall hanging. Special mention was given to Kirsten Mackie at the Royal Museum who advised them on the renovation, Carol Swann and Doreen Lilley who supervised the procedures and Ron Bannister who helped with the mounting. A question was asked about deterioration over time. Den indicated that the wall hanging will be easy to take off the wall to clean when needed and he also mentioned an old tapestry in England that had been around for over a thousand years.

THE AD HOC WALL HANGING REPORT WAS APPROVED.

NEW BUSINESS:

Bylaw changes: Carolyn Askew reviewed the changes to the bylaws that were updated using the current government sample bylaws. The bylaws were distributed in the mail out for the AGM.

A TICA member asked whether the auditor section repeal changed our charitable status. It doesn't.

Another TICA member asked whether a property owner who does not live on Thetis could be a TICA member? Yes.

CAROLYN MOVED THAT WE REPEAL THE EXISTING BYLAWS AND SUBSTITUTE THOSE BYLAWS WITH THE PROPOSED CHANGES.

THE MOTION WAS APPROVED.

Motion to set the size of the board:

ANDY KEIR MOVED THAT THE NUMBER OF MEMBERS OF THE BOARD BE 11.

THE MOTION WAS APPROVED.

ELECTION OF DIRECTORS: Andy Keir introduced the elections for the new board.

Elected by acclamation were: President.....Matthew Hess
Vice-President.....Donella Smith
Treasurer.....Virginia Lamb
Secretary.....Donald Sinclair

Directors at Large.....Sandra Alexandre
Carolyn Askew
Ronald Bannister
Rodney Brownlee
Nettie Hayter
Lesley Milliken
Veronica Shelford

Matt thanked outgoing members Ann Dickie, Andy Keir and Jane LeBaron for all their work on the board.

A TICA member asked about the purchase of new chairs. Matt indicated that this purchase would be pursued over the next year.

Steve Frankel announced that Jean Crowder, our MP for the area, would be at the hall on June 9 from 10:45 – 12:30. All are welcome.

ADJOURNMENT: A MOTION WAS MADE TO ADJOURN THE MEETING.
THE MOTION WAS APPROVED.

The meeting ended at 8:44 pm

Donald Sinclair
TICA Secretary