PINA Board Meeting October 11, 2017

1: Call to Order at 7.30 pm. Directors present: Dave Carter Veronica Zehntner, Gary Weikum, Kevin Pistor, Jane Garcia, Jim MacQuarrie, Jim Menzies, Doug Naylor. Regrets: Maureen Johnson

2: Adoption of agenda. Moved by Kevin, 2nd Veronica, carried

3: Approval of minutes of the September 6, 2017 meeting. Moved by Dave, 2nd Jim MacQuarrie, Carried

4: Matters arising from the minutes:

- a) Mud Bay survey and NPA lease. Brock Williams has submitted preliminary plan to N.P.A and is awaiting final approval.
- b) Veronica and Jim MacQuarrie put together an information sign for visitors to the island, which has been posted in the ferry waiting room and at the top of the walkway at the circle.

5: Treasurer's report. Veronica Zehntner:

General Acct.: Chg. issued in the amount of \$25.00 for new information signs

Balance at Sept. 30/17 \$1.895.71

Dock Acct.. : Chq. issued in the amount of \$456.15 for a 3 year supply of moorage decals

Balance at Sept. 30/17 \$9.356.97

6: Road's report Veronica Zehntner. Nothing to report

7: Parks Committee report. Veronica Zehntner:

- The stairs to Pirates Park have been repaired. Parks will be over again to continue upgrading them.
- The new hand rail was installed beside the steps to Jim Hawkins beach from Ben Gunn Park.
- The DIGS/PINA fall chipping program has been scheduled for Mon. Oct. 30th with the park clean up on Sunday afternoon Oct. 29th. (meeting place to be announced)

Volunteers are needed. The clean up of a park each year is in exchange for the City providing free chipping of residents' prunings left on the boulevards. V I Tree will be available for private contracting if needed.

8: Correspondence: Kevin mentioned that when we have a change of executives we should advise our contacts at the City of the changes via a 1 page email with list of executives, their positions, and include contact information. At the least, the City should have the current President and Secretary's contact information.

9: New Business:

- a) Nanaimo Harbour Forum. September 30, Shaw Auditorium. Dave attended and reported that it was a great event, where all interested parties shared their views. The presentation was concerning local control of the Nanaimo harbour. Present were, Tracy Samra (city manager), Sheila Malcolmson (MP), Doug White (councillor Snymeux band council) Odai Sirri (Nanaimo Marina Association), and two representatives of the Victoria Harbour Authority. Doug White emphasized collaboration between the Snymeux First Nation and the City of Nanaimo, while the Victoria Harbour Association directors emphasized developing a coalition of all stakeholders. The meeting was positive in Outlook and the consensus was to develop towards a goal of local control of our Harbour.
- b) **Wellcox Access and City correspondence:** Dave received a letter back from the City, acknowledging his letter to them, and PINA's participation in the Port Drive Waterfront Plan process.
- c) **Meeting with Sheila Malcolmson:** PINA directors met with Sheila Malcolmson September 11 on P.I. David Essig was also in attendance and took brief notes of the meeting as follows:
- d) Topics we discussed:
 - 1. NPA governance and impact on P.I.
 - 2. Freighter Anchorages near P.I.
 - 3. Federal/Provincial/Municipal initiatives with potential impacts on P.I.

Follow-up items:

- 1. PINA: Sheila needs a copy of Gary Weikum's letter to the Fed Min of Transport, outlining the problems P.I. has with the NPA.
- 2. Individuals: Sheila would like to have personal narratives from island residents who are affected by the freighter anchorages.
- 3. PINA: Sheila requests that P.I. continues strong communication with MLAs, especially re need for Senior Care/Housing facility on P.I.
- 4. Mud Bay Dock Committee: Sheila recommends letter to NPA asking for cancellation of water lease payment for the Mud Bay dock; copy to Sheila's office.
- 5. Individuals and Community Organizations: Sheila requests letters of support for her Bill 362 re Solutions to the problems of Abandoned Vessels.
- e) **Unsightly premises process:** Residents are reminded that PINA will represent residents and take complaints they may have to the City on their behalf. Kevin moved that the meeting move into committee. 2nd Veronica. We discussed issues relating to bylaw complaints. Kevin moved that the meeting move out of committee. 2nd Jim MacQuarrie.
- f) City of Nanaimo Arts and Culture Gathering: Jim Menzies attended a meeting which was aimed at building a cultural network amongst Nanaimo's arts community. He recommends this group to any artists from P.I who may find it interesting. There is a new web-based service hosted by the BC Alliance for Arts and Culture that connects people who need space for their activity with space that is available. It is a free service for both those who want to look for space and those who want to make their space available, and includes everything from garages that are available for rehearsals through to large performance spaces. Check it out at https://bc.spacefinder.org/
- g) **Nominations for 2017 Culture and Heritage Award:** Jim Menzies led a discussion on the Cultural and heritage Award nomination process.

- h) Role of PINA and Lions Club in parks and road maintenance: It was suggested that Rick Biller of the Lion's Club be invited to the next PINA meeting, to discuss the role of PINA and the Lions Club in regards to the maintenance of our roads and parks.
- i) **Burglary issues:** Veronica suggested that PINA call an all residents meeting and Constable Gary O'Brien will attend to discuss general issues of neighbourhood safety and security.
- j) **Recycling:** Dave brought forward that the recycling depot in town, has asked for the support of the community as the City is proposing to close it. This is currently the most efficient one stop venue for all our recycling needs, as it takes a wide variety of items. Gary will write a letter to the City on behalf of PINA.

10: Any Other Business: None

11: Next Meeting: November 1, 2017

12: Motion to adjourn: At 9pm Veronica moved , 2nd Kevin.