

BOWEN ISLAND CONSERVANCY

Minutes, Directors' Meeting

02 October 2017, 7:30 pm

Venue: Owen's house, 680 Minnows Lane.

Present: Nerys Poole, Everhard van Lidth de Jeude, Adrian van Lidth de Jeude, Owen Plowman, Leo Chan, Allie Drake, Ellen Coburn,

Regrets: Bob Turner

1. **Approval of Agenda** approved
2. **Approval of prior minutes** approved
3. **Mapping initiative** We have data for mapping initiative for trail to Singing Woods. **Leo** will put it on line.
If we want more mapping, Leo is open to doing it. If we want to promote, helps to get it on maps.
4. **Nature reserves** Nothing to discuss
Viewing platform for Fairy Fen to be done next year in 2018.
5. **Speaker Series** October 28, 2017 – Ric Careless will be here to speak about logging. **Leo** agreed to do a poster. Co-founder of Sierra Club, part of Parks Council, has saved 100s of acres of forest lands. Will talk about community forests and why we shouldn't have one.
November 25, 2017 – date for AGM, 2:00 to 4:00 pm. Jessica Torode of Van Aquarium will speak about whales. Place: BICS, room to be confirmed. **Nerys** to check with Sarah about which room – need it for poster.
Ellen contacted JoLynn Minnar – movie Unearthed, we could show this at the Gallery. **Ellen** will send out an email to baord when she hears back from her.
Early 2018 possibilities– Jan/Feb – maybe something on fishing; Bob is making a video; need to check
Possible: Adam Taylor?
6. **Howe Sound initiative** Owen: Ruth Symonds organized a workshop today on biosphere region initiative. Suggestion: need to involve all the stakeholders, including tourism, industry – UNESCO talks about including everyone at the table in forming and promoting this. What are we doing about educating people about this initiative? Identified a number of issues on flip charts,

summary will be done of these and another meeting in spring.

Owen's comments: need to list the steps in order to get things moving and put a plan together. People need assigned roles.

7. AGM

See above for date etc.

Board needs: new treasurer; **Owen** will check the terms of each of us and let us know. **Owen** will contact PW. We can all think about potential people but won't contact anyone until we have discussed at next meeting.

8. NAPTEP

Report from Nerys and Owen on property visited in July – the Bolton property. Problem: less than 3 acres with an old oil tank on it, likely to be prohibitive in terms of costs of survey, etc. and not enough savings in taxes to warrant it.

9. T-Shirts

Owen: after the logging protest, wondering about how to keep our profile going. Suggestion: have a competition for a design and then sell them, put them at the info centre. Could get children Involved in design. Suggestion: get whole community involved. Leo thinks signage is something that could be used in a contest but with T shirts and bumper stickers, we might want to be more selective.

Adrian will speak with design teachers about the contest idea, will discuss setting some parameters around a design and how this might work in terms of the contest. Encouraging people to consider a design that might encourage them to visit Fairy Fen or other nature reserves.

10. Items deferred/pending

- Apodaca Park visit: For 2018
- Hikers Trail funds
- Public invitation to Fairy Fen (wait for signage and trails)

11. Other

Next meeting: Monday, November 6, 2017

Nerys' place, 150 Bannister Road