

Roberts Creek Community Association

Minutes of the General Meeting – November 25, 2015

Board Members Present: Scott Avery (President), Ian Thomas (Vice President), Emily Cooke, Douglas Fugge, Peggy Martin (Recording Secretary)

Regrets: Kathleen Hudson (Treasurer), Steve Bethune

Also Present: Heather Gatz (Hall Manager), Mark Lebbell & members of the public

MOTION MADE TO ACCEPT THE MINUTES OF THE LAST GENERAL MEETING OF OCTOBER 28, 2015 BY PEGGY/IAN. CARRIED.

MATTERS ARISING

Kitchen Update – The extractor has not been found yet, but will be placed where the microwave currently sits. We should get a microwave.

Fan Covers – Repairs – **Mariko and Allen are getting on the cupboard repairs.** The fan covers need to be put up – **Douglas and Heather will put the fan covers up. Ian will help if needed.**

Santa in the Creek – **Ian will co-ordinate.** Santa will come down in the reindeer truck. Bradley will act as an elf. There's lots of offers to be elves. **Mar-lynn is taking care of the gifts,** posters are ready to go. Promotion is going out – all we need now is to confirm everybody. Christmas tree is ready to be taken to the library.

Hall Manager's Report – Daniel is now the new kitchen renter (3 days so far). Brynn has paid his deposit. The hoses have been disconnected from the outside taps. The Xmas tree is decorated and lights are on, just need plugging in – available for the library on Santa in the Creek Day. There was a discussion about renting on Wednesday nights after the Market has vacated to Green Films. Heather said she came last Wednesday at 6:45 and the place was vacant though Daniel may want to change to Wednesdays. **Emily will have Billy Carol contact Heather re logistics of renting Wednesday nights re renting for \$20/hour.**

Treasurer's Report – In Kathleen's absence Ian discussed the Treasurer's Report. We made \$600 more than last year. We're still solvent, still have a few bucks in the bank. **MOTION TO ACCEPT THE BALANCE SHEET AND INCOME STATEMENT FOR THE PERIOD APRIL 1 – OCTOBER 31, 2015 MADE BY SCOTT/DOUGLAS. CARRIED.**

SCRD Directors' Report – Mark reminded that new grants will soon be available – deadline is April 1. Everything needs to be confirmed to show that the funds were used according to old grant.

The Hall has been reserved for Sun. Feb 21 (10:00 am till 2:00 pm) for the Emergency Preparedness Session. Large group workshops for the first hour and a half and the second half would be smaller workshops (2 sessions of 4). Topics are being pulled together for that. It's a

membership opportunity for the RCCA. **RCCA offered to do catering for that event. Mark is in charge of renting out the venues for this event.**

The SCRDR won an award from BC Hydro.

Schools are now available for rent on Saturdays – the only cost to rent it is the room cost, no custodian fees.

Industrial by-product – salt water soaked logs – are becoming a problem in Howe Sound.

Mobile home owners are getting worried about mobile home parks being sold/given up for development. The SCRDR feels the OCPs have that matter in hand.

There was a walk about down at the pier – there's funds now available for improvements to the route from the store to the pier. A safe walking space for people is essential. In the summer of 2016 they will be making these improvements.

There was a climate change workshop put on by the Federal Government at the SCRDR.

Parking issues around the Hall are being looked at by the SCRDR. The safety of people coming around the corner when there's an event going on is becoming an issue and being studied by the engineer who is doing some work behind the Hall. The RCMP are the only ones who can enforce parking bylaws in this area. A letter has been sent to the Province asking that the SCRDR have the right to regulate parking in rural areas.

General Meeting Invite – Jan 2016 - The RCCA Is proposing a daytime general meeting due to the very limited attendance of our Wednesday meetings. Much like Mark goes to the Gumboot Café for the public to put their input, it's been suggested that we have our monthly general meeting on a Sunday at the Gumboot or somewhere similar. Donna Sugar suggested we have an email blast to all members regarding the meetings – she had trouble finding the information on tonight's meeting. She felt this should be tried first, before changing the venue. It was pointed out that so long as something is of local interest, people will come to the meetings. It was suggested that perhaps a survey or poll could be performed so we could find out who would be for or against the change of venue.

Any Other Business

Current Forestry Model – Douglas talked to the people at the local mill - - they are not happy with the current forestry model, but they're happy that the bus shelters were built with local wood.

Next general meeting is Wednesday, January 27, 2015.

Meeting adjourned at 8:33 pm.