

**DENNY ISLAND COMMUNITY (DEVELOPMENT) ASSOCIATION
CENTRAL COAST CHAMBER OF COMMERCE
EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETING AGENDA
TUESDAY, APRIL 17, 2018 7PM - DENNY ISLAND COMMUNITY HALL**

Meeting called to order at 7:04pm

Present: Deb Coulter, Sharon Mackey, Mark Schlichting, Jim Hadley, Jean Wood, Ana Santos and Wendy Iglesias.

Absent: Betty Hadley, Dan Bertrand, Teresa Watling, Fred Definney and Kayla Schryer.

Guest: Ramona Goossen

1. Changes & Approval of Agenda

Motion to approve agenda; Mark/Jean

2. Review & Approval of last Meeting Minutes

Change from Dash 8 to Dash 7.

Motion to approve minutes from last meeting with changes; Jean/Jim

3. Treasurer's Report

On Teresa's behalf, Mark hands out financial statements. A few cheques to sign Shearwater – baking supplies, annual office supplies; Chameleon Creative – website security patch. DICDA – floor waxing party expenses.

Ana re-registered DICDA as a Society with BC Registries (\$40) and the Chamber (CCCC) as a Board of Trade (free of charge).

Motion to accept Treasurer's report – Sharon/Jim – seconded Jean

Jean looked into Hydro bills on request of Doug Sharkey. She said everything is fine.

4. Correspondence

Nothing to report.

5. Denny Island Community Development Association (DICDA) related reports:

5.1 Infrastructure (gazebo, kitchen, building)

Fred was looking into ordering parts for the kitchen. As soon as he gets back we will have an update.

Gazebo – Travis placed the seven bases and fill. Still have to put bigger rock in the ditch at a later date.

Still have to drill holes for posts. Mark looked at the logs and the bark has come off nicely. Mark says we need to get the woodworking crew together to start assembling the Gazebo.

Steve Emery volunteered and cleaned a few gutters but the storm has caused more blockage. Lights in the foyer are out and need replacing, will ask Sharkey and see if he can do it.

5.2 DIRT (Denny Island Recycling Team)

Still waiting for confirmation of grant to hire a student for the summer. We did complete the grant application to the AgriSpirit Fund (made available by Farm Credit Canada) in time. If successful, funds will be spent on a baler for the recycling centre and a composter for the community garden. We are waiting to hear about that in August. April 22nd is Earth day and Denny Island cleanup, and Betty will be giving a presentation on recycling afterwards.

5.3 DIG (Denny Island Gardeners)

Wendy is adamant that they get a fence made this year because of the deer. The grant that they applied for won't have confirmation until May. The Bella Bella doctors (Dr. Shear) have donated a greenhouse 7x10. They have to wait to get a cement pad made before they can set up the greenhouse. They still have to figure out where to situate it. Some preparation in the garden should be done before the greenhouse is installed.

5.4 Emergency Response/Fire Protection

Ingmar has been having weekly meetings with volunteers for the fire response team.

Because of the fire season and tsunami warning, and since the Community Hall is our mustering station in case of emergency, the CCRD is going to help us get Internet access to the building via a link from the school.

5.5 Denny Island road

Ana received an email from Interior Roads checking in on the condition of our road.

6. Central Coast Regional District (CCRD) related reports:

Ana has put the areas on a map for us to view. The CCRD had their monthly meeting in Bella Bella March 29. They released the Grant-in-Aid funding figures. We got \$5K for the kitchen. OF, BB and Oweekeno probably didn't put in grant apps. The Board of directors was shown their budget for the year, which includes \$10k for a feasibility study re. establishment of a fire protection service on Denny Island. The study will contemplate two options: A fire protection service completely separate from the water system, and a fire protection service which would utilize the fire hydrants from the water system.

CCRD has received funding to hire a grant writer again this year and also an EDO (Economic Development Officer).

Water system engineers were here last week and "dug \$40K worth of holes". The engineers will come back out the beginning of May with the CCRD to discuss the water system.

Director Travis Hall from Area B will be presenting the CCRD with a formal request for financial help for infrastructure work in Bella Bella. The Heiltsuk have removed their agreement with Marine Harvest in Ocean Falls.

Indigenous Marine Response Centre: The CCRD delivered their support letter to the Heiltsuk.

6.1 EDAC (Economic Development Advisory Committee)

EDAC has given us unanimous support for a Contribution Agreement with the CCRD. If approved, we'll receive \$5K for our marketing initiatives (website and logo).

There may be funds available for business façade beautification, \$5K for this fall – application.

Legislation for cannabis sales: There may be exceptions for rural communities and stores may be able to sell both liquor and cannabis from the same site; they are still looking into it. Jim will keep us posted.

6.2 Ferry Advisory Committee

Mark talked on new ferry progression. Meeting in May. Delay bringing the ferry in due to refit. June 27 was the date it would have arrived on DI. July 20 onwards will be the Sea Wolf and Mark has been trying to get info on the bookings from Port Hardy to Bella Bella. Also hard numbers on summer bookings, etc. He also wants to know how the winter schedule is going to work as well. Also, has asked if they would use the Sea Wolf to run to Hardy in the winter as a supplement to the regular ferry runs. Agendas were sent to outlying areas to see their response. Bella Bella says that nothing will change for them presently but they will see in the winter how it goes. Port Hardy wants to know the schedule and events.

6.3 Denny Island Airport Commission

Jean offers report: The Commission met and agreed that Sharkey would continue to run the show as Chair. New member: Steve E. The other members are Danny O., Ingmar L., Mark S. and Jean W. Garbage and rocks on the runway: They agreed to get a sign that says "you are under video surveillance". Also annual brushing contract is now out. The building needs some improvement, mainly the roof. They have \$18k to do the renos but need plans to see what would be most cost effective.

6.4 Denny Island Recreation Commission

Ramona G., Krista R., Mark B. and Lon S. are members of the DIRC, along with Travis Hall from Bella Bella as CCRD rep being appointed to oversee the group. Summer events will be posted shortly and they are looking for a storage place. Hope to have ideas for the next meeting.

7. Unfinished Business

7.1 House numbering

Mark revised the map, correcting the numbers and streets. Number posts would be nice for the island, that would help Hydro and Telus personnel find houses.

A motion to adopt house numbering into the next general meeting; Mark made a motion and Sharon seconded; all accepted.

7.2 Bylaws: Discussion on proposed changes related to:

7.2.1 General update to reflect both organizations.

The name needs to reflect both DIR and CCC.

7.2.2 Membership Dues (Article IV, Section 17)

People should continue to pay the \$20 dues. Ana suggested that for the \$75 business annual dues, notices should go in the mailboxes instead of emails. Ana will approach Teresa about this.

7.2.3 Honorary Memberships (Article III, Section 15)

Motion from Jean to decide to keep the Honorary Membership or abolish it. This will be addressed at our next General meeting. Sharon seconds the motion, all in favour.

8. New Business

8.1 Priorities and Goals 2018

This is another topic for the General meeting next month. Priorities include gazebo, kitchen, office, garden fence, Internet, roof extension for the wheelchair ramp, website. It would be nice to get interest from community on what they would like to see on Denny Island and what they think our priorities should be. Benches on the road and some trails for rest and view points. Sign post to direct people to businesses and services.

9. Marketing & Communications

Website has problems and very outdated. The website people wanted to know if we want to update it. The money (from CCRD for our marketing initiatives) won't be here for a while. We should get a quote for updating the website. Wendy suggests Wordpress; they are inexpensive and easy to update. She suggested a former web technician that she has used in the past and see if that would work. Mark and Ana will discuss all this with current website provider (Chameleon Creative).

10. Community Announcements

April 22nd 11am meeting at community centre for Denny Island Clean-Up followed by BBQ.

11. Adjournment

9:14pm adjourned.