

Otter Point and Shirley Residents and Ratepayers Association Directors' Meeting

Held Tuesday, August 23, 2005
SEAPARC Arena/Pool Complex, Boardroom
7:30 p.m.

Present: Ken Pungente (president), Arnie Campbell (vice-president), Jim Dexter, David Evans, Sandra Barta, Wayne Fritz, Mitch Moneo

Public: 3 members of the public

1. Adoption of Agenda: moved by W. Fritz, seconded by D. Evans that the agenda for the August 23, 2005 directors meeting be approved.

2. Minutes of the June, 20 and July 18, 2005 Directors meeting were approved.

3. M. Moneo appointed as minutes taker for the August 23, 2005 meeting.

4. Old Business:

a) K. Pungente reported to OPSRRA directors that there had been no reply as yet to letter written to Elections BC regarding issue concerning proximity of assigned voting places for some Otter Point residents.

b) K. Pungente reviewed letter sent by OPSRRA to Ministry of Highways Approving Officer regarding the discrepancy of the survey of Kemp Lake.

c) A. Campbell reported that OPSRRA received a reply from Juan de Fuca Electoral Area director Erik Lund about the role and composition of the Advisory Planning Commission; specifically concerns about conflict-of-interest.

d) K. Pungente reported that OPSRRA had received an Aug. 15 reply from the Ministry of Community Services regarding annexation by the District of Sooke of Otter Point lands. Issue to be discussed as New Business.

e) J. Dexter reported that there was a great deal of opposition at a recent Shirley Educational Action Society (SEAS) meeting to the proposal to develop a RV park at Eagle Light General Store near French Beach. The proposal is subject of a Sept. 7, 2005 Shirley APC meeting.

f) J. Dexter reported that Chew Excavating has been ordered to discontinue excavating soil from its Shirley property and to remediate the property and repair the road by the end of October, 2005, after which time residents have one year to examine the property to ensure it was properly remediated.

g) K. Pungente reported that he would circulate an updated membership list to directors within the next two or three weeks.

h) K. Pungente gave an update of the community notice board project. D. Evans reported that the stencils for the notice boards were ready.

i) S. Barta reported that OPSRRA web site changes were underway and that she was seeking assistance in building a form for the site.

j) K. Pungente and D. Evan reported they had not yet had an opportunity to meet with the new editor of the Sooke News Mirror. D. Evans had reported that he has written a story for the Rural Observer re: his recent encounter with a black bear.

5. New Business:

a) J. Dexter reported that the Shirley Jordan River OCP was completed and has been forwarded to the CRD board by the Land Use Committee. W. Fritz that the Otter Point OCP had been approved by the LUC and forwarded to the CRD board.

A. Campbell expressed concern that the Otter Point OCP had been approved by the

LUC despite a number of outstanding issues that were raised at public hearings.

b) J. Dexter and W. Fritz reported on the status of the zoning committees for Shirley Jordan River and Otter Point. Committees have not been meeting while the issue of "standardizing" zoning for all Juan de Fuca areas is addressed by OCP chairs, planning staff and the regional director.

c) A. Campbell reported on the outcome of research he did, based on a complaint by and OPSRRA member about the lack of roadside mowing by Main Road Contracting. A. Campbell made a motion:

"That OPSRRA write a letter to Main Road and carbon copy the Ministry of Transportation asking that we have roadside mowing done earlier in the year."

Seconded by W. Fritz

Carried.

d) K. Pungente and A. Campbell reported on a meeting they attended with representatives of SARA, SEAS, and the East Sooke Business Association in relation to annexation. The meeting explored common ground between the various associations and it was agreed that they would keep in contact.

e) K. Pungente and A. Campbell reported on their meeting they had, along with members of the Otter Point Fire District and the Kemp Lake Water District, with Ministry of Community Services acting ADM Gary Paget with respect to the proposed annexation.

f) OPSRRA discussed actions that should be taken in response to the District of Sooke's annexation proposal.

It was agreed that a OPSRRA subcommittee be established consisting of K. Pungente, A. Campbell, J. Dexter and W. Fritz to work with SARA to list reasons and garner support for a counter petition by District of Sooke residents who wanted a vote on annexation.

OPSRRA directors agreed to adjourn the Aug. 23 meeting at 9:40 p.m. and reconvene on Sept. 6, 2005, 7:30 p.m. at the residence of W. Fritz to discuss item g) Planning for the September 21 membership meeting and any other new business.

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Held Tuesday, September 6, 2005
W. Fritz Residence, Carpenter Rd.
7:40 p.m.

Present: Ken Pungente (president), Arnie Campbell (vice-president), Jim Dexter, David Evans, Sandra Barta, Wayne Fritz, Mitch Moneo

- g) Advertising -- D. Evans to place advertisement in Sooke Mirror for membership
Calling membership – membership list distributed to executive for call out
Agenda items – W. Fritz to speak to Otter Point OCP/Zoning bylaws
Maureen Nelson to be asked to speak to Shirley OCP/Zoning bylaws
K. Pungente to speak to role of the APC
A. Campbell to speak to Annexation
W. Fritz to sell memberships
S. Barta to take minutes
K. Pungente to ensure flip chart is available
A. Campbell to provide OPSRRA activity sheet

It was decided that MLA John Horgan, Regional Director Erik Lund, and representatives from SARA, SEAS and the relevant East Sooke association be invited.

Planning for November elections – discussion around which candidates to participate in OPSRRA's All Candidates meeting and allocation of time. It was agreed that regional director candidates, school trustee candidates, LUC candidates and APC candidates should all be invited to the forum and that time constraints could be placed on the LUC and APC candidate's portion to ensure regional director candidates and school trustee candidates have adequate time to explain their positions and field questions. M. Moneo to seek direction from membership on time allocation etc.

6. Other business:

D. Evans to write letter to provincial highways ministry re: road widening for cyclists pedestrians

The executive was urged to support SARA members with the annexation counter petition process in any way they can.