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## OPSRRA ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING MINUTES

**Date:** Sunday, March 23, 2014

**Time:** 2:00 pm

**Place:** Juan de Fuca Electoral Area Services Building, #3- 7450 Butler Road, Otter Point.

**In Attendance:** Fiona McDannold – President; Brenda Mark – Treasurer and Directors Sandra Barta, Marika Nagasaka and Arnie Campbell. Five OPSRRA members, the JDFEA Regional Director and a member of the press were present. Regrets received from Debb Read.

1. **Motion to Approve the Agenda:** Sid Jorna/Murray Tompkins. Carried
2. **Appointment of a Recorder:** Arnie Campbell appointed.
3. **Announcements:**
  - 3.1 Shirley/Jordan River OCP review continues with monthly meetings.
  - 3.2 Shirley Craft Fair – Sunday, April 6<sup>th</sup> from 10:00 am – 4:00 pm.
  - 3.3 Shirley Fire Protection Society meeting, 2:00 pm, Sunday, April 13<sup>th</sup>, Shirley Hall.
  - 3.4 Reminder to complete the OPSRRA Medical Marijuana Facilities survey.
  - 3.5 Otter Point OCP going to CRD's Planning, Transportation & Protective Services Committee on March 26<sup>th</sup> re consistency with RGS.
  - 3.6 Juan de Fuca Community Land Trust – Forest for all Seasons, 11:00 am – 3:00 pm, Sunday, March 30<sup>th</sup>, Admiral's Forest, Otter Point.
4. **Minutes of the March 2013 OPSRA AGM:** A summary of the 2013 AGM minutes was read. Motion to approve the 2013 AGM minutes: Susan Isaac/Rosemary Jorna. Carried.

### 5. **Membership Report:**

Otter Point – 319 Shirley – 74 Jordan River - 21

Total voting members            414

Associate members                17

Total membership                 431

Non-members who receive our newsletter: 12

Since June of 2013 we have added 11 new members

Submitted: Sandy Barta, March 23, 2014

6. **Treasurer's Report:** April 8, 2013 – February 28, 2014

Debits: \$423.19

Hall rentals - \$35, Office Supplies - \$79.57, Society Registration and other fees - \$126.00, Miscellaneous AGM expenses - \$20, Map gift to CRD - \$105.30, Coast Capital share - \$5, Bank fees - \$13.85, Advertising - \$38.49.

Credits: \$254.67

Memberships - \$55.00, Donations - \$131.00, Interest - \$5.03, BC Gov't fee refund - 11.00, JdF Community Trails cheque for portion of map gift - \$52.64.

EXCESS OF EXPENDITURES OVER REVENUE            \$168.52

OPSRRA CHEQUING ACCOUNT BALANCE:            \$ 550.04

OPSRRA SAVINGS ACCOUNT BALANCE:            \$ 974.99

PETTY CASH BALANCE:                                \$ 49.36

TOTAL OPSRRA ASSETS:                             \$1574.39

Brenda Mark: Treasurer. Submitted March 23, 2014.

7. **President's Report:** Attached

8. **New Business:**

8.1 **Motion to change the Otter Point, Shirley & Jordan River Residents & Ratepayers Association's name:**

- The name of the Society is OPSRRA.
- The Society represents residents and ratepayers who reside in the communities of Otter Point, Shirley and Jordan River and are members of OPSRRA.

**Discussion:** Unable to find a suitable acronym for the association since the inclusion of Jordan River in 2013. The acronym OPSRRA has become well recognized over time and adopting it as the association's name would retain name recognition. Then, a separate statement would identify the three communities represented by OPSRRA.

The change will come into effect once approved by the provincial Registrar of Companies.

Susan Isaac/Sid Jorna.      Carried.

## **8.2 Motion to increase the lifetime membership fee to \$10.00:**

**Discussion:** The lifetime membership fee has not changed since the association was founded in 1982. Collecting an annual membership fee is time consuming. By increasing the lifetime fee the association could realize more income and also consider the option of on-line registration and payment using PayPal. Also, a DONATE button could be considered with this payment option. Doing general fundraising was discussed and considered unnecessary. OPSRRA has successfully fundraised for special projects such as the Welcome to Shirley and Welcome to Otter Point signs.

Rosemary Jorna/Murray Tompkins. Carried.

## **8.3 Motion to Adopt New OPSRRA Logo:**

**Discussion:** Numerous logos were considered over the past 18 months. The proposed version is adapted from one designed by OPSRRA member Michael Doerfler for his Otter Point Facebook page. The redesign was done by OPSRRA director Sandy Barta and incorporates the shoreline between Jordan River and Otter Point.

Heather Phillips/Sid Jorna. Carried.

**8.4 Report of the Nominations Committee & Elections:** Regional Director Hicks conducted the elections. Elected by acclamation for a one year term are: President - Fiona McDannold; Vice-President - Marika Nagasaka; Treasurer - Brenda Mark; Directors - Sandra Barta and Debb Read.

There are three director vacancies.

## **8.5 Address from the Regional Director:**

Director Hicks updated the membership on a range of activities underway or planned for the JDFEA, including:

- His intention to run again for regional director in the November, 2014 election.
- Economic growth in the JDFEA was 1.8% in 2013 and 2<sup>nd</sup>, overall, in the CRD.
- Port Renfrew is leading the EA in new construction with 40 more cabins selling in the \$350,000 range, installation of a generator so that water can continue to be available in a power outage and plans for a 180 berth marina.

- The increased level of logging in the Jordan River area is because the demand for raw logs and lumber is high.
- A letter of support for the Sheringham Lighthouse Preservation Society's efforts to acquire the Sheringham point Lighthouse has been written.
- An application from the Sheringham Estates Waterworks for a \$20,000 grant from the CRD's federal Gas Tax fund, to be used towards the repair of their waterline is being held-up by the CRD because the waterworks is not a non-profit and therefore may not be eligible.
- A generator has been acquired for the JDF Services Building.
- The Shirley/Jordan River OCP review is underway.
- A 60 foot tower, to be located next to the JDF Services Building, for JDF Search & Rescue is being pursued.
- The JDF Services Building meeting room will be available to local non-profit organizations at no cost provided it is left in a suitable condition and doesn't require additional janitorial care.
- Kemp Lake Waterworks is close to receiving a decision on whether they can vote on connecting to CRD water.
- South Island Water's request for access to more convenient CRD water connections is coming before the JDF Water Commission in late March. The recommendation is to use CRD federal Gas Tax money to install two new standpipes; one nearer to Otter Point and another in East Sooke.
- The draft Otter Point OCP will soon be coming before the CRD's Planning, Transportation & Protective Services committee for consideration of its consistency with the CRD's Regional Growth Strategy.
- The East Sooke fire hall will be replaced with a \$2.5 million dollar structure and their OCP review is underway.
- The regional director is now the chair of SEAPARC. Plans are underway to purchase a \$120,000 dehumidifier for the arena, \$28,000 for a new sign and to build a bike park in Sooke. There are also plans to meet with the Sooke Community Association and Sooke sports organizations to determine their community recreation needs as changes coming to the federal Gas Tax fund would allow funding for recreation.
- The regional director has been appointed to the CRD's Governance Committee. This committee makes the "rules" for the CRD Board of Directors.

- A new manager has been hired for Planning & Protective Services.
- The CRD has agreed to seek intervener status in the Kinder Morgan pipeline expansion application. The CRD's application will focus on the transport of oil from Vancouver Harbour, through the Strait of Juan de Fuca to open water and the possible impact on local mariners.

#### **8.6 Auction of the Sheringham Lighthouses:**

Director Hicks successfully auctioned the two "Sheringham Lighthouses" that were replaced on the two Welcome to Shirley signs. \$70.00 was raised for OPSRRA.

#### **8.7 Membership Issues:**

Members raised the following concerns:

- Illegal dumping in the community and in particular the dumping nearby and into DeMamiel Stream on Butler Main near the entrance to Camp Barnard.
- Lack of suitable pathways along the edge of roadways.
- The dangerous depths of some roadside ditches – especially where there is little or no shoulder.

#### **8.8 Motion to Adjourn:** Sid Jorna. Carried.