

GABRIOLA FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT GENERAL MEETING

A General Meeting of the Gabriola Fire Protection District was held April 7, 2021 at the No. 1 Fire Hall with four Trustees in attendance, absent were John Moeller, Mark Noyon and Sandra Rudischer. The meeting was called to order at 4:00 p.m. by Chairman Paul Giffin.

Penelope Bahr gave the opening greeting “The GFPID acknowledges that we are gathering within the traditional lands of the Snuneymuxw Nation”

The Chairman asked for any errors or omissions from the March 3, 2021 minutes, moved by Sean Lewis that the minutes be accepted as presented, seconded by Penelope Bahr, carried.

CORRESPONDENCE: N/A

TREASURER’S REPORT: N/A

FIRE CHIEF’S REPORT: (As per written report)

The following items were discussed after the report was read:

- TUP - are they vacation rentals? Yes.
- Fire Smart program - Co-ordinator grant explained.
- A Fire Smart garden at the Hall suggested - the Chief noted he had already met with the Commons about putting on a course here.
- Is the Bin program coming back? No, but there are contractors on the Island who will drop off bins and take the debris off Island.

TRAINING OFFICER’S REPORT: (As per written report)

ASSOCIATION’S REPORT:

The Fire Chief stated that the AGM had been held last night with Jenn Knight, President and George Wu, Treasurer stepping down. Alex Dewar was elected President while Liz Wallinger became the Treasurer.

The Chief also told the Trustees that the Association had just received a cheque from Mid Island Co-Op in appreciation of what we do.

OLD BUSINESS:

Bylaw 97 - Meeting Procedures

Paula Mallinson stated that while the bylaw had been passed Victoria had called and suggested that under electronic meetings we should include that the AGM can be held under extraordinary conditions. She noted that this change had been incorporated into the bylaw.

- Moved by Diana Moher that Bylaw 97 be accepted as edited, seconded by Penelope Bahr.
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- Moved by Sean Lewis that Bylaw 97 be accepted as edited, seconded by Penelope Bahr.

Bylaw 97 carried.

Communications - website:

- Email address - GabriolaChief (to contact Will Sprogis, Fire Chief)
- Who's in charge of the website? Evan McIntosh but Paula will be trained on it so she can post and edit.
- Some of the links are still not working? Trying to get this corrected.
- Minutes need to be cleaned up. PDF will be going up soon.
- Bios - not a bad idea, people ask who is on the Board, discussion. It was agreed that this would be brought up once the new Trustees have been elected.

Moved by Sean Lewis that the meeting be adjourned, seconded by Diana Moher, carried.

Meeting adjourned at 4:25 p.m.