

SATURNA RECREATION AND CULTURAL CENTRE: SIRCC

AGM – Annual General Meeting

November 14, 2008; 7:00 pm

Attending: Melanie Gaines, Tom Koochin, Grant Dickey, John Money, Al Stonehouse, Bernie Ziegler, Michael Vautour, Ian Smyth

Minute Taker: Amy Ewart

Guests: 27

1. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 7:06 pm by Acting President, John Money.

2. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

The agenda was approved as written.

3. APPROVAL OF LAST MEETING MINUTES

Meeting Minutes from the last AGM on September 29, 2007 were approved and accepted as read by Melanie Gaines.

4. BUSINESS ARISING FROM MINUTES:

None.

5. TREASURER'S REPORT

With his deepest regrets, John Money, Acting Chair confirmed that, unfortunately, Rick Mayher, former Treasurer has passed away. Bernie Ziegler has accepted the position of Treasurer. Bernie reviewed the auditing statements, and an overall review of our situation as of June 2, 2008. Bernie provided details about the SRCS's:

Total Current Assets

Total Liabilities

Profit and Loss

Audit Details

Legal Fees

GST Credit in amount of \$10,000

And Current status of the Ambulance Fund

John Money stated, that before his unexpected passing, Rick Mayher was comfortable with the Auditors Report, he had been comfortable that the money was well spent.

Motion: Bernie Zeigler moved that the Treasurer's Report be
Seconded by Ingrid Gaines.
Accepted and Approved.

CARRIED

5. APPOINTMENT OF AUDITORS

The Treasurer was to speak with the Auditors, and hopefully our next bill will be reduced.

Motion: Melanie Gaines moves to appoint Cowland & Paterson & Co, of Sidney BC to become our appointed auditors. Seconded by Dawn Wood.
Unanimously approved.

CARRIED

6. PRESIDENTS REPORT

Don Piper, the SRCS's Previous President retired from the position. John Money proffered thanks to Don for the wonderful job he performed and for his dedication to the position.

John Money is sitting in as Acting-President.

Discussion: Rick Mayher will be deeply missed, he put his passion and great efforts into this Rec building, and at the next meeting, we need to vote about how we will keep him in our memories, and that of the efforts he put into the Rec Centre.

John Money continued, by saying that the mandate of the SIRCC is "management of the assets of the property at the Recreation Centre. The Rec Centre is strictly a landlord of this building, and we want to manage it appropriately.

Jacques Campbell inquired as to what the Rec Centre's average consumption costs are monthly.

Melanie Gaines was able to clarify that our consumption for last period from Sept 16 - Oct 16th - was \$263.32 and \$81.90 for the White House, as the Ambulance is plugged into it.

7. NEW BUSINESS

None.

8. MEMBERSHIP FOR 2009

Membership fees are due January 1st of each year. Reminders go out in the Scribbler. Melanie recalls that a motion was passed in past stating (with memory) that *"If you are member in good standing, with the Recreation Centre, \$1 of that membership fee, entitles you to attend and vote with the Society."* This refers to both the Society and the Rec Membership fee.

Motion: Melanie Gaines moves that we the SIRCC, leave the membership rates the same for the 2009, as they were in 2008.

We will consider an increase in Membership Fees to the Recreation Centre in 2010.

Seconded by Al Stonehouse

CARRIED

9. AMBULANCE BUILDING STATUS

The SRCS is currently waiting to hear from the Ambulance Society, we hear that they are putting their project on hold at the moment.

Dawn Wood reported that the Ambulance is waiting for details of the MOU still. The Rec Centre Society would be amiable towards having a separate building.

Dawn would also like to say on behalf of the Health Committee, that Rick Mayher did so much work keeping track of donations and receipts. He did a lot of work voluntarily to help the Health Committee, and the Health Committee would like to extend heart-felt appreciation for all his dedication, duty and contribution.

Ray Lindsay commented how would we alienate this land, as it is not a charitable society. Under the act that allows us to issue receipts, we are not allowed to give receipts for a project that was not a similar charitable institution.

Bernie Ziegler said that we cannot turn over any donations to the SCC, because it is a private organization.

10. FIRE HALL STATUS

We have an agreement with the Fire Hall, and they have gone ahead and done the preparation for their site. The Fire Hall has gone to the Islands Trust to get some rezoning. It has had a 2nd and 3rd rating, and now this past week, they received a final rating.

The Fire Hall is planning for construction in the Spring. The Economy has turned around and there are a lot of bargains out there for building, the timing is perfect.

Jacques Campbell would like to know what the arrangement is between the SRC and the SIFPS. Lorne Bolton said in the Scribbler, it was purchased for \$1. Jacques questioned: "How is that the FPS won't walk away from the agreement?" She continues, that we've had issues in the past and she would like to know that the Rec Centre will be protected.

John Money responded by saying that it is written into the agreement.

Melanie Gaines read two clauses from the agreement.

Clause 8 and Clause 9:

John Money mentioned that the decision was made at the Board of Directors, not an AGM.

Susie Washington-Smyth says that more people in the community need to know more about what is happening, not just from notices in the Scribbler, so that all members of the associations, and all homeowners know about it.

John Money made the comment that the intention is to have this put on the website.

Wayne Quinn commented that the building could operate on 3 of the lines from the Thermal Geo Coils.

Melanie Gaines commented that the final conclusion is that the geo thermal field should be okay given that water flows through the coils appropriately. He also commented that the propane is currently shut down.

11. ELECTION OF DIRECTORS

Nominating Committee from John Money, Melanie Gaines and Rick Mayher made the following nominations:

- **Grant Dickey**
- **Melanie Gaines**
- **John Money**
- **Al Stonehouse**
- **Bernie Ziegler**
- **Michael Vautour**
- **Ian Smyth**

John Money asked if there were any further nominations from the floor. Dawn Woods nominated Michele Bourassa.

Ray Lindsay advised that said a notification is needed. Originally, the SRCS wanted to reduce the number of Directors from 17 to 7.

To nominate another Director, the nomination would have to be put into the Annual General Meeting Agenda, and complete all of the notice requirements to increase the Directors from 7 to 8.

Melanie Gaines suggests that Michele Bourassa's nomination is included into the next meeting.

Further discussion from the audience was as follows:

If there is a vacancy the existing directors can appoint.


- Michel Bourassa would like to be on the Board of Directors as per his interest indicated to Dawn Woods via e-mail, and a verbal discussion. He could attend the meeting personally, as he was teaching a Karate class.
- Al Stonehouse suggests that one of the Board of Directors speak with him about guidelines.
- Hugh Grasswick would like to say that it only seems correct that a person be at the meeting to accept the nomination, or written acceptance, that the individual is interested in running on the Board of Directors.
- An nomination and an appointment can happen at any meeting.
- Defer nomination to another meeting.
- Close this meeting, and deal with it at an Executive Meeting, to put the wheels in motion, to change the motion from 7 to 8 directors Ron Monk was willing to second it.
- Dawn Woods will withdraw the nomination, for the purpose of this meetings elections.
- John Money will speak to Michele Bourassa individually.

Motion: Melanie Gaines moves that the Elections of the Directors be accepted. All in favour. Seconded by Andrew Money.

CARRIED

John Money closed the Elections at 8:16 pm.

12. MEETING ADJOURNMENT: Moved by John Money that the meeting be adjourned, seconded by Ray Lindsay. The meeting adjourned at 8:16 pm.



 Melanie Gaines, Director

 Amy Ewart, Secretary