



G I L L I E S B A Y
I M P R O V E M E N T D I S T R I C T

A regular meeting of the Gillies Bay Improvement District held on the 13th of December, 2016 at the Gillies Bay Fire Hall.

Trustees in attendance: Jim Mason (Chair), Audrey Atkins (Vice Chair), Mave Leclair, Linda Holmes, and Jan Armstrong.

Staff in attendance: Mike Boeriu (Office Assistant), Ken Taylor (Water Operator), and Doug Paton (Fire Chief). Bridget Andrews (Administrator) attended by phone.

1. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m.

2. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

A MOTION to approve the agenda was moved and seconded by the Board of Trustees.

CARRIED

3. ADOPTION OF MINUTES

A MOTION to adopt the minutes of the October 11, 2016 regular meeting was moved and seconded by the Board of Trustees.

CARRIED

4. BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES/UNFINISHED BUSINESS

- a. The new PRRD Fire Service Agreement was signed and submitted to the PRRD.
- b. B. Andrews has been in touch with B. Vermeulen of BV Land Corp. about a possible sale of the TIFR holdings on Texada. Land purchase can't proceed until we've completed our public engagement session and held a vote for the rate-payers.
- c. An email was sent on December 6, 2016 to Mike Wall with the PRRD, requesting an update on the expansion of the "No Hunting Zone", to include Cranby watershed. Pictures were

offered of carcasses being dumped in the watershed, to support their case.

- d. Our water licence application was submitted successfully, along with the \$5000 processing fee.
- e. BC EHS has asked if the GBID would allow them to keep their office and storage space, if they give up the ambulance bay.

A MOTION to draft a letter stating that if that option is acceptable to BC EHS, it is acceptable to the Board of Trustees, was made and seconded by the Board of Trustees.

CARRIED

5. REPORTS

b. Water Operator Report

K. Taylor delivered his report on operations and the overall state of the water system.

a. Fire Chief report

D. Paton delivered his report on the operations in the fire department including calls, training, maintenance, budget and CAPEX.

The Fargo shelter's concrete pad has been poured. Al Davis generously donated the concrete and related materials.

Air Ambulance landings have resumed at the Gillies Bay Airport. GBVFD will respond and prepare the landing site.

An issue arose over appropriate activities for wearing fire department apparel, that precipitated a review of operating guidelines at the following practice.

A request was made that former mutual aid agreements be repealed, if the new PRRD Fire Service Agreement doesn't repeal all former agreements.

A MOTION that the Board confirm that all former agreements are no longer valid was made and seconded by the Board of Trustees.

CARRIED

6. BYLAWS

a. The 2017 Taxation Bylaw No. 221 was read. B. Andrews increased the rates per the directive of the Board following the 2017 budget review at the October meeting.

A MOTION to accept Bylaw No. 221 Taxation Bylaw 2017 was moved and seconded by the Board of Trustees.

CARRIED

7. NEW BUSINESS

a. Vice Chair

A MOTION to appoint Audrey Atkins as Vice Chair was moved and seconded by the Board of Trustees.

CARRIED

b. Meeting frequency was discussed. Changes to the Meeting Procedures Bylaw will not be necessary. Special meetings can always be called at the Board's discretion.

c. Illegal dumping of carcasses and kitty litter at Cranby Watershed was discussed. The Board directed staff to draft a document for the Express Lines and our website to educate the public about this problem. Surveillance was discussed, but the area is too large to cover. Additional signs have been posted around the watershed's perimeter. One of the Trustees will attend a policing committee meeting to find out what we can do to prevent and report dumping.

d. The GBID has sent an application to the PRRD for the Infrastructure Planning Grant to pay for a water conservation plan.

e. Next regular meeting: February 14, 2016 at 7 PM at the Gillies Bay Fire Hall.

Meeting adjourned at 7:54 PM

Approved By: _____(Chair)

_____(Officer)