

Minutes of February 18, 2025

A Meeting of the Gillies Bay Improvement District Board of Trustees 4:30 p.m. at the Gillies Bay Fire Hall

Present: Roger Kimmerly (Chair), Keith Franklin, Rolly Thorpe, Lisa Alcos, Carolanne White, Rob McWilliam (Fire Chief), Mike Corcoran (Incoming Fire Chief), Doug Nikirk (Operations Manager, George Kapetanakis (Water Operator), Juanita Walton (Corporate Officer)

Guests: Sandi Martens-Carpenter

1. Call to Order

Meeting called to order at 4:30 p.m.

2. **Delegation** – Sandi Martens-Carpenter

The Board heard Sandi's objections to paying Parcel Tax on the parcel not connected to water.

3. Adoption to Approve the Agenda

Motion to approve an amended agenda, moved, and seconded by the Board of Trustees.

CARRIED

4. Approval of the January 21, 2025 Board of Trustee Meeting Minutes

Motion to approve the Board of Trustee Minutes of January 21, 2025, as presented, moved, and seconded by the Board of Trustees

CARRIED

5. Business Arising from the Minutes

a. Thrift Store Lease

Key issues were the discovery that the Texada Island Thrift Store Society may have been dissolved in 2020 and therefore the lease may not be valid without a legal entity as leasee. In addition, there is still not a current copy of an insurance policy. The Board requested further investigation.

b. Future of Workshop

Selling the Workshop is not being pursued at his time. The Fire Department may use the workshop to store the Wildfire Kubota if the door were replaced. The Board requested that Doug find some quotes for a replacement door and bring to the next Finance Committee.

c. Dan Herlihy Property

The Board requested that a letter be sent to Dan, explaining that the presence of the right of ways prevents building on certain areas of the property, and suggest that Dan take up the issue with the sellers of the property.

6. Reports

a. Fire Chief Report

Motion to accept the Fire Chief's Report, moved and seconded by the Board of Trustees.

CARRIED

b. Motion to recognize Rob McWilliam

WHEREAS: Rob McWilliam exemplifies the spirit of community service on Texada Island,

AND WHEREAS Rob has served as Gillies Bay Improvement District trustee, including as chair, and has served as a volunteer fire fighter this past twenty years, six years as chief. **AND** whereas the Gillies Bay Volunteer Fire Department is left with exemplary morale, a sense of competence and efficiency, as well as expectation of continuing improved capability and efficiency.

We hereby **RESOLVE** that on behalf of **GBID** and the entire community we express a profound, enthusiastic, and heartfelt **THANK YOU.**

CARRIED

c. Operations Manager Report

Key issues were establishing a replacement schedule for saddles and curb stops project, investigating residents and properties downstream from the dam, and establishing priorities for the Operations Manager.

Motion to accept the Operations Manager Report, moved and seconded by the Board of Trustees.

CARRIED

d. Water Operator Report

Motion to accept the Water Operator Report, moved and seconded by the Board of Trustees.

CARRIED

e. Corporate Officer Report

Motion to accept the Corporate Officer Report, moved and seconded by the Board of Trustees.

CARRIED

7. New Business

a. 2025 AGM Date and Details

Two trustee positions are up for renewal. The Board discussed having better advertising that is clear and not vague, there will be no nominations from the floor, we may consider an educational component, and all AGM reports must be submitted at the April Board Meeting.

Motion that the 2025 AGM date be Sunday May 4 at 2:00 pm.

CARRIED

Motion that Rob McWilliam be the Returning Officer.

CARRIED

b. Compressor Repairs and Replacement

Motion to invoice Van Anda Improvement District for 50% of the Compressor Repairs. CARRIED

The Board discussed the replacement of the compressor and agreed to forward this discussion to a future meeting.

c. Budget for Water Works Expenditures

Motion that we budget 3000.00 for various for various expenditures relating to repairs, equipment, safety gear and training. **CARRIED**

d. Log Boom and Dock Proposal

Motion to accept Remote Marine Solutions' quote of 11,7811.00 to supply and install a boom at the dam.

CARRIED

e. Joint Meeting with VAID and Randene Neill

The Board requested that we move forward to make this meeting happen.

f. Express Lines

The Board discussed the content for the next Express Lines. Consensus is to announce the AGM.

g. TINSHS

The Ministry of Transportation and Transit has requested a Letter of Support for the seniors housing development. The Fire Chiefs expressed concerns about a fire lane and needing a hydrant for the development.

The Board requested a Letter of Support be sent, pending approval of the Fire Department.

8. Proposed meeting dates for February

Human Resources Committee

March 11, 2025 at 10:00 am

Water Committee

March 11, 2025 at 11:00 am

Finance Committee

March 12, 2025 at 4:30 pm

Board of Trustee Meeting

March 18, 2025 at 4:30 pm

Motion to adjourn at 5:58.

Approved By:

(Board Chair)

(Corporate Officer)