



**Annual General Meeting of the Gillies Bay Improvement District  
Sunday, May 5, 2025 at the Gillies Bay Fire Hall**

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

**Community Members:** 18

**Guest:** Clayton McCrea (Auditor)

**1. CALL TO ORDER**

The Annual General Meeting was called to order at 2:02 pm.

Roger read from Section 8 of our Letters Patent (1963) to remind members of the role of the AGM and of the Board of Trustees.

**2. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA**

**MOTION** to approve the agenda as distributed.

**MOVED** by Roger Kimmerly and **SECONDED** by Peter Skipper.

**CARRIED**

**3. APPROVAL OF THE PREVIOUS MINUTES**

**MOTION** to approve the minutes of the **April 21, 2024 Annual General Meeting**

**MOVED** by Roger Kimmerly and **SECONDED** by Ben Reiman.

**CARRIED**

\* At 2:15, the meeting was interrupted by a Fire Call, and 6 members of the Fire Department exited the meeting.

\* At 2:17, the meeting reconvened, with 12 residents remaining.

**4. AUDITED FINANCIAL REPORT – Clayton McCrea; DMD Chartered Accounting Firm**

- a. Clayton McCrea gave a verbal report of the financial position of GBID and then took questions from the community members.

**MOTION** to approve 2024 Audited Financials.

**MOVED** by Roger Kimmerly and **SECONDED** by Larry Dawe

**CARRIED**

b. **APPOINTMENT of Auditor for 2025**

**MOTION** to appoint DMD Accounting Firm as 2025 auditor.

**MOVED** by Chuck Childress and **SECONDED** by Larry Dawe

**CARRIED**

**5. RECOGNITION OF PAST GBID TRUSTEES AND STAFF**

Roger thanked Chuck Childress for his years of service as Trustee and Chair, thanked Theresa Beech for her years of service as Corporate Officer; introduced Juanita Walton as new Corporate Officer, introduced Doug Nikirk as new Operations Manager; thanked Rob McWilliam for his years of service as Fire Chief, and introduced Mike Corcoran (Corc) as new Fire Chief.

**5. REPORTS**

**a. TRUSTEE'S REPORT**

A copy of the Trustee report was made available.

In addition, Roger Kimmerly summarized the reasons the water extension to Shelter Point was discontinued, gave updates on the Sand Filtration Project, introduced the Valve and Saddle Replacement Project, and outlined the commitment of the Board of Trustees to adhere to the 5 statements (Section 8) of our Letter of Patents.

Questions from residents included: the difficulty of improvement districts accessing grants for improving infrastructure; emergency alternative water supplies; the possibility of requesting funds from the quarries for infrastructure; improving transparency around plans for annual tax increases; a better system for emergency alerts for residents not online; and emergency preparedness in case of a dam break.

**MOTION** to accept the Trustee's Report.

**MOVED** by Roger Kimmerly and **SECONDED** by John Bikadi.

**CARRIED**

**b. FIRE CHIEF'S REPORT**

A copy of the Fire Chief's Report was made available.

In addition, Mike thanked Rob McWilliam for his years of service as Fire Chief, outlined his goals for the Fire Department regarding training, updating equipment, and upgrading procedures. Mike also emphasized the increased expectations from the province, the increase in time commitments for the Fire Chief, Deputy Fire Chief and the fire fighters, for training, paperwork, and compliance to standards.

**MOTION** that given the increased workload for volunteer fire departments, and the challenge of recruiting and retaining volunteers, the Fire Chief should be tasked with developing a costed proposal for an on-call system, and presenting it to the Board of Directors, as part of the Department's budget proposal for 2026.

**MOVED** by Rob McWilliam and **SECONDED** by John Bikadi.

**CARRIED**

Questions from residents included concerns around increasing taxes to pay for on-call and attracting suitable recruits.

**MOTION** to accept the Fire Chief's Report.

**MOVED** by Rob McWilliam and **SECONDED** by Larry Dawe.

**CARRIED**

**6. COMMENTS AND QUESTIONS FROM RESIDENTS**

None, at this time.

**7. HONORARIUMS**

**a. TRUSTEE HONORARIUM**

**MOTION** to increase the Trustee Honorarium from 500.00 per year to 1000.00 per year.

**MOVED** by Larry Dawe and **SECONDED** by Doug Nikirk **DEFEATED**

Questions from residents included concerns about the demands of the position, if the Trustees feel under-compensated, whether the increase would come out of Parcel Tax or Water Toll, and if it's important to have perks to attract new trustees. The Trustees expressed that they were motivated by community service and not by the honorarium.

**MOTION** to maintain the Trustee Honorarium at 500.00 for 2025.

**MOVED** by Rob McWilliam and **SECONDED** by Chuck Childress. **CARRIED**

**b. FIRE CHIEF HONORARIUM**

**MOTION** to have Fire Chief's honorarium dealt with as part of the on-call review for 2026.

**MOVED** by Chuck Childress and **SECONDED** by Peter Skipper. **CARRIED**

**8. ELECTION OF TRUSTEES – Returning Officer, Rob McWilliam**

Two Trustee positions had expired. Keith Franklin and Carolanne White stood for re-election. No new nominees came forward, so therefore, Keith Franklin and Carolanne White won by acclimation.

**9. COMMENTS AND QUESTIONS FROM RESIDENTS**

None, at this time.

**10. ADJOURNMENT**

**MOTION** to adjourn at 4:09 pm.

**MOVED** by Chuck Childress and **SECONDED** by Doug Nikirk. **CARRIED**