

# Northwest Nanoose Residents Association

## BOARD OF DIRECTORS

### MEETING MINUTES

April 20, 2017, 7:00PM

1951 Seahaven Road, Nanoose Bay

**Call to Order:** 7:30 pm by Kirke MacMillan

#### **Attendees:**

Kirke MacMillan

Michael Kosich

Lewis Vermeulen

Sherilene Chycoski      Regrets

Mark Thomson              Regrets

#### **Review of January 18 BOD Minutes**

The minutes are posted on the website. No comments on minutes.

#### **Treasurers Report**

Lewis advised that the account with the Coastal Community Credit Union is as follows:

Chequing Account as of March 31, 2017:                      \$3,626.00

New Deposits

2017/2018 Memberships    \$215.00

#### **New Business**

## Beach Access Update

This is a follow up to the letter written by Michael Kosich to Bob Rogers, Mike Pearson, and Jessica Learn, dated September 12, 2016. Copies were also cc'd to MOTI and various other agencies outlining the problems with overuse of the Wallbeach access. Commercial or group use of any residential beach access is clearly not in line with the 2001 Plan for beach accesses, nor with RDN bylaws re allowable business activities in residential areas.

A followup letter, dated October 17, 2016 was sent by Dr. Mary Jane Bowie to Michelle Stillwell, MLA for Parksville/Qualicum highlighting the contravention of the Parks and Open Space Plans for Nanoose Bay (2001) through misuse.

We have now learned through the minutes of the Electoral Services Committee of March 14, 2017 that **the plan is recinded and that the Community Parks Plan for Electoral Areas E, F, G, & H (2014) be the guiding document for community parks in Electoral Area "E"**. The 2014 Plan, however, does not address residential beach accesses, which were so thoroughly covered in the 2001 Plan.

There is no indication of the reason nor of support from the community for the change.

March 21, 2017, a letter was received, addressed to Dr. Mary Jane Bowie, from Craig Sutherland, Assistant Deputy Minister Coast Area. He responded to Dr. Bowie's forwarded letter to Michelle Stillwell.

A final statement in the letter states "***The RDN Bylaws and 2001 RDN Guidelines are within the purview of local government to follow and enforce.***"

In the letter he also advised that the Crown Land Tourism Policy must be followed by tourism operators. Thus far no application has been received from Adventuress Sea Kayaking. He also indicated that policing be discussed with the Oceanside Policing Office in Parksville.

Kirke and Michael will continue to pursue this matter.

### Deliance Way/ Driftwood Beach Membership

Michael will follow up with Doug Speller regarding membership with the RDN. Thus far we have received only names but not information on the potential members nor membership dues.

### Membership Drive

Various options were discussed, but the process is continuing to be reviewed.

### Next Emergency Preparedness Session:

There are no plans at this time for a follow up, as advised by Ross Peterson.

### Next meeting:

Tentatively July 12, 2017

