

Hornby Island Community Economic Enhancement Corporation

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING 2008

Wednesday 18 June 2008

New Horizons Hall, Hornby Island

Members present:

Amber Boydell, Coral Candlish-Rutherford, Lynne Carmichael, Doug Christie, Paul Clemens, John Heinegg, Jan Kennedy, Tony Law, Richard Laskin, Janet LeBlancq, Lynn Nunley, Rudy Rogalsky, Sharon Rogalsky, Daniel Siegel, Ron Sitter

1. Call to order and agenda

In the absence of Gerald Hodge, Chairperson of the Association, Paul Clemens chaired the meeting. Paul Clemens called the annual general meeting to order at 7:30 and confirmed that a quorum of members was present. The chair introduced the directors and staff and conveyed the apologies of Gerald Hodge, who was recovering from surgery, and Joanne Ovitsland, who was recovering from an injury. There were no additions to the agenda which was approved by general consent

2. Minutes of the 2007 AGM

The chair reviewed the minutes of the 2007 AGM which had been made available to the members present. The minutes were adopted by general consent.

3. Report of the Directors for 2007

Vice-chair Daniel Siegel presented the Report of the Directors highlighting the consultant's report commissioned by the Regional District which included a favourable perspective on HICEEC and contributed to a decision by the RD to enter into a contract with HICEEC to provide economic development services on Hornby Island. This contract will be negotiated in the coming weeks.

4. Report of the Executive Director for 2007

Executive Director, Tony Law, provided a report on the main activities carried out during 2007 with respect to housing, tourism, marketing and strategic planning. A highlight was a successful regional conference on Housing Solutions for Small Communities.

5. Financial Report for 2007

Treasurer Paul Clemens presented the Financial Report for the calendar year 2007 noting that a financial contribution of \$12,000 from the Regional District had levered an additional \$29,000 in revenue. Total revenue was \$41,460.74 and total expenses were \$41,287.62 giving a net income of \$173.12. Total assets at year-end were \$5,082.89. The report was accepted by general consent. Paul Clemens noted that HICEEC will be utilizing an external accountant to review bookkeeping practices and financial records.

6. Annual Membership Dues

Following discussion, it was moved (Laskin), seconded (LeBlancq) and carried that membership dues for 2008 be zero. It was agreed that, in order to retain membership each year, members be required to sign a membership form. It was suggested that the directors consider reviewing the membership section of the bylaws.

7. Election of directors

The following members were nominated to serve as directors: Gerald Hodge, Matthew Fredbeck, Richard Laskin, Lynne Carmichael, Alix Allen, Amber Boydell and John Heinegg. It was moved (LeBlancq), seconded (R. Rogalsky) and carried that the nominees be acclaimed. Paul Clemens and Daniel Siegel have been appointed by the Hornby Island Residents' and Ratepayers' Association to serve as directors.

8. Quorum of directors

It was decided to not consider amending the quorum for a meeting of directors because the present number and composition of directors should make a quorum of five easier to attain.

9. Report on current activities

Tony Law reviewed the 2008 work program which includes three projects related to housing, the continuing development of the realhornby web site and electronic mailing list, outreach to visitors and summer residents, potential partnerships to promote spring visiting, a forum on the Future of Farming and a forum on Transportation Alternatives planned for the fall. He announced the launching of a Rideshare website established in partnership with Renewable Energy Denman Island.

10. Discussion

Daniel Siegel lead a discussion on potential future activities for HICEEC after drawing attention to the Community Vision and noting that the Regional District will be looking for deliverables in the contract to be negotiated. Suggestions provided by members included: making transportation a priority, focus on specific projects rather than spreading too thin, consider the establishment of a business resource centre, partner with the Arts Council to promote spring activities, put the Community Vision on the web site, include updates in the First Edition about how the vision is being implemented, explore opportunities to work with the group planning to form a Chamber of Commerce, raise the profile of HICEEC with the community through accomplishments, become more familiar with community partnering and hold a board retreat.

11. Adjournment

Special mention was made of Gerald Hodge and his leadership in guiding HICEEC through a successful transition over the past few years. The meeting was adjourned at 9:25pm.

Minutes recorded by Tony Law