

AMIB Executive Meeting Minutes

January 22nd, 2019- 10 am at Don DeRousie's Home, 298 Laura Point Road

Present: Bill Lane, Don DeRousie, Allen Slade, Bob McKinnon, Judy Kiyooka, Louis Vallee, Renate Morell, Cliff Kiyooka, Murray Malott, and Peter Hansche

Absent: Richard Jarco, Mike Halliday and Stephen Cropper

Approval of Agenda: Moved by Bob and seconded by Cliff that the agenda be approved as amended, adding Off Centre Harbours subscription to New Business and Horton Bay Dock dismantling to the Report on Docks. **Carried.**

Approval of Minutes: Moved by Bill and seconded by Murray that the minutes of the special AMIB Executive meeting held on December 17th be approved as distributed. **Carried**

Correspondence: – Petition to stop Herring Fishing off Denman Island

Louis reported on correspondence from AMIB member Sharon Bunnin asking whether AMIB would formally support a petition stopping the herring fishery off Denman Island. Discussion followed. Don directed the attention of the executive to a discussion available on Youtube called called "The Truth about Orcas, Seals and Chinook."

Motion: Moved by Allen and seconded by Peter that a committee be established to research this question and report back to the next AMIB executive meeting. The committee members will be Murray Malott and Bill Lane. Louis will forward the email from Sharon Bunnin about this issue to the Herring Petition committee and Judy will provide the committee with a copy of the AMIB constitution to help them determine what our response should be. **Carried.**

Correspondence: Email from Deborah Goldman re: Derelict Boats sent to Allen. This issue to be referred to the Dock Committee for consideration.

Business Arising

Dock Committee Report – Allen reported that the Anson Road dock project is to proceed as confirmed by Ian Dow, Mayne Island's representative on the Southern Gulf Islands Harbour Commission. Allen also reported that Brian Dearden, AMIB member, has agreed to be on the Dock committee but he is presently off island.

Louis noted that whereas the Horton Bay Dock access issue continues to remain unsolved, the CRD has indicated that the Anson Road Dock is to go ahead. The CRD has said that when the Anson Road project is completed the Horton Bay dock will be dismantled. However, the water lease for the Horton Bay Road dock is still legal.

Motion: Moved by Murray and seconded by Cliff that the Dock Committee suggest to the CRD that the Horton Bay Dock not be dismantled but that the ramp to access the dock by land be removed. Then the dock could be maintained as a floating asset of the Anson Road Project to accommodate off site dock space. **Carried**

Reports:

Chairperson: Louis welcomed the executive members in attendance.

Treasurer: Cliff distributed the treasurer's report that is attached to these minutes. Cliff and the in coming treasurer Bob reported on their meeting at the Sidney TD branch to facilitate the transfer of treasurer's responsibilities from Cliff to Bob. Signatures for the AMIB TD account are: Bob McKinnon, Cliff Kiyooka and Allen Slade. Two signatures are required for AMIB cheques.

AMIB Activities for 2019- Setting up Committees – Under Louis' chairmanship the following committees were established.

Education- Louis and Allen – contacting members who have said they will lead courses, securing a venue for the courses, determining dates and times for courses. Emails will be sent out to inform the membership about courses to be offered. Notices about courses will also be posted on the Website and Facebook page by Cliff.

Kayaking- Renate will be the co-ordinator for Kayak activities with help she will recruit from AMIB members and also community members.

Events- on Mayne Island- The executive discussed what events have been held in the past, including the annual Spring Picnic at Dinner Bay and the Christmas Party, and what should be planned for the coming year. No co-ordinator at this time. Will discuss this position at the next executive meeting after polling executive members not present at this meeting.

Meet-ups on the Water- AMIB member Blair Smith is planning a trip to the Broughtons beginning in June. All participants to meet at Newcastle Island on June 2nd. A planning meeting for this event was held at the library on January 16th. Another meeting of interested cruisers will be held sometime in March.

AMIB member Norm Price has said he will help organize a Sailing Race in the spring as he did last year.

AMIB member Aaron Reith has mentioned that he might be willing to lead a local cruise during boating season.

A suggestion was made that members who are planning cruises in local waters for a day or longer could use the Facebook Page or the Club Website to ask members if they are interested in joining the cruise.

Field Trips off Island- Renate volunteered to co-ordinate marine based field trips.

Allen is in the process of organizing a field trip to visit the bridge on a BC Ferry and also co-ordinate a talk by a BC Ferry Captain on Mayne Island.

Communications- MayneLiner article, liaison with other groups, eg. Conservancy

-Allen and Cliff will share these communication jobs.

Movie Nights- Louis, (tech help), Cliff and Allen and perhaps other executive members when available.

Local History- Louis Vallee and Don DeRousie- Discussion about various local history presentations perhaps in connection with on the water events or at Movie Night.

Membership Report: Cliff reported that 24 single memberships and 50 family memberships from 2018 have not been renewed for 2019. Cliff will send an email reminder to those who have not renewed since 2017. Follow up phone calls will be made if renewals are not forthcoming. Murray has volunteered to make phone calls to members who need to renew

New Business:

1. Discussion about use of the **Website and Facebook page-** Cliff outlined the features of the website. There is a Buy and Sell feature and archives of photos of AMIB events from the past 6 years. People can sign up to join AMIB online or renew their memberships leaving membership cheques at the Gulfport Free mail. Upcoming AMIB events are publicized on the website. There is also information about the **Southern Gulf Island Harbour Commission** posted on the website. The **Club Facebook Page** was started 2 years ago. There are now 70 members. The Facebook page also publicizes upcoming AMIB events, has photos of outings and, as it is an interactive site, members can add their own photos or comment on postings.

2. Discussion- Should the minutes of the AMIB executive meetings be sent out to the membership? **Motion:** Moved by Bob and seconded by Allen that the minutes of AMIB Executive meetings be posted on the website after the minutes have been approved by the executive. **Carried**

3. **Subscription for Off Centre Harbour.** Louis asked if he should proceed with a yearly automatic renewal for this website. The site offers the use of many videos that can be used by the club for Movie Nights or educational purposes.

Motion: Moved by Allen and seconded by Murray that AMIB join the Off Centre Harbour website and opt for automatic yearly renewal. The password for the site will be shared with AMIB executive members.

Adjournment: Bob moved that the meeting be adjourned at 11:30 am.

Next AMIB Executive Meeting- Thurs. Feb. 21th at the Library at 10 am.

