



Annual General Meeting **Minutes**

Sunday - September 29, 2019 -- 2:00 PM

1. Welcome

President Michael Galizio called the meeting to order at 2:05 pm and welcomed those in attendance. Executive members present were, Ian Fawcett, Bill Parkes, Bill Turner, Bonnie Arden, Terri Alcock, Virginia Lee, Domonique, Elanie Bruton, Linda Bruton and Michael Galizio. There were 12 Society Members in attendance.

2. Adoption of Agenda

Motion to adopt the agenda as presented.

Ian Fawcett/Bill Parkes

CARRIED

3. Adoption of Minutes

Motion to adopt the Minutes of the June 23rd, 2017 Meeting as amended.

Bill Parkes/John Walls

CARRIED

Phil and Sheena at Shirley Delicious, collecting cans and bottles for Society. Over \$700 this year in recycle money from Shirley Delicious. Get checks every couple of months Thank you for the support.

Senator Bovey took over the Federal Heritage Lighthouse file just had a second visit, Elanie and Ian hosted them for visit

John and Elanie hosted MP Randall Garrison during a visit. Pictures posted Bill Parkes' work - Thanks for program through Telus. So very much appreciated Thanks to Elanie for being the "face" of society and participating in a number of interviews and meeting with reporters.

4. Correspondence

- Letter from Sheringham England, came to view the lighthouse, found a memorial in Duncan BC for E.D. Sheringham. A war memorial in the town of Duncan

- Great Article – Rural Observer (Thank you to Editor Mary Brooke)

- Email from Tamara - confirming the Society has 345 Members. Sent reminder post card sent out for membership renewal. So far returns excellent in terms of membership renewal. 90 lifetime members and more being added.

- Note from Montana Stanley at the Sooke Regional Museum – women of the Sooke region exhibit. Number of Society members mentioned. Goes to 11th of October

5. Treasurer's Report

Michael presented Income Statement and Balance Sheet.

Motion to adopt Income statement & Balance Sheet for 2018/19.

Bobby Metzger/Terri Alcock

CARRIED

Adopted budget for 2019/2020. Board did some budget projections. Looks like the total costs of operation are approx. \$52,937. Taking out some restoration costs (gate, fence and trail build) because they are covered by gaming grant. If removed, Society needs about \$30,000 to operate from October 1st to October 1st 2020 in terms of expenses. Separate program activities \$27,307 to be accurate. Income approx. \$27,700. The Society is just squeaking by. If add programing in (publications, mail outs, social media costs) those additional expenditures take us beyond the revenue. Need to be thinking about how to make it beyond 2020. Need to think about long term sustainability. Finish with existing gaming grant so we can apply again. Can apply for operational grant, Gaming grant, Mountain Equipment Co-Op grant.

Motion to adopt budget 2019/20

Bill Turner/John Walls

CARRIED

Presentation of Awards –

Michael presented "Society Preservation" Award to Terri Alcock, John Walls presented the "Society Heritage Preservation" Award to Elanie Bruton. Thank you to both former Board Members for the longstanding support and work on behalf of the Society

Additional Agenda Items:

- Perimeter fence along the eastern side appears to have been put in the wrong place by sub-division developer. Meeting to come up with ways of addressing.
- Recently got a note from Strata, unhappy with the way the chip sealing was done, too many potholes and other problems.
- Moving forward with great orca monitoring program, speaker system to be set up at the engine room.

6. Old Business

President's Report:

A copy of this report is attached, and the following comments are the highlights:

LH Heritage Site - update/restoration – Big portion finished, now in phase 3, extensive report at June meeting. Still have trails to finish, rail-

ings, few other items then Phase Three will be completed.. IN addition to the next phase. There is a need to devise a plan for future painting, site and building maintenance. Need to replace a rusted stanchions. These are heritage elements, don't want to replace unless we absolutely need to. Go through with various experts to determine best way forward.

John Walls – repatriation of the Fresnel lens would be the appropriate finish of the restoration. Need to get something up into the lantern room. Call from HAM radio expert and LH supporter, said he'd like to activate the LH site, is doing work at the Coast Guard. Old equipment that they still use, still functional, Coast Guard and DFO work like to trade for other items that DFO has in surplus. Good contacts and momentum going in Coast Guard.

John Walls – Success at Shirley Day. Sent package of products to Peter and Brigette Westaway. He had a talk with Peter, wanted to John to mention that they are delighted with what Society did with the funds they provided. Possibility of pursuing further funding through the Westaway Foundation. Looking toward a celebration for next year, include Westaways and John Horgan. Possibly June 2020.

Social Media – Several YouTube videos, Ian is working on another with Jack Finlay, promotional video from kids point of view. Google grants up to \$10,000 per month, only spending about 5-600 per month. based on "clicks". Unless we spend more on social media it's a struggle to get the most out of Google grant. Our visitors tend to be older and not necessarily engaging in social media. Ian, somehow what we have to do is figure out how then are we capturing that work and getting something tangible out of it.

Oral History Project - Linda Bruton has offered to help with oral history project. Linda and Michael will talk to figure out how to proceed

Website Update – will be more to talk about as we proceed

New LH History Book – Sold out of old ones, new one ready Oct Nov in time for Christmas, same price? Terri and Elanie to review one last time before it goes to print

Orca Monitoring – Talked about Wifi already. Finalize speaker with ORCA sounds

Archives and Collections – Ian has developed policy. Historical documents must figure out how to save and protect

School Program Report – Ian, Spring project, John Muir school, new Principle, challenge is principle form John Muir is now at Sooke, former sooke elementary principle now at another school — program will be in every elementary school in Sooke will be involved

Been asked to speak at local service clubs for promotion of the school program.

Minister Bovey pointed to a potential source of funding. Asked for letter of support

Other LH Properties – Flea Beach – MOT right of way

A day that it will be closed in the next few weeks. Will post on website.

Public access road in bad shape but if it's fixed up, more people will use it.

7. Election of Officers and Directors

Further to the provisions of the Society Act and the Society By-Laws, the Society announced the AGM and elections at the start of the year on the website as well as via the newsletter. At the AGM, Society Volunteer member Terri Alcock presided over the elections, and the following people were elected to the Society Board for 2019:

President – Michael Galizio

Vice President – John Walls

Secretary – Bonnie Arden

Treasurer – Virginia Lee

Directors – Bill Parkes, Bill Turner, Patricia Teichrob, Gary Geddes (also chair of board of advisors and will continue)

8. New Business

A. Adopt membership fee structure

Sustaining Membership structure in addition to the current structure, new program, tiers \$10, \$25 and \$50 per month. Consider family membership. Wanting to achieve monthly donations. Sustaining membership a good sell whether talking about donation or not. Tie it to a tax benefit (tax receipt). Check into auto renewal.

Motion to have Membership Structure as: \$15 annual, \$100 lifetime \$10 youth, \$40 family. In addition, a sustaining donating structure of \$10, \$25 or \$50 per month which includes a membership.

John Walls/Bill Turner

Carried

B. Fall Broom Clean-up/Flea Beach clean-up

Dom shooting for sometime in October. Will let Michael know and will work on getting volunteers.

9. Adjournment
Motion to Adjourn
Bill Turner/Ian Fawcett

CARRIED