

Galiano Club 94th Annual General Meeting May 26th, 2019 - 2:00 p.m. at the Galiano Community Hall

Minutes of the AGM

- 1. Territorial Acknowledgement Given by Jane Wolverton
- 2. Draft Agenda moved by Allan Forget, seconded by Jane Wolverton Carried.

3. President's Report –Judy Hayes/Jane Wolverton

Judy Hayes:

Welcome to everyone (44 attending). Current Board Members and Galiano Club staff were introduced. Retiring Board members Diana Fraser, Lauren Magner and Lee Musselle were acknowledged. Jane Wolverton was acknowledged for her contributions during her years as President.

The Annual Report captures the activities of the Club in 2018. The contributions of volunteers and funders were acknowledged. The funding needs were outlined and the CRD 2018 grants, were highlighted.

Allan Forget:

The first Galiano Club AGM was held in 1925 and one of the first objectives was to build a hall for the island. The first AGM was held in the hall 1927. On May 29th 1929 the Lieutenant Governor officially opened the hall with a dance. The Hall is 90 years old in two days.

David Howe – Director of CRD:

Outlined his goals, offered his support for future projects and acknowledged the contributions of a number of people, including Paul Leblanc, Mike Hoebel, Ben Mabberly and Emma Davis.

Jane Wolverton:

It has been an honor to serve the Galiano Club for the past 15 years, for the past 7 been president. A goal is to transfer the Galiano Club archives (documents) stored at home. Thanks to all board members for everyone's individual contributions. Your club is in good hands!

4. Minutes of the 2018 AGM – Draft Minutes from 2017 Annual General Meeting – moved by Jane Wolverton – seconded Allan Forget - Carried

5. Club Reports

Financial Report—Carol Wilson

The financial picture is contained in the Annual Report and unaudited Year End Financial Statements is available at the front desk. The report is showing a significant surplus due to grants received but not yet expended.

Community Hall - Judy Hayes, Alison Colwell

Bookings - Alison Colwell - The Hall was booked 369 times in 2018. The largest number of bookings is for the Community Food Program and yoga classes, but also includes meetings and Annual General Meetings, sales, festivals and private events, rehearsals, concerts, art shows and cinema, weddings and dances and workshops.

I've heard the South Hall described as the Living room of the community. It's a startling – but also perfectly apt image. This is where the community gathers to celebrate, to eat, and to recover from disasters.

Maintaining the Hall – Judy Hayes

Rent has been kept low in order to support community accessibility. The approximately \$21,000 income from rent only covers between ½ to 1/3 of the cost of running the Hall and insurance for the Hall and Lands. Over the next year, the Board will be reviewing our long term financial position, including rental and membership rates and the focus of grant applications.

A 2018 Community Works Grant from the Capital Regional District has allowed the Club to completely revamp the electrical system, bring it up to code, reduce the number of panels, link the generators to panels supporting the essential electrical needs, move to LED lighting throughout the Hall and install on-demand hot water. A second CRD Community Works Grant allowed the purchase of two industrial freezers, a new sanitizer and a new refrigerator. Also included in this grant was funding for kitchen updates, windows, a washer/dryer and an engineering assessment of the foundation. Finally, a Grant in Aid from the CRD allowed the Club to upgrade the sound and projection system.

Food Program - Alison Colwell, Emma Davis, Barry New, Patty Pringle

Alison presented an overview of the Soup and Meals and the community events in 2018, including the Solstice Dinner held without power! She also presented Gleaning and Workshops, on behalf of Emma and the School program on behalf of Patty. Barry provided an update on the Community Greenhouse.

Lands – Garth Walmsley, Allison Whitlock, Allan Forget Garth Walmsley:

A lot has happened in the last year! In the Community Forest, last May's broom cutting cleared the mistletoe trail and access to the viewpoint. The broom was burned in the winter; the kiosk was installed and the signs are almost all in place. In the original management plan, there was a portion of the Community Forest designated for affordable housing. That plan is moving forward in conjunction with the affordable housing society, Gulf Islands Galisle Affordable Rental Housing Society. A well was drilled and an agreement to purchase has been signed. The housing society has been working with BC Housing on funding.

Work on the Bluffs Park Management plan included over 20 meetings, and over 300 hours of volunteer time. Thanks were extended to the Committee members for all their work and to Andrew Simon for the inventory of the flora and fauna in Bluffs Park. During the 2018 windstorm, a number of trees came down at the lookout, and some wood was taken. All wood that comes down is supposed to remain in the park due to its designation as a nature preserve. The remaining trees were used to reinforce the barricade to protect the fragile area around the old shed.

Mount Galiano had little work this past year.

Players and Cinema - Sonia Baker, Patrick Ramsey

Sonia Baker:

It's not all about Pantomime! This year we held 2 one-act plays and toured to Gabriola. We are hoping for a one-act play festival on Galiano in 2020. September 2019 will host the variety show. The Galiano Club received a grant from Parks to upgrade the scenery and costumes this year. We hope to get more kids involved in this year's panto. There are as many as 50 people involved in a big panto production. If you want to get involved, we always need backstage support if you don't want to go on stage.

Patrick Ramsey:

I had a fun time putting the sound system together. It now all operates on a single remote. The goal is to build a real community movie theatre, available to the community. Lotus Eaters will air next weekend. The writer is coming as well as Sharon McGowen, the producer.

Motion to Adopt the Club Reports – Moved by Jane Wolverton, Seconded by Patrick Ramsey – Carried.

6. Special Resolution - Jane

"Resolved that the Bluffs Management Plan dated May 1st be ratified by the Galiano Club Membership at the 2019 Annual General Meeting on May 26th, 2019. The Bluffs Management Plan (dated May 1st, 2019) is posted on the Galiano Club website: www.galianoclub.org."

Motion to Ratify - Moved by Jane Wolverton, Seconded by Judy Hayes

There was a discussion of the draft plan. The major area of disagreement was of signage in the parks. There were a number of people that do not want map signs in the park, only directional arrows. The number of map signs under discussion was 8. The Board's biggest concern was safety to ensure park users did not get lost and to allow first responders to find people in an emergency. The fire dept is in favour of map signs.

Debbie Holmes requested that the vote be postponed to an extraordinary general meeting. The process which had been followed was outlined.

Since some individuals had voted before the discussion, the ballots were reissued.

Count by Nancy McPhee and Diana Burgoyne 44 votes - No 16 – Yes – 27 – 1 abstention. Motion not ratified.

7. Volunteer Recognition

Phillip Grehan – work on the Lands Gerry Longson – architectural drawings and project management

8. Election of Directors – Conducted by Mike Hoebel 11 Board Members Allowed

Board Members Carrying on to 2nd Year

Jane Wolverton (Past president)
Judy Hayes (President)
Patrick Ramsey (Cinema Galiano & Players)
Garth Walmsley (Lands)
Allison Whitlock (Lands)

Board Members Nominated

Dorothy Beauchamp Sonia Baker (Galiano & Players) Diana Burgoyne (Vice president) Allan Forget (Lands) Carol Wilson (Treasurer) Mary Greenwood

Mike Hoebel Moved that slate be accepted by Acclamation, Seconded by Patrick Ramsay - Carried.

- 9. New Business From the Floor None
- 10. The new surround sound and film set up were demonstrated.
- 11. Motion to Adjourn Carried
- 12. Ice Cream Sundaes were served to the crowd.