

Date: April 23 2007
Location: St Philomena's Church Hall
Subject: Minutes of the Directors Meeting,.

Attendance;

Chair Austin Page;
Directors Faye Muller, Brian Humphrys, Roger Scott-Taggart;
Committee Chair, Jim Mills
Members: Lisa Webb, Gerry Ross
Councilor Pat Norris

1. Austin Page called the meeting to order at 7pm and passed on apologies for absence from Michael Hickey.
2. The agenda as circulated was adopted.
3. The minutes of the Directors Meeting 11th January have been lost in a computer crash.
4. Ferry Matters; The Ferry Meeting on March 27th was well attended and brought the work of the Ferry Committee to an end. The priority now is to secure funding for the winter operation of the Foot ferry. Chair Page will redraft his letter to the Minister of Transport to this end. Pat Norris said an Environmental Assesment of municipal transport will cover both Wolfe and Howe Islands and all aspects of ferries and fixed links. Public input will be solicited.
5. Recycling ; Lisa Webb volunteered to revive the HIRA committee but was urged to start with the Township initiative to avoid duplication.
6. Website; Gerry Ross demonstrated the site he and Robert Hall had developed. The executive is urged to visit. Stringers (reporters) are required to report on Island activities to post on the site. Cost is \$ 99 US a year. Gerry and Robert want to supervise and train HIRA members, and remind the executive that without updates the site loses interest for visitors.
7. Spring Clean Up; April 28th is the day.....Gerry will post this on the website.
8. Neighborhood Watch; Shelagh MacDonald will be asked to post news on the website.
9. Budgets; Chair Page will raise the subject of accountability with the County CAO. The Municipal budget discussions have not yet started.
10. HIRA will wait for the report from the Ministry of Agriculture on the results from its two meetings on the long term Strategy for Howe Island and respond if appropriate
11. The HIRA AGM was firmed up for Friday May 25th at 7pm
12. The meeting was terminated at 8.55pm

R. Scott-Taggart 26/4/07