

Galiano Island Local Trust Committee (GILTC)

Trustee Report

Trustees: Sandy Pottle and George Harris

The GILTC met on March 6 2017 at the South Galiano Community Hall. Chair Bushekein was delayed due to bad weather and the meeting was chaired by Trustee Harris in the interim.

The meetings of the GILTC begin with a town hall where members of the public are invited to speak on issues that are on the agenda. Much of the commentary related to process and tone of the LTC meetings. More detail can be found as to content of the remarks made when the minutes of the meeting are approved (ie at the meeting scheduled for March 21 2017). The minutes will then be posted to the website.

Special Advisory Planning Commission on Telecommunications Strategy

The LTC received the final report of the SPAC. It represents a phenomenal amount of effort by the commission to provide the LTC with a thorough and comprehensive report. A letter will be sent to the commissioners thanking them for their service to the community. The members of the Commission were Stephen Rybak (Chair) Stephen Aikens, Mike Hoebel, Elizabeth Latta, Peter Midgley, Kiyoko Okuda and Joan Robertson.

Commercial Vacation Rental Temporary Use Permits

The LTC approved 4 Temporary Use Permits for Commercial Vacation Rentals and there was much discussion around the possibility of streamlining the process and making the regulations uniform in order to increase efficiency and to ensure that all applicants follow the same regulatory regime. The possibility of developing a Development Approval Information Bylaw was also suggested.

Crystal Mountain Society Rezoning Application

Crystal Mountain Society is continuing to consult with neighbours regarding their rezoning application and will work with Islands Trust Planning staff on providing a final proposal.

Galiano Conservancy Association Rezoning Application

The GCA has submitted an application to rezone the Rural Residential (R2) part of their property at 10825 Porlier Pass Road to permit nature protection, environmental education activities and associated infrastructure such as accessory overnight camping and infrastructure for classrooms, kitchen/ dining facilities, sleeping quarters, tent platforms, accessory dwelling and accessory office /library / administration buildings, parking. Please see the staff report on the Islands Trust website for further details.

The site presently has preliminary lay out approval for 13 residences and 13 cottages which will not be developed should the application proceed.

The LTC made a motion requesting staff to consider Comprehensive Development Zoning in relation to the GCA application.

The Next LTC meeting will take place on March 21 2017 at 11:00 AM which will make up for the meeting scheduled for February 6 2017 that was cancelled due to weather. The April meeting is scheduled for the regular time of 12:30 on April 3 2017 at the South community Hall

Office Hours:

Trustee Pottle : Tuesdays 4:00 to 6:00 P.M.

Trustee Harris : Wednesdays 4:00 to 6:00 P.M.

Planner Rob Milne : Call 250 405 5177 for appointment