<u>GRANTHAM'S WHARF ASSOCIATION (GWA)</u> <u>ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING (AGM)</u> <u>17 SEP 2017 - ERIC CARDINALL HALL</u>

- Tony chaired the meeting and presented several topics
- Nicky also presented
- Gail took notes
- Also see PDF version of AGM presentation

AGENDA

- 1. Wharf Updates
 - Good News
 - Financial Report
 - Membership Report
 - GWA Society
- 2. Wharf Issues & Ideas
 - GWA Mailings & Website
 - Float Connections
 - Non-Community use of Wharf
 - Dolphin discussion
 - Marine Drive traffic
 - Wharf signage & rules
- 3. Upcoming Events
 - Float Winterization
 - Potluck/Bingo in Nov
 - Spring Activity
 - Grantham's Day recommendation
- 4. Other Items from Floor

MINUTES

- 1. Wharf Updates
 - Presented by Tony and discussed by members.
 - a. **The Floats**: we need to look for a quiet alternative and **John Payne** volunteered to investigate.
 - b. **The Dolphin**: Tony reported the need for repairs and that replacing it would be too costly. We will need volunteers to help rebuild the jumping/diving platforms.
 - c. Non-member use of the wharf: members expressed concern over the increased use of our wharf. A suggestion was made that we contact the Sunshine Coast Tourism folks to remind them that our wharf is a private wharf. A member suggested a new sign: MEMBERS ONLY PLEASE JOIN.

d. **Marine Drive traffic hazard**: We will be ordering and installing four larger signs to remind drivers to slow down. Additional signs will put up at the top of the hill near Harvey, and on Marine coming from the ferry.

2. Financial Report

- Presented by Nicky and discussed by members.
- a. Nicky explained that the money from the Grantham's Hall fundraiser is held in trust for future needs of the hall.
- b. We have been able to raise money for wharf expenses with the sale of the tote bags, the watercraft tags, dinghy moorage, and savings from our annual insurance costs.
- c. **MOTION:** Acceptance of the report was moved by Nicky and seconded by Dona. The motion carried.

3. <u>GWA Bylaws and Constitution Updates</u>

• Presented by Nicky and discussed and voted on by members.

The Board presented changes to the wording of our current document as part of the required New Societies Act Transition process.

<u>**GWA Constitution**</u> - current wording of #2: "The purpose of the Society is to maintain a wharf at Grantham's Landing for use by the community."

MOTION 1: to amend the wording of #2 of our constitution to read: *"The purpose of the Society is to maintain a wharf at Grantham's Landing for use by the community and to support other Grantham's community-building initiatives."* (for example, this covers the Grantham's Hall reconstruction committee initiatives and allows us to offer tax receipts for those donated fundraising efforts.)

→ Moved by Nicky, seconded by Rick. Carried.

GWA Bylaws - Membership

- 1. Each member agrees to uphold the Constitution of the Society and comply with the Bylaws of the Society.
- 2. Membership is by annual donation to the Society and that donation qualifies for a charitable tax receipt. Membership is subject to approval by the Board of Directors.
- Only current paid-up members are considered "voting members" and may vote at the AGM or at any special general meetings called – one vote per household donation.
- 4. The quorum for the AGM or special general meeting is 10% of the current voting members. Simple majority (51%) of the votes at that meeting is required to decide if a motion passes, unless it is an extraordinary resolution which requires 2/3 (67%) of the votes.

GWA Bylaws - Board of Directors

- 1. The Board of Directors will manage the affairs of the Society.
- The voting members will vote in person for three (3) to six (6) directors annually. Directors will be elected or appointed to the following Board positions: (a) president, (b) vice-president, (c) secretary, and (d) treasurer. In addition, a new Granthams Landing resident (living in Granthams for 2 years or less) should be included on the board whenever feasible.
- 3. Each director agrees to stand for a two-year term and may stand for reelection any subsequent term.
- 4. The quorum for the Board of Directors to meet and vote is 60% (e.g. 3 of 5 directors).

MOTION 2: to approve the completion of the New Societies Act Transition process by the Board of Directors as proposed, and to approve any changes to the wording of the Bylaws (as shown above) to clearly reflect the intent of the membership as considered at the AGM held on September 17, 2017.

→ Moved by Nicky, seconded by Anna. Carried.

Additional Resolution proposed for the purpose of clearly identifying as separate from GWA operating funds the amount now held by GWA for the future benefit of the Grantham's Hall initiative.

MOTION 3: to continue to hold deposits, and identify as separate from general operating funds, those funds raised and donated by the community for the specific benefit of the Grantham's Hall Restoration initiative.

→ Moved by Rick, seconded by Doug. Carried.

4. Fundraising

- a. The membership agreed that we need to raise more funds and thought one big event would be better than a series of smaller ones.
- b. This will likely take place in the spring, but will need further discussion and dedicated volunteers.

5. Adjournment

- a. The existing Board will continue for the 2017-2018 term.
- b. The meeting was adjourned and the Board was thanked for their work.