

Minutes of the Farmers Institute Directors Meeting held on Monday, March 21, 2022 at 7 p.m. in the Youth Hall located at 3565 Watson Avenue in Cobble Hill.

Those present: Roger Painter - President, Robin Brett - Treasurer, Russell Dann, Bill Wikkerink, Brenda Burch, Jayne Shaw, Blair Herbert and Gerry Giles - Secretary.

Apologies: Roy Davies - Vice President, Nellie Poelman.

Moved Bill Wikkerink
Second Russell Dann
the agenda be accepted as distributed. MOTION CARRIED

Moved Robin Brett
Second Jayne Shaw
the minutes of the February 21, 2022 directors meeting be accepted as distributed. MOTION CARRIED

Business from the Director's Minutes:

- Septic System Pump Out - Robin to schedule

President's Report - Roger indicated his report deals mainly with what he has been involved with so the building addition, pop pie preparation, cleaning the heat pump ventilation system in the Stu Armour Hall which requires a scissor lift, ensuring the lawnmower is ready for spring/summer usage, moving the TOPS cupboard to the Youth Hall and attending the Fair meeting. In his view all is functioning very well.

Treasurer's Report - Robin reviewed the February financial statements which show the Farmers Institute is currently in the black - an unusual occurrence for this time of year. She indicated while Fair money is starting to come in, expenses for the Fair are also starting to occur. Robin's written Treasurer's report will be presented to the general membership meeting.

Moved Bill Wikkerink
Second Brenda Burch
the Treasurer's report be accepted as presented. MOTION CARRIED

Secretary's Report - Gerry provided a written update on the Centennial Project, Rentals, Membership, the Pot Pie and Seniors Luncheon Programs and the Easter Egg Hunt, which will be distributed to the general membership. She asked for a resolution authorizing Roger as President to sign the CCRF funding agreement.

Moved Bill Wikkerink
Second Robin Brett
Roger Painter be authorized to sign the CCRF funding agreement on behalf of the Shawnigan Cobble Hill Farmers Institute and Agricultural Society. MOTION CARRIED

Gerry also submitted her *South Cowichan Life* Article for information purposes only.

Maintenance Report - it was noted the centre florescent light in the dining room in the Cobble Hill Hall is no long working and it was asked whether there was enough money in the maintenance budget to replace these lights and the kitchen lights with daylight LED lighting. Once it was ascertained there was money in the maintenance fund, it was

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Second Robin Brett

the dining room and kitchen florescent light fixtures be replaced with daylight LED light fixtures and lighting. MOTION CARRIED

Fair Report - Blair reported on a Fair meeting held March 9th and indicated another Fair meeting would be held on March 31st in the Youth Hall. He said the Porta Potties have been booked and paid for, the fencing has been ordered and it would likely need to be paid for in advance also. He also pointed out the Fair website needs to be updated and that he would like to see online registration take place this year. The Draft Fair budget shows a profit of approximately \$15,000. This is a best estimate as there is no real way of knowing how many people will return to the Fair.

New Business:

a) Revised Constitution and Bylaw were reviewed after which it was

Moved Blair Herbert
Second Bill Wikkerink

the Draft revised Constitution and bylaws be presented to the General Membership at their meeting on March 28, 2022. MOTION CARRIED

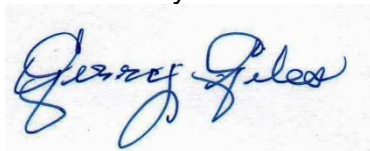
b) It was agreed the following would be the General Meeting Agenda

- call to order
- minutes of preceding meeting – be the directors meeting of March 21, 2022 given the last general membership meeting was 2 years ago
- business arising out of minutes
- president's report
- treasurer's report
- secretary's report
- reports of directors
- new business - Introduction of Draft Amended Constitution & Bylaws
- questions
- adjourn

The next Directors meeting will be held on April 18th 2022 in the Youth Hall at 7 p.m.

There being no further business the meeting adjourned at 7:54 p.m.

Submitted by



Gerry Giles, Secretary