

**Association of Mayne Island Boaters
EIGHTH ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING MINUTES
Saturday 11 October 2008 - Agricultural Hall – 9:30 am**

- Call to Order** Al Maxwell, Chair, called the meeting to order at 9:40 am with 13 members present and a later total of 16
- Apologies:** Larry Barker, Mike Bromm, Rob Christall, Mike Sywulych
- Announcements:** Our Wine & Cheese has been changed to Saturday 08 November 2008 from 2:00 to 5:00 at the Ag Hall.

- 1 Welcome and Agenda Adoption.** There being no errors or omissions, **MOTION: It was moved by Martin Broad, seconded by Marlie Chubb that the Agenda of 11 October 2008 be adopted. CARRIED**
- 2 Minutes of Annual General Meeting of 6 October 2007.** There being no errors or omissions, **MOTION: It was moved by Martin Broad, seconded by Marlie Chubb that the Minutes be accepted as displayed. CARRIED**
- 3 Minutes of General Meeting of 19 April 2008.** There being no errors or omissions, **MOTION: It was moved by Marlie Chubb, seconded by Martin Broad that the Minutes be accepted as displayed. CARRIED**
- 4 Financial Reports.** Al Maxwell outlined the Financial Report of 30 September 2008 Year-to-Date Summary and a Financial Statement prepared by Mike Sywulych for 2007 and 2008. An internal audit was conducted by Mike Sywulych, Al Maxwell and Carol Broad on 12 April 2008. However, an official audit will be required in the near future. Al called for errors or omissions regarding the reports. There being no errors or omissions, **MOTION: It was moved by Al Maxwell, seconded by Bill Duggan that the Financial Reports as outlined be accepted as distributed. CARRIED**
- 5 Correspondence.** Carol Broad
Our Correspondence Binder, the AMIB General and Executive Minutes Binders were present for members perusal. An update of the most recent correspondence was outlined by Al Maxwell and will be discussed later in the meeting.

Miners Bay. Barry Wilkes

Barry updated members re the Public Information Meeting on 27 September 2008 at which approximately 150 attended in support of keeping the dock in its present state. MP, Gary Lunn met with Barry and Peter Sara at the Miners Bay Dock to investigate on October 1st prior to the Candidates Meeting. MP, Gary Lunn seemed concerned about the issue and stated he would be in contact with the CRD to rescind their motion and to further discuss priorities and funding. *(AMIB has supported the saving of the Miners Bay Dock (including vehicle access) in letters to the SGHIC in 2006 and 2007 – on file).*

6 **President's Report:** Al Maxwell

AMIB Activities 2007/08. Club activities for the past year were outlined as per October 2008 Mayneliner AMIB Article.

Horton Bay.

A brief history lesson was given on Anson Road and the DFO Horton Bay Dock. A suggestion came from the floor that AMIB pressure the Federal Government re the DFO Horton Bay Dock to settle the eternal dispute with the present owner so we know how to proceed on the Anson Road site. It was also suggested from the floor that it might be worth looking at an alternate location on a public road off Steward Drive.

Pumpty Dumpty II Project.

A power-point display on the Life of Pumpty was presented. Of special note to members is that grants alone have covered the costs of the PD II Project – and absolutely no AMIB funds have been used for this project. The latest correspondence from the Provincial Government, MI Conservancy & Mountain Equipment was outlined. Applications for a grant from Mountain Equipment have been submitted. We should know by mid November if approved.

7 **Committee Reports**

Membership. 134 members to date.

Social. Marlie Chubb has volunteered her expertise to coordinate the Wine and Cheese on November 8th. A Big **THANK YOU** to Marlie!

Ramps: Martin Broad

Village Bay. Ramp in good condition.

David Cove. Ramp in good shape with occasional algae cleaning ongoing.

Curlewview. Slab in good condition. However, cement water-trough on north edge is mostly cracked and broken away due to dump trucks using the ramp on Sept. 16 & 17 to offload asphalt. Some compaction of beach sand at foot of the ramp, also due to heavy trucks and ramps from asphalt barge. Al Maxwell has contacted Island Paving and they have advised that Mainland Contracting will be dealing with it, hopefully, on Tuesday. Al Maxwell also explained the history of this ramp with special emphasis on the fact that a contract was signed between the AMIB and the MOT restricting our ramp foot to the High Water Mark Only. (*Our ramp enabled the off-loading of asphalt, with no compensation to AMIB [ref Fin Rept 2008]*).

8 **Business Arising From Last Meeting**

Abandoned/Unsafe/Unused Mooring Buoys

Henry Till has volunteered to take on the Buoy Registration Program. One more year is required to tag buoys. The intent is to identify only – not to disturb and if possible, advise owners of unsafe or hazardous buoys. **MOTION: It was moved by Blair Smith, seconded by Martin Broad that AMIB continue the Mooring Buoy Registration Program with an emphasis on identifying abandoned/unsafe/unused mooring buoys. CARRIED**

9 **New Business**

Pumpty Dumpty II: Bill Duggan

Whereas the funding for the Pumpty Dumpty II Project was delivered with the intent of securing a clean-up of local waters; and, the ultimate goal would be to have a permanent pump-out in place somewhere on these Gulf Islands; and the student who trained for and was chosen as the employee before the PD II was destroyed is now a student rep on the local trust association for the Pender Islands; and, planning his graduation and goals for post secondary in Environmental Law at UBC, **MOTION: It was moved by Bill Duggan, seconded by Ed Pedersen that AMIB provide a \$500.00 scholarship to James Thiebeault in lieu of lost wages this past summer.** **CARRIED**

11:00 a.m. Meeting interrupted for Election of Officers.

Election of Officers and Directors The **Slate of Candidates** who agreed to stand for election as officers and directors for the 2008/2009 term were announced as follows: **President:** Al Maxwell **Vice President:** Larry Barker **Secretary:** Carol Broad **Treasurer:** Mike Sywulich. **Directors:** Jill Hansche, John Larsen, Blair Smith, Henry Till. Rosemary Bennett then chaired the elections of the new Board, calling three times for nominations from the floor. Hearing none, she called for a vote of all qualified members to acclaim the new Board. She then handed the meeting to the newly elected President, Al Maxwell. Al thanked Rosemary for her participation and the outgoing Board for their assistance and hard work over the past year.

9 **New Business (continued)**

Anson Road. It was generally agreed that AMIB take the first step in this venture by clearing the debris and opening up the road. **MOTION: It was moved by Blair Smith, seconded by Martin Broad that AMIB enter into an agreement with Mayne Island Parks & Recreation to steward a beach access and small boat launch at the Anson Road beach access.**

CARRIED

Boat Safety Inspections: Henry Till

Henry updated members on a Coast Guard member who is willing to conduct boat inspections. **MOTION: It was moved by Blair Smith, seconded by Sean Skiffington that the Education Director of AMIB contact the Coast Guard to arrange a presentation on safety checks for boats.** **CARRIED**

Pumpty Dumpty II: Blair Smith

Blair outlined the importance of this project. The consensus was that we support this noble cause to help keep our waters clean and to create awareness; but, to also continue lobbying the Government to do something! **MOTION: It was moved by Blair Smith, seconded by Judi Stilborn that AMIB support the PD II project as long as resources, volunteers and independence of action are assured.** **CARRIED**

10 There being no further business to discuss, **MOTION: It was moved by Blair Smith, seconded by Norm Price, that the meeting be adjourned at 11:30 am.** **CARRIED**