

**Association of Mayne Island Boaters  
GENERAL MEETING MINUTES  
Saturday 14 April 2007  
Agricultural Hall 9:30 a.m.**

**Call to Order:** Chair, Al Maxwell, called the meeting to order at 9:35 a.m. with 23 members present. Two more members arrived later making a total of 25 members present.

**Apologies:** Jerry Betker Jim Golding

**1 Welcome and Agenda Adoption**

The Ag Society has acquired a new projector making it possible to display the Curlewview Work project, the Pumpy Dumpty program, Agenda and other pertinent information. Al called for any errors or omissions to the Agenda. Hearing none, **MOTION: It was moved by Neil Jensen, seconded by Mike Sywulich that the Agenda for the General Meeting of 14 April 2007 be adopted as distributed. CARRIED**

**2 Minutes of Annual General Meeting 2 October 2006**

Al called for errors or omissions. Hearing none, **MOTION: It was moved by Warren Clark, seconded by Len Epp that the Minutes of the Annual General Meeting of 2 October 2006 be adopted as posted. CARRIED**

**3 Financial Reports**

Mike Sywulich distributed Financial Reports as follows: 31 December 2006 Year to Date Summary and 1 January to 31 March 2007 report and explained the various items. Of special note was that the Mayne Island Parks and Recreation Commission established a fund in 2006 for ramp repairs. A total of \$1900. was collected in 2006 from contractors (eg. Nickel Bros) who were using the ramps to move houses onto Mayne Island. The costs to repair Village Bay ramp in 2006 was submitted and the CRD approved the payment of \$1900. to AMIB. He then called for questions. Hearing none, **MOTION: It was moved by Bob Wilband and seconded by Warren Clark that the Financial Reports be accepted as distributed. CARRIED**

**4 Correspondence**

Al reported that due to the volume of letters and E-mails since October 06, a Summary of the correspondence was read to the members. All correspondence and the AMIB Minute Book were present and available for any member to read through and to request copies, if desired, for the cost of copying. AMIB also maintains a Scrapbook of interesting photos and articles which are also available. **MOTION: It was moved by Mike Sywulich and seconded by Irene McDonald that the Summary of Correspondence be accepted. CARRIED**

**5 Committee Reports**

**Memberships.** Al advised that we have 7 new members, 46 paid and 178 outstanding. Mike advises that we are ahead compared to this time last year. Members were encouraged to remind any friends, family, etc. to pay their fees. Also, membership tables will be set up at future social activities.

**Ramps.** In Elma's absence, Al briefed the members as follows

**Village Bay.** Armor rock was broaching under hammering from winter storms, but was repaired with concrete patching. Asphalt finings need heat. A load of cement which was left over from Curlewview was put there. Glenn Grimmer will continue to put any leftover cement from any future jobs. We will reassess the situation in September for future repairs.

**David Cove.** The problem with slime and debris continues causing a concern re liability. Al has been having some success removing the slime with coarse salt. We also need a shepherd for here & Oyster Bay.

**Curlewview.** Video of work done. Thank you to all the work crew and a special thank you to Aaron Somerville (Contractor) and to Bill and Elma Maund. Bill's very professional plans were followed as best as possible considering changes to the slope being necessary as the on-site Archeologist found some deer bones. The Directors will reassess the ramp after the rains to see if any upgrades will be needed.

**Anson Road.** Bill Maund has made up the plans for a new pier, dock, float and ramp. Al is in charge of waste management. Bill Holmgren brought forward for consideration the use of a septic holding tank at Anson Road. This project will be initiated through a public process after the infrastructure is in place. The Harbours Board is taking the lead on this with AMIB in a support position.

### **Social Events.**

Irene reported that the dates have been posted on the AMIB website <http://www.mayneboaters.com> and advised of the following social events:

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| May 20 | AMIB Marine Table at the Lions Club Swap Meet –Dinner Bay 12:00<br>Donations are welcome - call Al Maxwell at 539-3351. |
| May 27 | Picnic in the Park – 2:00 pm Dinner Bay<br>BYOB, Irene, Elma & Carol will be contacting members for help                |

**Marine Conservation Project/Buoy Registrations.** Al referred members to the Blue Form regarding the Pumpty Dumpty Program and the Buoy Registration. We have shepherds as follows:

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| Miners Bay            | Ev McKay          |
| Dinner Bay            | Bryan Westby      |
| Horton Bay            | Al Maxwell        |
| Navy Channel          | Elma & Bill Maund |
| Village Bay           | Dan Stanton       |
| Campbell Bay          | Larry Barker      |
| David Cove/Oyster Bay | TBA               |

**Pumpty Dumpty Program.** Al advised this joint project with the Mayne Island Conservancy has generated \$600 from private donations. Requests for donations to various government organizations have resulted in 3 refusals and 2 are still pending. A video was shown outlining progress to date. The abandoned boat has now been restored by Al, Mike Footz , Bryan Westby and Dan Stanton. We are now at the stage where we need a motor. After a two month search, Al has located a Force 90 hp 2 stroke engine for a very reasonable price. Bill Holmgren advised that Jim Hill had a leftover motor from the last swap meet which could be considered. If not, Al suggested it be acquired for the AMIB Marine table at the Lions Swap Meet sale. At the 31 January 07 Executive Meeting, the Directors committed the AMIB to a donation of \$1000.00. It was also noted that the donated AMIB funds will be recouped if the Program does not work out. A commitment has been made by a local Mayne Islander to purchase the boat and possibly the motor if the program is cancelled. Other expenses for the program were outlined by Al and discussed with the members. A suggestion by Dan Stanton that "AMIB" be printed on the boat was favourably accepted by Al.  
**MOTION: It was moved by Ed Pedersen and seconded by Larry Barker that the members endorse the decision of the Directors to spend \$1000.00 on the Pumpty Dumpty Project. CARRIED**

## **6 President's Report**

Mike reported on the meeting he and Al attended in Sidney on 13 April 2007 with Parks Canada and representatives from the National Marine Conservation Area (NMCA). AMIB concerns re mooring buoys, docks, derelict vessels and fish closures were reported at this meeting. AMIB will continue to attend future meetings and keep members informed

**Bennett Bay Buoys.** Al advised that the buoys will be removed tomorrow. Eleven are still left (3 have called Al re removal). The saga continues. AMIB has been offered salvageable leftovers, however, Parks Canada PAYS FOR THE CLEANUP, NOT AMIB. It was noted that the AMIB does not endorse this issue but is involved for consultations only.

### **Miners Bay.**

Al has created a Blog <http://mayneislandboaters.blogspot.com/>. The Harbours Board will conduct another survey in July and the results will be tabled at the next Harbours Board Public Meeting.

**Director and Vice President.** These positions are yet to be filled. Please contact Al if you have any suggestions.

### **7 New Business**

**Change to Protocol #11** Al read the present Protocol 11 from the AMIB Policies and Protocol as follows:

12 March 2001 MOTION: “Disbursements of profits from fundraising events held by the Association of Mayne Island Boaters shall be ten (10%) to AMIB General Operating Account, with the balance of ninety (90%) deposited into a Project Account to fund boating related projects, as designated and approved by the membership. The Board of Directors shall have a discretionary spending limit from the Project Account of not more than \$100.00 without approval of the membership.” **MOTION: It was moved by Larry Barker and seconded by Warren Clark to remove the last sentence from Protocol #11 and a new Protocol be created to read as follows: “The Board of Directors shall have a discretionary spending limit of not more than \$500.00 without approval of the membership.”** **CARRIED**

### **8 Guest: Gary Logan, Specialist, Dept. of Fisheries & Oceans**

Gary gave an update on topics such as the proposed new Fisheries Act, Rockfish Conservation Areas, Enforcement of Fisheries Act, etc. Questions were taken from the floor on a variety of topics ranging from rising seal populations, poaching, any pending RCA's, closure of roe herring fishery, use of traps, impact of the new Fisheries Act locally, opening of Ling Cod fishery, enforcement problems and Registry # data base file problems. He also advised that chloroform counts have been rising in local waters. And on the Illegal Fishing issue, he encouraged members to report violations as soon as possible to the DFO by calling **1-800-465-4336**. Gary provided frank, factual answers giving his own opinion on how things might work out, making him an excellent ambassador for the RCA program. Complimentary copies of a booklet and a CD entitled “Rockfish Conservation Areas” were made available for the members.

**9 Next General Meeting - Saturday, 9 June 2007 at Georgina Point Lighthouse.** Irene advised that the venue might be changed if the Lighthouse is not available. Members will be advised accordingly.

### **10 Adjournment**

On behalf of his wife, Dell (Neighbourhood Coordinator, ESS), Al advised that volunteers were needed for the mock evacuation on May 6. There being no further business to discuss. **MOTION: It was moved by Mike and seconded by Irene that the meeting be adjourned. The meeting adjourned at 11:45 a.m.**

### **Attachments**

General Mtg Agenda 14 Apr 07

Financial Reports(4): 31 Dec 06, 31 Dec YTD 06, 31 Dec 06 YTD Summary, 1 Jan to 31 Mar 07

List of Correspondence 06 October 06 to 14 April 07

Mayne Island Conservancy Society re Pumpy Dumpty and Private Buoy Requirements