

## **Galiano Island Local Trust Committee**

### ***Louise Decario and Sandy Pottle***

The Galiano Island Local Trust Committee held its regularly scheduled LTC meeting on March 3, 2014, at the South Hall and on March 8, 2014, a Community Information Meeting was held at the Lions hall to share and gather information on the issue of Short Term Vacation Rentals. Trustees Decario and Pottle attended Trust Council on Hornby Island from March 4 to March 6.

#### **LOCAL TRUST COMMITTEE MEETING MARCH 3, 2014**

**Development variance Permit (DVP)** A DVP was approved to allow for a second storey within an existing 9 metre high agricultural accessory building (barn). The second storey is required by the applicant to improve the viability of a proposed small horticultural business.

**Land Use bylaw (LUB) 241** LUB 241 was adopted by the GILTC. This bylaw will allow for temporary saw milling on residential lots between the hours of 0800 to 1700 (excluding Sundays and statutory holidays and Saturdays from May 1 to Sept 30).

**Short Term Vacation Rental Update** A mail out was sent to 1165 Galiano Island landowners on January 17, 2014. The mail out included a fact sheet, link to the online survey and a notice of the STVR Community Information. Two hundred and forty four responses were received. It was noted by some participants that it was possible to respond more than once to the survey. Survey results are available on the Island Trust website.

**Project Charter on Development Permit 4 Revision** Bylaws regarding groundwater protection were reviewed and evaluated by Waterline Resources Inc. in 2011/2012. Some of their recommendations dealt with existing DPA 4 guidelines which include groundwater catchment areas above 140 metres elevation. The LTC directed staff to draft a revised Development Permit Area 4 – Elevated Groundwater Protection bylaw.

**Memorandum of Understanding (MOU)** The LTC directed staff to work with the Capital Regional District (CRD) regarding the administration of Housing Agreements on Galiano. Housing Agreements will be required for the approval of affordable housing projects on the island and CRD presently holds such agreements for similar projects.

**Community Information Meeting March 8 Lions Hall** This CIM was held to present the results of the survey and gather further information from community members. About twenty five different people expressed their views regarding this issue. Staff will review the information and submit recommendations to the LTC at the April 7 2014 LTC meeting. It is anticipated that final adoption of bylaws will be completed by Sept. 8 2014.

**Trust Council Hornby Island March 4 to March 6 2014** Trust Council meets quarterly and the March meeting deals primarily with budget matters. Trust Council voted unanimously in favour of a budget which will see no increase in taxes for the fiscal year 2014/2015. Council also met with representatives from the Ministry of Aboriginal Affairs and Reconciliation in order to receive information regarding the BC Treaty process and to get an update on negotiations relevant to the Islands Trust Area. Council passed a motion directing Chair Sheila Malcolmson to write to the B.C. Ferries Commissioner to ask that he conduct a performance review of B.C. Ferries with respect to cost effective management and increased cost allocations to non-major routes.

The next meeting of the Galiano Island Local Trust committee will take place on **April 7, 2014 at 12:30 PM at the South Galiano community Hall. Please attend.**



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