

MAYNE ISLAND TRUSTEE REPORT

APRIL 2014

The Local Trust Committee met on March 26, 2014, and received input from the Advisory Planning Committee on the Temporary Use Permit for the Mayne Island Resort dock. Their recommendations will be incorporated into a staff report for our April 23, 2014 meeting. The recommendations dealt with the size of the dock, the use of the dock, signage, and endorsement of a partnership with the Mayne Island Conservancy around shoreline and eel grass protection. A decision on the permit will like occur at the May meeting, all information can be found on the Islands Trust website.

As well, the Trust Committee received a proposed water plan for the Oceanwood project as requested. This plan would tie in a considerable amount of rainwater collection per unit proposed. The premise of the water plan has been taken from years of experience at the Mayne Island Resort which uses rain water in addition to well water and has a substantial amount of storage capacity for water.

Numerous OCP and LUB technical amendments from our current bylaws were received in a staff report, these comprise largely spelling and grammatical errors, the report has been referred to the APC for further consideration.

A letter was received from Steve Thomson, Minister of Forests, Lands and Natural Resource Operations regarding the Riparian Area Regulations for Mayne Island. The LTC had written the Minister's office stating it would not implement the regulations for Mayne Island due to conflicting information around fish presence or expectations of fish presence. The water courses identified do not contain fish. A decision to invite a member of staff, as per the Ministers suggestion, was made at our meeting and we look forward to having a face-to-face dialogue with Margaret Henigman, Ecosystem Biologist for the FLNR, at a future business meeting.

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