

GALIANO ISLAND LOCAL TRUST COMMITTEE

TRUSTEES DECEMBER 2014 REPORT LOUISE DECARIO AND SANDY POTTLE

The Galiano Island Local Trustee Committee (LTC) met at the South Galiano Community Hall on November 3, 2014. This was the last LTC Meeting for the term 2011 to 2014. The new LTC will be sworn in on Dec 2, 2014 in Victoria. The term has been extended from a 3 year period to a period of 4 years.

A **Community Information Meeting and Public Hearing** were held for the proposed rezoning of District lot 79. The proposed Bylaws (No. 244 and 245) were given Third Reading and will be forwarded to the Executive Committee and the Ministry for approval. All who spoke did so in favour of the rezoning application.

This application proposes to create 5 five acre residential lots, a Forest 3 lot and parkland, some of which will become a community park and the remainder of which will be transferred to B.C. Parks. One of the residential lots will be sold and the proceeds will go to the Galiano Island Housing Society for the creation of assisted living units at Page Drive Seniors Housing Facility.

A Sustainable Forestry Covenant for the Forest 3 (F3) portion of the lot will comprise part of the rezoning, it is presently being reviewed by a third party and will need to be in place prior to final adoption of the bylaws.

A **Development Permit** was approved for the siting of a dock at the North End of Galiano. Much controversy has surrounded the siting due to the fact that a neighbours view would be seriously impacted by the location of this structure. The matter will be pursued by the parties concerned through the Ministry of Forest Lands and Natural Resource Operations (MFLNRO) and possibly through the courts. The Development Permit conditions set out in the Galiano Development Permit Area were met and the LTC was obliged to issue the Permit.

A very similar situation arose in another location but both parties were able to come to an amicable solution with the help of MFLNRO and the Islands Trust.

Correspondence was received from a forest lot owner regarding the possibility of the LTC considering **rezoning a portion of District Lot 54 to a Forest Retreat zone**. Such a zone does not presently exist within our bylaws. Staff will contact the owner and invite the owner to prepare an application for the LTC's consideration.

Trustee Louise Decario was honoured with a cake and candles for her 9 years of service as a Galiano Island trustee. Thank you Louise for your hard work on behalf of the Galiano community. Happy Retirement. We look forward to your participation in other capacities in the future.

The new GL LTC will consist of **Sandy Pottle and George Harris** and a chair who will be appointed for Galiano after Trust council elections in December. The first LTC meeting of the New LTC will be announced following Trust Council Dec 3 to 5 2014.

The Term in Review (2011 to 2014) - A very busy three years.

Projects of the Local Trust Committee

Applications

Land Use Bylaw Update (completed)
Development Permit Area Implementation (completed)
Groundwater Development Permit Area (at Ministry for approval)
Short Term Vacation Rental Review (at Ministry for approval)
Contractor's Yard Review (deferred to 2015)

1 Agricultural Land Reserve Application
12 Development Permit Applications
12 Development Variance Applications
3 Subdivision Applications
3 Temporary Use Permit Applications
3 Rezoning Applications