

## LTC Report

The Local Trust Committee started the New Year by meeting other SGI Trustees for a round table orientation on 12<sup>th</sup> January. Although a good portion of the meeting was geared to orientating new trustees to the procedures and protocols of local government, this was also useful to returning incumbents since we could catch up on new provincial requirements and expectations. Trustees also used the opportunity to network and share ideas for the new term. A second meeting, planned for spring, will focus on economic development and will include CRD Directors and trustees from Saltspring Island.

The Mayne Island LTC have been informed that the Oceanwood application has been withdrawn. Citing a moribund economy and BC Ferries in particular, the owner said, this is not a good time to invest in the Gulf Islands.

Now that we are in a new four year term, the Islands Trust is required to make a new budget, this will be a major item at the next Council meeting in March. Staff has placed a draft 2015-18 budget on the Trust website and we urge everyone to see this and provide comments to Jeanine or I before March.

The next LTC meeting will be at 23<sup>rd</sup> February, 1:00pm at the Ag Hall.

**Please note: all regular meetings for this term will be on Mondays.**

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