

Pender Post January 2019
North Pender Trustee Corner
By Deb Morrison

I hope everyone is having a wonderful winter and wish you all the best for the New Year.

Going forward, Ben and I will alternate who posts for the North Pender Local Trust Council (NP-LTC), this month it is my turn. Thanks to all who attended the first NP_LTC meeting on Nov. 29, 2018. I appreciated the respectful and informative conversations and hope to continue conducting these meetings in a way that supports discussion. I also encourage people to write in on comments as having your thoughts in advance is very helpful when considering an application and visiting sites before decisions are made at LTC meetings. At the November meeting we considered four applications. We also decided to list our two projects as Climate Science Change Adaptation and Mitigation Resilience; and Land Use Planning for Waste Management. Please see meeting minutes included in the next meeting agenda for details on these by visiting the Islands Trust website or our Trustee website (www.penderislandstrust.org).

Our next NP-LTC business meeting will be on January 31, 2019 at the Community Hall starting at 10:00am and going until done. The agenda for the meeting is posted online [seven](#) days prior to the meeting with a full package available of all applications being considered. I encourage everyone to look over the list of new applications and send Ben (bemconchie@islandstrust.bc.ca) and myself (dmorrison@islandstrust.bc.ca) an email if you have any specific thoughts about any of the applications. Please contact our local planners with any technical questions (information@islandstrust.bc.ca or 250-405-5151 and ask for North Pender planner). Again I would like to stress that advance notice of your thoughts helps us consider applications more fully than waiting to also talk to an issue at the meeting. Such advance input is greatly appreciated.

In addition to the regularly scheduled NP-LTC, we would like to invite you to an open house at the Community Hall on January 12 from 2-4 in the afternoon. This open house is intended as an information sharing space to learn more about what it means to live within the Islands Trust area, how you might contribute to the Islands Trust Conservancy efforts, information about our official community plan (OCP), and other topics of interest. People are also welcome to contribute to conversation around Tourism issues within the Southern Gulf Islands the same day from [add times here].

We would also like to offer community members the chance to participate in a workshop hosted by Islands Trust and Living Oceans on Sea Level Rise Workshop on January 29, 2019 between 6:00-9:30pm at the Community Hall.

If you are having any trouble accessing materials directly on the Islands Trust website (<http://www.islandstrust.bc.ca/>), please let us know your specific challenge by email

(dmorrison@islandstrust.bc.ca) so we can work to fix this and we will also put up a shortcut on our Trustees site for the Pender Islands (www.penderislandstrust.org).

Finally, I would like to thank all of you who have been so gracious in your comments about me taking up the Trustee position here on North Pender. I know we will not always agree but I want you all to know I feel honored to serve our community in this way.

Deb Morrison