



Gabriola Island Recycling Organization

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AGENDA – 2020 AGM

1. call to order, quorum determined and advance notice of meeting
2. approval of the agenda
3. approval of the draft 2019 AGM minutes
4. unfinished business from last AGM
5. receive 2019 annual financial statements
6. receive Director's annual report
7. proposed bylaw change
8. proposed change in membership fee
9. election of directors
10. informal 2020 update, open discussion
11. adjournment of meeting

Proposed Bylaw Change

Delete Section 4.10

Limitations on terms of office of a director

***4.10** A member who has served as a director for six consecutive years may not be elected or appointed as a director until such time as the member has not been a director of the Society for at least the period between two successive annual general meetings.*

This Limitation is not a requirement of the BC Societies Act and new directors have not been easy to come by in recent years. Also, arbitrary removal for a year is of little value. The Bylaws provide for removal of Directors who are negligent in their duties.



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Election of Directors:

The GIRO bylaws permit up to 9 Directors.

3 Directors are continuing their terms. In addition, there are 2 Directors nominated by the Board and one by Members

- Suzanne Campbell
- Fay Weller
- Janice Ursuliak

All nominations are in order and since there are 6 vacant positions, the three are elected by acclamation.

Change of Membership Fee:

The current membership fee is \$2 / yr. The Board is requesting the members approve an increase to \$10 / yr. This is still less than most other Non Profit groups on Gabriola and the plan is to introduce some tangible member benefits.

Suzanne to provide more detail.



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DRAFT MINUTES OF THE 2019 ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

Gabriola Island Recycling Organization (GIRO)

2019 Annual General Meeting Minutes for an AGM held May 29, 2019, at the Gabriola Island Community Hall

Chair: Barry Loescher

Secretary: David Swanson

Members: 16 GIRO members

1. The Chair called the meeting to order at 7:01
2. The Chair confirmed that
 - a. a quorum was present;
 - b. adequate advance notice of the meeting had been given by way of an ad in the Gabriola *Sounder* newspaper on May 14, 2019 and by a membership mail-out of the notice by email and by letter to members without an email address on May 14, 2019.
3. The Chair asked to approve the published agenda (handout): Moved: Val Houle; seconded by Howard Houle; CARRIED, UNANIMOUS
4. The Chair asked for a motion to approve the Draft 2018 AGM minutes (pre-circulated; also available as a handout): Moved by Howard Houle, seconded by Frank Bunyon; CARRIED, UNANIMOUS
5. No unfinished business from the 2018 AGM
6. Barry Loescher, President, reviewed the organization's financial statements. Various questions raised concerning revenue details and various line items in the Income and Expense section; Discussion by Barry Loescher and Michelle MacEwen (General Manager) answering these questions, explaining various expenses and giving details of GIRO's revenue sources: Motion to approve the 2018 financial statement: Moved by Susan Brown; seconded by Joyce Babula; CARRIED, UNANIMOUS



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7. The Chair read the 2018 Board of Directors report. He asked for questions. There were none.
8. Barry Loescher introduced the next item on the agenda: Election of New Board of Directors. Susan Brown (former GIRO president) chaired this portion of the meeting because Barry Loescher had agreed to stand again for office. Susan reviewed the fact that nominations were closed (48 hours prior to this meeting). She explained that the GIRO Board can consist of up to 9 members with a minimum of four. Since five directors had been nominated, she declared these five members elected by acclamation.
9. General Discussion: Question: new objectives for 2019? Barry Loescher reported details of the solar power installation for GIRO that GIRO has contracted through Empower Gabriola (57 solar panels). He mentioned that student and community education were also priorities for this year. Discussion moved to current educational programs in the school and the need for both advocacy and education to combat climate change. Susan Brown thanked the newly elected Board for standing for office and also thanked the previous Board for their work. She said that in her experience GIRO runs the best recycling program among the Gulf islands.
10. New Director Howard Houle introduced himself.
11. Motion to adjourn: moved by Val Houle; Seconded by Frank Bunyan. CARRIED, UNANIMOUS