

DELTA NATS. EXECUTIVE MEETING – TUESDAY, JANUARY 19, 2016-01-25  
7:30 PM. at home of Tom Bearss

The meeting started off with filming of The Exec. discussing the proposed Birds and Biodiversity Strategy being developed jointly by the Delta Nats. subcommittee with the Corporation of Delta. The members of the Delta Nats. subcommittee are Anne Murray, Terry Carr, Judy Kilcup, Nicki Brockamp, and Marlile Martin. The Corporation representative is Angela Danyluk. The filming was being done by Metro Vancouver.

WELCOME: With the filming completed, Tom commenced the formal Exec. Meeting.

MINUTES: The minutes of the last Executive Meeting held November 17 were reviewed. Jim Kneesch moved that they be approved, Anita seconded; approved by those present.

MEMBERSHIP: Jim Kneesch reported the total membership of our DNS as 100 members. This comprises 30 family memberships and 50 individual memberships.

PURCHASE OF SCOPE: The issue of purchase/not purchase was discussed. Ursula moved that we buy the scope and accessories as priced at \$4608.82. Elizabeth seconded the motion; passed by all present. Tom to follow up with Kirsten Walsh.

NEWSLETTER & PUBLICITY: We are all satisfied with progress in these areas.

INFORMATION DISTRIBUTION TO MEMBERS: Jim Kneesch will distribute messages from Tom. Jim Ronback will distribute information and news related to the environment.

SOCIAL: Elizabeth reported that the missing goodies list had been found. Due to her other commitments, Audrey dropped out of the Social Committee. Anyone else interested is welcome to volunteer.

ENVIRONMENT: a) Jim reported that VAPOR is going back to the B.C. Supreme Court to request that both parties to the dispute pay their own expenses. This is in response to a request from the proponent that VAPOR pay the legal costs for both parties.

b) US/CANADA RADIO TOWERS COALITION: The coalition still owes \$15K USD in legal fees to their legal team. There will be a fund raising event on March 5<sup>th</sup> at the Reef in Point Roberts.

c) LNG – WESPAC Jim reported that the Tsawwassen First Nation defeated the LNG proposal made for the Tsawwassen First Nations lands.

BCN & SPEAKERS: Ursula provided a short list of upcoming speakers; these include Nancy Probert and Jim Morrison.

B. C. Nature Meeting: Tom reminded us of the upcoming regional meeting being held in Comox from May 12<sup>th</sup> to 15<sup>th</sup>.

OTHER ISSUES: a) A brief discussion of the Nature Blitz to be held at Reifel on February 27<sup>th</sup>. The Alaksen Environment Canada site will also be open that day. Anne Murray will be leading a 7 AM tour. Marylile will organize the DNS display inside the Reifel building.

b) D.N.S. brochure: Jim Kneesch, Terry Carr and Ken Borrie will make a few minor amendments and get it printed.

c) Memberships: It was noted that Nature Vancouver offers three year memberships.

d) Tom will be making a presentation on Birds & Biodiversity to the Rotary Club Feb. 25<sup>th</sup> at the Beach Grove Golf Club.

MEETING CONCLUDED at approximately 9:30 PM.