



# Delta Naturalists Society

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## ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

**5 November 2019, 7:30 pm**

**Benediction Lutheran Church, 5575 6<sup>th</sup> Ave., Tsawwassen, BC**

### **1. Call to order and Welcome**

President Tom Bearss chaired the AGM, announced a quorum was present, and called the meeting to order. The current members of the Executive were introduced.

### **2. Appointment of Secretary:**

Nicki Brockamp agreed to act as secretary of the meeting.

### **3. Minutes of the Last AGM:**

The last Annual General Meeting of the Delta Naturalists Society was held on October 2, 2018. The Minutes were distributed to the membership shortly afterwards.

Jim Ronback moved we dispense with the reading of the Minutes of the AGM of October 2, 2018.

Seconder: Paul Rennie

The motion was opened for discussion. There was no further discussion. The motion was CARRIED.

### **4. President's Report.**

President Tom Bearss reported that Delta Nats had a very successful fiscal year, September 1, 2018 to August 31, 2019. He noted several of the Executive's contributions and thanked outgoing member Chris McVittie and welcomed new addition Audrey Coutts. He also noted the contributions of the Bird Strategy Team to the Delta Birds and Biodiversity Conservation Strategy. He mentioned and thanked other Nat contributors including the Social Convenors, Bird Box Team, Publicity Team, Display Team, Program Review Team, our Lobbyists, and our DNCB Team with 52 outings.

### **5. Financial Statements:**

Jim Kneesch, Treasurer, tabled Delta Naturalists Society's Financial Statement for the fiscal year, Sept. 1, 2018 to Aug. 31, 2019, and the budget for 2019/2020. (see attached)

Audrey Coutts moved the financial statement for the 2018/19 year and the budget for 2019/2020 be approved.

Seconded: Jennifer Melville-Roberts

The motion was open for discussion. There was no further discussion. The motion was CARRIED.

## **6. Election of Directors:**

At this point, the current Directors stepped down for the election of a new Board of Directors.

Jack MacDonald moved the 2019-2020 Directors be elected by a single resolution.

Seconded: Anne Murray

There was no discussion. The motion was CARRIED.

Each person nominated agreed to act as a director.

President Tom Bearss  
Vice-President Anita Den Dikken  
Treasurer Jim Kneesch  
Secretary Elizabeth Perrin  
Director Syd Barber  
Director Audrey Coutts

Tom Bearss asked for nominations from the floor. No new nominations were received, and nominations were closed.

David Hoar moved that the persons nominated be declared duly elected as directors of the Delta Naturalists Society.

Seconded: Pam Swanigan

The vote was taken by a show of hands. All were in favour.  
CARRIED

## **7. Annual Fees:**

Membership Chair Jim Kneesch indicated the individual and family fees currently in force for the Delta Naturalists Society, and reported the fees were due September 1, 2019.

Joyce Manary made a motion to continue with these fees of \$35 for individual and \$45 for family, and that the fee due date be September 1, 2019.

Seconder: Jennifer Melville-Roberts

There was no further discussion, and the vote was taken by a show of hands. CARRIED.

**9. Other Business:**

Annie Kaps suggested there be a limit on the length of time an individual serve as the BC Nature Representative as the person in this position receives some relief from expenses incurred attending BC Nature meetings. President Tom Bearss advised that this will be addressed at the next DNS Executive meeting.

There was no further business.

**The group thanked the 2018-19 Board for their commitment.**

**10. Adjournment:**

Noreen Rudd moved the meeting be terminated.

Seconder: Terry Carr

All present were in favour. CARRIED

The meeting was terminated.