

## **LICA GENERAL MEETING MINUTES**

**Wednesday April 28, 2021**

7:15 PM (VIA Zoom)

### **Call to Order/Roll Call**

Introduce Board Members/First Time Guests

President Greg Hall called the meeting to order at 7:32. He introduced board members: Alan Krum—Vice President; Paul Davis—Treasurer; Connie Berry—Secretary, Mary Ross, Mike McKenzie, Carol McKinney and Bill Daley. Victoria Souze was an excused absence. Members attending a meeting for the first time was Gayle Lurenz. Also joining the Zoom call were 9-10 community members.

### **Approval of Agenda**

Greg gave a brief overview of the agenda for the meeting, which was sent out electronically via Brown Betty and Next Door. The agenda was approved.

### **Approval of Minutes**

The members moved and approved the last Regular Meeting Minutes (February 26, 2020.) The meeting was the last in-person meeting before the Covid-19 shutdown. Minutes were sent out electronically prior to the meeting.

### **Treasurers Report**

Paul presented the March 31, 2021 report and noted the upcoming liabilities and explained the net assets. The treasurer's report was approved.

### **Old Business**

1. COVID-19 and meeting restrictions rendered 2020 issues as moot. Although General Membership Meeting were not conducted, the LICA Board met as regularly scheduled and carried out LICA business.
2. This year our Island said goodbye to Louis Green, LICA President, who passed away early this year. He is truly missed. As Vice President, Greg Hall moved to the President's position and Alan Krum was elected as Vice President.

LICA 2020 accomplishments included mowing and taking care of the Ferry Orchard Park, Tome production and distribution via e-mail, Brown Betty announcements, Meals on Wheels deliveries and most notably—Development of the LICA website:

**[OurLummiIsland.org](http://OurLummiIsland.org)**

LICA Board members have donated well over a thousand hours in labor and work to get the website up and running and serve the Lummi Island Community.

## **New Business**

1. May Meeting – The May 26<sup>th</sup> General Membership Meeting will be a Hybrid combination of Zoom and face to face. Grange restrictions will determine how and whether we can meet face to face, but the plan is to conduct the meeting in a combined hybrid format—meaning there will be a Zoom link for members to join on-line and at the same time there will be a face to face meeting at the Grange, subject to Covid restrictions, including a limit on the number of members physically present, social distancing requirements, and masks mandatory at all times. No food or drink will be permitted.

2. Grants Presentation

The following grants were requested by community organizations and groups:

Christmas Ship \$200

Church chair lift \$2,000

Grange –

(a) Maintenance and repair on the Large Refrigeration unit in the Grange Kitchen or a small roof leak. \$300

(b) Add paving stones from double doors to street \$300

(c) New flooring in kitchen and dining room areas. \$1,000

Parish Health Ministries Power storage container \$300

Paris Health Ministries Punch card for volunteer emergency hospital trips \$210

Heritage Trust - Storywalk program \$300

Whatcom County Fire District #11- gurney loading \$2,000

Meals on Wheels and More \$1,000

**Grant requests total \$7,610**

All requests up to \$300 were previously approved by the Board, as allowed by the Bylaws. The Bylaws require any expenditure over \$300 to be approved by the General Membership at two meetings.

The grant package was approved and will be made final at the next General Membership Meeting.

- 3 Board Nominations-- The nominating committee members Mary Ross and Alan Krum presented the slate of candidates to fill the five board positions up for election in 2021. All but one current board member wish to stand for reelection. Mike McKenzie has decided to retire from board service. The LICA Board has nine board positions. Board members are elected to serve a two-year term. Every even numbered year the four even numbered board positions are elected.to serve a two-year term. Odd numbered years the five odd numbered positions are elected to serve a two-year term.

Position #1 Connie Berry incumbent

Position #3 Greg Hall incumbent

Position #5 Bill Daley incumbent

Position #7 Gayle Lurenz to fill Mike McKenzie's vacated position

Position #9 Victoria Souza incumbent

The floor was opened up to further nominations. None were made.

At the May General Membership Meeting this slate will be presented again and the floor will again be opened up for nominations before the members elect a new board.

3. Ferry Park Orchard:

For ten years, LICA has mowed and trimmed the Ferry Orchard Park through an agreement with Whatcom County Public Works. There are currently three mowing crews—Dave Thorn, Roteman's, and Farside Farm. A fourth crew is needed and LICA is asking for volunteers for this crew. A mower and weed eater are required. Mowing is weekly in May and June, twice a month in July, August, September and October (if needed.) The crews work out the calendar to schedule mowing dates, all subject to weather and rainfall!

4. Website

## [OurLummiIsland.org](http://OurLummiIsland.org)

Greg encouraged folks to visit the LICA website and help get the word out. The site is for Island **residents**, promoting artists, businesses and current information, including an interactive calendar that organizations will be able to update and add activities on their own. This project was started in 2020 and currently has more than 300 pages in the system with more to come. The website average 500 hits per day and is visited using mobile devices and desktops equally.

The website was used to tie the community together for the LICA Spring Cleanup. Despite having no food or snacks or gathering at the Grange, the organizers—Mary Ross and Carol McKinney had all paved roads covered and lots of teams out working. There was actually less trash than expected. The website allowed for volunteers to sign up and pick their roads.

More content contributions are invited and welcome! Contact [Admin@OurLummiIsland.org](mailto:Admin@OurLummiIsland.org) for information on how to submit content for the website or to make suggestions.

### **Drawing** \$85

Dawn Dietrich's name was drawn for the door prize however she was not present on the call. Next month the door prize will be \$90.

### **Adjournment**

The meeting adjourned at 8:27 pm.