

Minutes of the Directors Meeting

Tuesday 14th Mar. 2017, 5.00pm at the Recreation Centre

Present – Lee Middleton, Michael Pierce, James White, Bernie Ziegler,
Harvey Janszen, Tom Haggar, John Robertson, Ron Lewis: Apologies, Barb Ropars

1) Previous meeting Minutes

1.1) Minutes of Directors' Mtg., 9th Jan. 2017, and 6th Feb 2017- Approved.

2) Manager's report

2.1) Priority is the relocation of the "Whipple" and "Crowley" nodes by deadline of mid April. Also the elimination of equipment mounted high on trees where feasible, and the upgrading of radios.

2.2) Orcas experienced problems which were reflected in our system last month.

2.3) Three routers were replaced as a result of damage from Hydro outages.

2.4) The technical team will try to produce a plan of this work indicating timescales and priorities- action MP.

3) New Link Update/ RhiCom Proposal.

3.1) Subsequent to the Resolution at the last meeting, Rhicom have been unable to provide the costing assurances requested and do not have all the information from third parties yet to do so.

3.2) Beacon Communications (Saltspring) also have not produced any further proposals for a link to SNC.

3.3) After general discussion, and mindful of the need to meet the deadline of the Federal Grants, which are essential to fund such likely high capital expenditure the following Resolution was passed:

"SNC authorises RhiCom to make a Federal Grant Application in the name of the Co-op for an internet feed to Saturna Island.

MP will act as Liaison between SNC and RhiCom."

The Board will be able to review and approve the application before it is submitted.

4) Finance Report

5.1 The reports for January was issued and is attached.

5.2) It was noted that our capital fund is now \$45k and reducing per month due to increased expenditure over income.

The meeting was adjourned.