

SALMON BEACH OWNERS & COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

**SUNDAY, MAY 22, 2022
Tennis Court at Salmon Beach**

1. Meeting called to order at 10:00 a.m.
2. Introduction and welcome from Kel Roberts, Director Electoral Area “C” for the Alberni Clayoquot Regional District. Kel recognized the meeting this morning is being held within the traditional lands of the Nu-chah-nulth First Nations.
3. **Committee Members present:** Ellen Peet (Chair), Ron McKinlay, Terry Graff, Jill Maibach, Ken Lunde. 62 owners present.
4. **Statement of Conduct:** When asking questions please put your hand up, identify yourself, speak loudly, limit questions and time allotment.
5. **Adoption of Minutes from September 5, 2021**
Motion to approve made by Merle Graff
Seconded by Karen Bennett
6. **Approval of agenda as handed out**
Motion to approve made by Rhonda Butler
Seconded by Ken Lunde
7. **Chairman’s Report**
Septic Field Upgrade – The upgrade has been completed. It is working great. There should not be any lengthy waits.
Road Ditch Upgrade – The road leading into Salmon Beach was inspected and will be graded. Possibly paved from gate to bridge.
Gate – The arms need to be replaced with something more industrial. Possibly looking at installing a battery back-up system as well.
Boat Launch and Beach Access – Floats are out. Thanks to Richard Chambers and crew. The Committee plans to look into installing permanent poles. Beach access is currently a mess. The Committee will look into accessibility for kayaks and individuals with mobility issues.

Alder Bylaw – The ACRD were approached requesting a bylaw that would require owners to maintain their trees to a certain height or remove completely if overgrown. This request was denied.

Beach Campfires – Please do not have campfires on the beach especially at the point. Please keep campfires on your own property. There have been a few incidents where the campfires have not been extinguished. In addition, the garbage that is being left there is considerable and left to other residents to clean up. We must all do our part as a community to ensure that it remains safe and with no fire protection it would be devastating to the community if a fire were to get out of control.

Social Committee – Dawn Saunders has volunteered to organize the Canada Day Parade along with Wendy Taylor who has as in past years volunteered to organize the Ladderball Tournament. We have no volunteers to organize the Sandcastle Competition. The Community is looking for any residents to please volunteer for the Sandcastle Competition or if you have any other ideas for activities that you would like to organize. These events will only take place if volunteers step forward.

8. Area C Director's Report

New Business – There have been some new staff changes at the ACRD.

Daniel Sailland, CAO; Shane Koren, Procurement Coordinator; Eddie Kunderman, Operations Manager; Heather Zenner, Protective Services Manager; Heather Thomson, Communications Coordinator.

- Sewer pipes for Secret Beach Campground will be installed as part of the campground infrastructure.
- A conversation with Ministry of Highways has confirmed that the turnoff from 4A onto the Maggie Forestry Road will be paved up the hill after the Kennedy Hill project is completed.
- Ministry of Forests have said that culverts and bridge crossings will be worked on on the back road (Barkley Forestry Road)
- A reminder to all residents that ATV's need to be licensed and insured.
- Reduce height of crawlspace was turned down.
- A limit of 3 vehicles per property.
- Please ensure that you check your sewage tank periodically. It costs \$320 for an emergency pump out. Ryan can take up to 3 days to pump out for emergencies.

2023 Budget – No new changes for budget. Changes can happen if something comes up. The budget is being presented today to be approved at the September meeting.

New Truck – A new pump truck will be purchased, and it is in the 2023 budget.

Roof over sea cans - The bids received were outrageous. The Committee is looking at a Quonset Hut alternative perhaps to be budgeted for next year.

Playground Upgrade – The playground upgrade is planned for the 2024 budget. We have an estimate of \$69,000.

9. Discussion Period

General Comments

The speed limit is 15 mph within the beach.

Ongoing work is being done to eliminate wi-fi/cellular dead spots with the installation of new towers along the way.

Greg Palmer, 5th St.

Question: What's being done by the ACRD to police complaint driven by-law infractions?

Answer: With certain infractions, it is very difficult to police but in others such as vacation rentals, the ACRD has addressed this with letters and penalties.

Liz Hayward, 6th St.

Question: What is the Water envelope in the budget?

Answer: This is the water in the above ground tank at the tennis courts for Ryan's use within the beach.

Sonia, 5th St.

Question: Are there more services coming to Salmon Beach? Are we still considered "water access" only?

Answer: So far there are no plans from any major companies (i.e., Telus, Shaw) to bring any form of TV or internet access to the Beach. It is an ongoing and very lengthy procedure to change our zoning from "water access".

Andy Daniels

Question: What's the Committee's stance on full-time people living at the Beach?

Answer: It is very difficult to police. The by-law stipulates 180 days/yr.

Steve Hayward, 6th St.

General Comment: Do not want to be a bedroom community for Ucluelet.

Dave Ingram, Beach Rd.

General Comment: We should be looking into buying new property for the Sani-field since the rental of land in our current location with First Nations ends in 2030.

Liz Chiasson, 6th St.

Question: Can we change or extend the days to at least one day over the weekend that residents are able to dump their black water or blue boys in the Sani- field.

Answer: Ryan can open on other days but needs someone at the entrance to take the payment.

Kel Roberts, 6th St.

General Comment: Welcome to new owners. Comments that the Salmon Beach Committee is doing a fantastic job.

10. Elections

Call for Elections.

Current Committee willing to stand.

First time any nominations.

Second time any nominations.

Third time any nominations.

No nominations.

This Committee stands.

Thanks to Richard Chambers, Paul Smood and all our other volunteers!

11. Adjournment

Motion to adjourn made by Ron McKinley.

Seconded by Ken Lunde

Meeting adjourned at 10:50 am.