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To the Galiano Trust Committee Members,

I have had the good fortune of taking part in the most recent gatherings at the North End Hall to meet with neighbours of Crystal Mountain Society. With full intentions of listening to all the voices up north (there are 125 mailboxes in use above Cook Rd) we set out to meet with people who would be willing to 'facilitate' such meetings.

Luckily [REDACTED] long time Galiano resident and generally well informed community member agreed to take this on. His suggestion that [REDACTED] former trustee, be part of the planning meant that the consultation process had much thought and consideration going in to it. Amongst ourselves we had at least 3 meetings preparing!

On Sept 25, in the World Cafe style, topics of discussion were generated and voted on by 30 northend neighbours to be explored in smaller groups.

The top 6 were:

- Septic and Waste Management including sewage,
- OCP compliance,
- traffic,
- density,
- precedent regarding forest policy,
- environmental concerns.

It was felt that Crystal Mountain people could sit at each of the 4 tables and listen, take notes and act as a resource if questions were asked. Others took notes that were brought up in the whole room setting and recorded. Time was spent looking at the latest maps as well as written studies and

reports. Also many people sought out rezoning committee members to ask questions and give comment on a one-to-one basis. I realized clearly that not everyone wishes to speak out publicly; it doesn't mean that what the quieter voices have to say is not worth listening to.

The second gathering on Oct 23 had fewer people, some second-timers and some new. We managed to get through the rest of the topics thanks to the skilled facilitation of [REDACTED] and even ended up getting through all of the questions asked!

There was an appetite to really learn about this complex and detailed proposal. We know that there are concerns, questions and support among our community members. We are encouraged by the willingness to engage in good conversation about all of the aspects of this proposal.

We will likely be holding more gatherings both at the north end and the south end.

Nothing is written in stone, we are only at the draft bylaw stage; we are determined to get this right with the help of you the Trust Committee, the planners and our community.

Sincerely,
Janice Oakley