



Islands Trust

**NOTES FROM TIM:** Greetings all, Locally, we have only two meetings scheduled for before the end of the term, June 6th and August 29th at the Judith Fisher Centre. We'll have a new Chair for these meetings, Laura Patrick from Salt Spring. We will be receiving staff reports on both the OCP and the proposed Fees Bylaw No. 99 at the June meeting. At this point it seems certain that the OCP project will not be completed this year. The next general local elections will be held on October 15, and I intend to stand for another term. I encourage anyone interested in becoming a Trustee to check out the BC Gov website:

<https://www2.gov.bc.ca/gov/content/governments/local-governments/governance-powers/general-local-elections/running-for-local-office>

Also, feel free to ask Peter or I if you have questions. Nomination forms will be available on island from the local Election Officer when the nomination period opens August 30 –September 9.

Islands Trust Council will hold its Quarterly Meeting June 21-23, 2022. The agenda will be available online June 10, and debate will focus on the recommendations from the Governance Review Report:

<https://islandstrust.bc.ca/document/governance-review-final-report-february-2022/>

and the Policy Statement Amendment Project, which Council will be receiving a public engagement report on . More information on the project is at:

<https://islandstrust.bc.ca/programs/islands-2050/>

This meeting will be electronic, and the public can watch and ask questions during the Town Hall session, or apply to present a delegation beforehand. I will be supporting the establishment of a new Trust Council committee to address the recommendations of the Governance Review.

Please consider attending our local meetings in person or online , if you can. As always, feel free to contact your Trustees with your questions, comments, or concerns.

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**REGIONAL DISTRICT**

Regional Director: A Term in Review

A lot has happened since I was elected over 3 ½ years ago. Here are some of the items relevant for Lasqueti to which I contributed in my role as regional director in collaboration with volunteers, staff and other Board members:

### LIVFD:

- **Dispatch:** Last election, I said that I would be happy to face the qRD lawyer, and I did. It took a lot of time and effort, but the Board managed to work through the quagmire of concerns. I cannot share details of discussions from closed meetings other than to say that we eventually emerged with an agreement in late 2020 to move forward with Amended Option C.
- LIVFD now uses the Northern 911 service (based in Ontario) for emergency call answer/transfer and fire dispatch. This is the core aspect of the original community-supported proposal from the Emergency Dispatch Advisory Committee.

At this stage, the choice is in the hands of the Lasqueti community (which includes, of course, our fantastic LIVFD volunteers). Any future major service changes must be based on community wishes. Public consultation by the qRD staff on dispatch system is scheduled for later in the summer. Stay tuned.

- **Honourariums:** Four years ago, there were no honorariums for LIVFD other than a small amount for the Fire Chief, in contrast to other qRD volunteer fire departments. Providing some financial assistance has been documented as an