## Minutes of the General Meeting of the Probus Club of Nanoose Bay St. Mary's Church Hall Friday November 15<sup>th</sup>, 2019

**Welcome:** President Lyn King called the meeting to order at 9:15 am

Announcements: Lyn King thanked Cathy Hill, Terri Wright and Doree Kustra for today's

kitchen duties and Rhonda Johnson & Charles Pudsey for set up.

Minutes: Maureen Paterson motioned to approve the minutes of the October 18th, 2019 General

Meeting as posted on the website: - seconded by Tony Ransom – approved

**Membership:** Kathy Lowe on behalf of Lauren Sadler will collect any membership renewal cheques and forms. It was noted that unless there is a change in address or e-mail address the renewing member need not submit the renewal form.

**Sunshine:** Lynda Ingram reported that one card were sent out in the past month.

November birthdays were recognized.

**Communications:** On behalf of Ann Lawson, Lyn King reported that e-transfers to pay for membership renewal and special events was available and working well—some members have had some difficulty and Grant Krucik explained the procedure to the membership.

**S.I.G.s:** Lyn King on behalf of Ron Commander invited the various special interest groups to announce their upcoming activities -

full details and contact information are available on the website.

## Of note:

- Out & About are having their first luncheon at Taste Bistro on Nov 21.
- There was a show of hands regarding interest in attending Port Theatre events and have it run in a similar fashion to "Fringe Flicks" but no volunteer co-ordinator stepped up
- TED Talks next Thursday is regarding indigenous housing.
- Les Wineaux are having an "Evening in Italy" event on Wednesday Nov 20.
- Family History will be holding another information session regarding searching on Ancestry.ca at Nanoose Place in December – contact Marney Stephenson for information.
- Tech Know club will be meeting Nov 28 see website for details.

## **Social Committee:**

Jenny Ransom reported that outing to see the Moscow Ballet at the Port Theatre was well received. There is a sign up sheet and envelope for cheques for the Xmas Party on the table – deadline for signing up is Nov 29.

Linda Windrim requested payment for the breakfast at the legislature – tour is next week Nov 20 & 21. At the Wreath Decoration workshop scheduled for Dec 2 - there will be ready made wreaths available for purchase (contact Robyn Arnold for details).

Yellow Point Xmas outing on Dec 18 – dinner before at the Lighthouse.

Sign up sheet on the table for a tour of Robert Held Glass Studio – Jan 14<sup>th</sup> 10:30 am

Treasurer: In the absence of Randy Borger, Lyn King reported that our total bank balance as of

November 14, 2019 is \$8351.36

Guest Speaker: Bill Hamilton introduced our guest speaker: Mike Davidson

**Chief Operating Officer of the Nanaimo Port Authority** 

Mike Davidson has been with the Nanaimo Port Authority for many years and has been the project manager for redevelopment of the Marina Area. He presented to the membership an informative talk regarding the past, present and future of the Port. A map showed the 42 sq km of Nanaimo Harbour including the federal and provincial jurisdictions. He outlined the facilities at the port and how important it was to mainland terminals and global markets. He mentioned that the passenger ferry is still a viable prospect but in need of more financial backing. His talk was very interesting and lots of questions and answers followed.

## **Final Announcements:**

Oceanside Grandmothers 12th Annual Christmas Extravaganza – Nov 22 & 23 – Bayside Resort

Christmas Elf Program: Elf Trees located at Fairwinds Wellness & Golf Club, Nanoose Place, Nanoose Canada Post, St. Mary's Church, Jim's Gym, Springford Farm – pick a tag off the tree and return an unwrapped gift to the same location on or before Dec 10 – if sponsoring a family or senior contact Maureen Moore (250-468-5554 or maureenisalso@shaw.ca)

Elder College – new spring calendar available – speaker at Nanoose Place Community Centre on Sat Nov 16 regarding Earthquake Early Warning for BC

Tidesmen Xmas Concerts – Dec 13 in Nanaimo, Dec 14 in Parksville – Wayne Newport has tickets

Lyn King announced that kitchen duties for the next meetings in January and February are needing volunteers – sign up sheet on the table

Attendance today: 88 Members, 2 Guests, 1 Speaker

Next Management Meeting: January 9th at Ron Commander's house

Reminder: Please turn in your badges on the way out.

Adjourn: 11:10 am