

STUART ISLAND AIRWAY PARK OWNER'S ASSOCIATION

MAY ANNUAL MEETING MINUTES – MAY 30, 2021

The meeting was called to order at 11:00 a.m. by President Rhys Spoor, with a welcome message and flag salute. A large crowd was in attendance for our first annual meeting since May 2019.

The minutes of the September, 2020 board meeting were read and approved.

The Financial reports were read by Treasurer, Randy Thompson and approved. Reports can be accessed via the Stuart Island website.

Topics Discussed:

~Reid Harbor Ramp:

After much discussion on the logistics of cost, surveys, permits and time frame, it was voted that we should continue the process of replacing the ramp. The members voted to approve the next steps that include filing the county permit and commissioning the required archeology survey. Rhys will continue to communicate with the Stuart residents on the progress and costs involved.

~Fire Department/EMS:

San Juan County Fire Chief, Norvin Collins, Assistant Fire Chief, Nolen Munin and EMS Coordinator/Instructor, Karl Kuettzing talked at length about the successful annexation of Stuart Island into the County Fire District. With that annexation, the island has access to two UTV's that will be equipped with fire fighting equipment, back board and portable pump, which will be located on the island; Fire and First Aid/CPR training; and an outer island dedicated fire boat that will be located at Roche Harbor. Another benefit to the annexation is home owner fire insurance coverage. Contact the San Juan Fire Department or check the county website for documents for your fire insurance provider.

The fire district personnel are excited to include our community in the district and encourage owners to get involved in upcoming training opportunities:

- *First Aid/CPR class, June 26
- *Plans for another First Aid/CPR class in July, date to be determined
- *Plans for a Wilderness First Aid class this summer if enough interest

If you did not sign up for the June 26 class at the meeting or are interested in any other training classes, please contact Rhys Spoor at spoordds@msn.com

With the difficulty of locating the correct residence for an emergency call, Karl presented address sign posts that could be located at the road into each home for faster service. The sign posts are free to the residents, thanks to volunteer donations. If you did not pick up an order sheet with details and would like one, please contact Rhys.

~Roads/Runway:

The runway is in good shape. As a reminder to all, there are stop signs at the west and east ends, and in the middle crossing of the runway. For your own and the pilots' safety, please always stop and check to see if any planes are landing.

The roads need significant repair this year. The board approved purchasing 50 yards of gravel, and suggests we organize work parties to fill the potholes.

~Burn Pile:

The cost of burning the pile increased last year due to an unusually large accumulation of wood and brush. The board decided to continue to maintain a community burn pile, but to monitor the size to ensure safer burning. There was discussion of charging a fee for larger quantities of material, or other user fees. The size of the burn pile will be monitored this summer and may have to limit further additions until the pile is burned, which is typically after the burn ban lifts in October.

~Prevost Dock/Parking Area:

Dock: Summer is here and so are the boats, which means a crowded dock. Residents are encouraged to bow tie your boat and move big boats off the dock to the floats and buoys. Be good neighbors and allow everyone access to the dock.

Josh Massingale volunteered to coordinate removing and replacing rotten boards. If you are interested in helping, please contact him.

Parking Area: Residents are encouraged to move their vehicles to the back area of the lot if they are planning on being away for any length of time. The area nearer the head of the dock should be for vehicles that are parked for several hours, not days.

~Other Business:

There was a discussion on the new mooring buoy that is located in front of the Reid Harbor ramp. It could be a hazard to boats accessing the ramp. The owner and the board will try to find a solution to the placement.

The bushes at the west end of the runway need to be cut back. Steve Saunders and Rob Matson volunteered to do the job.

There were remembrances for Stuart Island residents who have passed away: Dave Clark, Bob Shane and Jim Andrews.

Two board members' terms are up this year. President Rhys Spoor was nominated to remain president for three more years. Kipp Carroll was nominated to remain a board member for three more years. Both were re-elected.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 1:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Danette Carroll, Secretary