



The Shire of Fjordland

Council Meeting Minutes for August 20th, 2018

Location: Harmony Hall, 686 Harmony Lane, Gibsons BC

Chair: Aurelia

Attendance: Sebastian, Anna, Fergus, Jocasta, Kerrigan, Taranis

Meeting opened at: 7:00 pm

APPROVAL OF PREVIOUS MEETING MINUTES

- Minutes from 16 July 2018
 - Distributed on 18 August 2018
 - Approved

OFFICER REPORTS:

Seneschal – Aurelia

- Current membership stats still show for April 2018 as 36, with 21 in Gibsons, 4 in Halfmoon Bay, 2 in Roberts Creek and 9 in Sechelt. April 2018 Tir Righ membership is 676.
- Office365 reminder – officers are reminded to please be using their official emails. I think our shire has done very well in adopting this new system.
- The SCA and the Kingdom of An Tir have issued a number of important announcements lately. Please see new business for details about each.
- The Kingdom website has been having issues lately. Please be patient while they work on fixes. If there is something you need from the site, such as forms, etc, please let me know and I can get copies sent to you.
- I would like to thank Kerrigan for his support and efforts to the Seneschal Office while I have been recovering and dealing with the ailing health of my parents.

Aurelia Saturnina (Debra MacWilliam)

Membership #222428. Expiry 31 October, 2020. End of Term of June 30, 2019.

Deputy Lord Fergus McCiaracan and Contingency Deputy Vicommes Kerrigan Na Traga.

Exchequer – Jocasta

Fjordland Exchequer Report August 2018

Prepared by Jocasta Sinclair (Debora Hives)

SCA membership # 185382 exp 9/30/2018

Term of Office July 2017-July 2019

Income Statement Year to Date as of August 18, 2018

Income	\$1689.10
Expenses	<u>924.51</u>
Net Income	\$764.59

Bank Balance as of Aug 18, 2018 \$4497.59

The Financial Committee met online on August 9 to discuss and approve the fees to remove and dispose of the bus from the Acorn Road site. All members agreed that Kerrigan would take care of this on behalf of the Shire.

Financial Policy revision is still on-going.

Yours in Service,

Jocasta Sinclair

Branch Marshal –Taranis (Johny Ellis)

Membership - #215971. Expiry - 31 October, 2020. End of term February, 2020.

Deputies: Armoured combat hall, Viscommes Kerrigan
Thrown Weapons, Lord Sebastian Solinae

A few items were donated to the Shire by some former members of Lions Gate. Some more usable than others. I propose we offer them to the members of the Shire to see if they can be used.

- Council agreed

Armoured Combat

Heat, smoke and age has resulted in fight practice being suspended until the weather changes or we move inside in September

- Make an announcement on Shire Facebook page
- Update Team Up calendar

Thrown Weapons

No TW Practices have occurred

Chronicler -Taranis (Johny Ellis)

Membership - #215971. Expiry - 31 October, 2020. End of term November, 2019.

I had a conversation with Aryan, the Web Deputy, regarding website correction list and posting of minutes on the website. He has been extremely busy with important family matters and is limited in time. We have agreed that he will teach me and Aurellia how to post and edit items on the website in order to keep the Site up to date.

Web Minister (Deputy to the Chronicler) - Aryan

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OUTSTANDING & ONGOING BUSINESS:

- Fjordland Customary - Aurelia
 - Need approval to be received from Principality and Kingdom
 - This has been acknowledged and is being looked at

- **Axe throwing at Persephone Brewing Company - Aurelia & Taranis**
 - Here is a summary of axe throwing nights:
 - May 23rd - initial night, throwing for staff, 8 adult participants
 - June 7th - 13 participants including 2 youths, \$26 collected
 - June 21th – 19 participants including 2 youths, \$39 collected
 - July 5th - 7 participants, \$15 collected
 - July 19th - 10 participants including 1 youth, \$20 collected
 - Aug 2nd - 33 participants including 7 youth, \$78 collected
 - Aug 16th - 26 participants including 5 youth, \$67 collected
 - Total funds collected to date \$245
 - August 30th looks to be the last weekday evening we can hold this activity as the sun will set shortly after 8pm
 - It can be proposed to Persephone's to continue the activity in the Fall on a Sunday afternoon depending on Persephone's schedule of events.
 - Council agreed to continue as long as the volunteers were able and the weather holds.

- **Acorn Road site – update – Aurelia**
 - The shire is reminded that since June 10th, the shire no longer holds any official activities on this site. As such, the SCA insurance policy no longer covers any activities on that site.
 - Ownership papers had finally appeared and have been provided to the shire. This shows the sale information that is required for the transfer to the wrecking yard.
 - The bus has now been removed from the site. It has been towed to the scrap yard for disposal. The shire wishes to extend a huge amount of gratitude to Kerrigan for his time and efforts in dealing with this task.

- **Fjordland Rising for 2019 - Aurelia & Kerrigan**
 - Event sites need to be booked a year in advance to ensure availability. For next meeting, have a list of places available for rental.
 - Information is still being collected on potential sites.
 - Discussion moved to next shire meeting

NEW BUSINESS

- **Rod & Gun Club Demo on August 25th – Kerrigan**
 - The Gun Club held a planning meeting and it was attended by Kerrigan and Sebastian
 - 4384 Parkway Drive in Sechelt (up Field Road in Wilson Creek)
 - Demo is from 10 to 2
 - Set up is at 9 am

- Planning discussions on what was needed and who would be there.
- Waivers are not required for this demo
- **July 16th - SCA Social Media Policy (Aurelia)**
 - The following is a summary of how the policy affects our shire:
 - We need a Social Media Officer (SMO) – this can be the Chronicler or a deputy. The SMO reports quarterly
 - For all social media outlets there must be at least 2 administrators. Each shall have equal administrative control
 - For official social media outlets on Facebook – we are encouraged to set our page to a “closed” group in order for the admins to have the ability to approve profiles into the groups. Official groups should never be secret. Any new official site/outlet must be approved by the Kingdom SMO.
 - Events & Calendar – activities, events and meetings are to be created through the official outlets not 3rd party presences. They are encouraged to be created on official pages. Always have the most official reference to the event on the Kingdom Calendar. For official events pages/outlets equal admin control must be given to the individuals in charge of the event. Order of announcements 1. Kingdom Calendar, 2. Branch official media including website, and 3. Social media
 - Disclaimers – all official site/outlets are required to use standard disclaimers. There are multiple ones to choose from.
 - Expectations of Conduct – participation in social media is voluntary and proactive. It is not required in order to receive official SCA announcements, policies or materials. Social media is an additional method of receiving and discussing those items. When participating on social media sites, everyone is expected to conduct themselves with courtesy, honesty and chivalry. Conduct deemed excessively insulting, belittling or exclusionary or generally unkind may be removed/unposted at the admins discretion. Repeated occurrences may result in removal (see enforcement). Any behaviour deemed deceptive, hateful or threatening, solicitous or illegal by admins is cause for immediate removal without warning. All participants using social media have a responsibility to report to admins. Conduct may be used as grounds for disciplinary actions up to and including revocation and denial of membership. Everyone is reminded to be responsible with what you post and be patient with others who post. Any social media site/outlet which purports to represent a branch/office or event from whom express permission has not been granted to create are not acceptable.
 - Enforcement – the Office of Social Media in conjunction with the Seneschal of the branch shall be responsible for enforcing the policy. Failure to follow policies may result in sanctions, removal from office or prevention from participating in official SCA social media outlets.
- **August 14th - An Tir: Equity, Diversity & Inclusivity (An Tir: EDI) Committee (Aurelia)**

- They welcome and encourage the participants in An Tir to provide commentary, questions and feedback regarding issues effecting An Tir and her People. Please email the committee at equityandinclusion@antir.org for more information.
- Reminder: reports of bullying, harassment or other inappropriate behaviour must be reported through the Seneschal chain starting with the branch Seneschal. The An Tir: EDI Committee is not the appropriate way to report a complaint.
- Contact with the Seneschal can be made via email to fjordland.seneschal@tirrigh.org.
- **August 8th - Updated Hate Speech Language (Aurelia)**
 - At the Board of Directors July 2018 meeting, the following addition to Corpora was approved and is to be considered effective immediately.
 - ***Corpora Article X, Grievances and Sanctions, A. General, Add Section 4: Hate Speech***
 - Hate speech is not tolerated in the Society. Hate speech is speech or symbols that offend, threaten, or insult individuals or groups, based on race, color, religion, national origin, sexual orientation, disability or other traits. Such symbols and speech have no essential part of any discussion of ideas and are of so little value to the Society that any benefit that may be derived from them is clearly outweighed by the harm caused. The use by any participant in the Society may result in possible sanctions up to and including revocation of membership and denial of participation. Please report any possible instances of hate speech to your Kingdom Seneschal, the Society Seneschal or the President of the SCA immediately. For more information about hate speech and the reporting of same, please refer to the Society Seneschal's Handbook. Corpora will be updated shortly. Comments are strongly encouraged and can be sent to:
SCA Inc.
Box 360789
Milpitas, CA 95036
You may also email comments@lists.sca.org
- **August 8th – SCA: Statement of Core Values, effective immediately (Aurelia)**
 - In pursuing its mission, the SCA is committed to excellence in its programs, communications and activities and to
 - · act in accordance with the chivalric virtues of honor and service;
 - · value and respect the worth and dignity of all individuals;
 - · practice inclusiveness and respect pluralism and diversity;
 - · promote a safe and respectful environment for all SCA events;
 - · act with transparency, fairness, integrity and honesty;
 - · be a responsible steward of SCA resources; and,
 - · be committed to maintaining the trust of its members and participants.

- It is the expectation of the SCA that its members and participants, in all events and activities of the SCA, will conduct themselves in accordance with these tenets.“
- **August 8th - SCA Updated Mission Statement (Aurelia)**
 - The Society for Creative Anachronism (SCA) is an international non-profit volunteer educational organization. SCA is devoted to the research and re-creation of pre-seventeenth century skills, arts, combat, and culture, focused on Western Europe and its cultural contacts, and employing knowledge of history to enrich the lives of participants through events, demonstrations, and other educational presentations and activities.
- **Branch Heraldry Badge (Aurelia)**
 - Fjordland does not currently have a populace badge
 - Seneschal to ask populace for submissions to be considered by council
- **Branch Council Meetings (Kerrigan)**
 - Currently the shire holds monthly council meetings
 - Kerrigan proposes holding a Council meeting every other month instead
 - The shire still has the hall rental and discussion resulted in holding Shire A&S, social nights or classes on those dates
 - Council decided to try out this new format and reevaluate in December
 - Any emergent Shire business can be emailed to the Seneschal at fjordland.senschal@tirrigh.org or posted to the Private Discussion Facebook page
 - A post will be made on Facebook and the Team Up calendar to notify everyone
 - Any A&S or social nights will need to be added to the Team Up calendar

NEXT MEETINGS:

Monday September 17th, 2018 7:00 pm Harmony Hall at 686 Harmony Lane in Gibsons

- A&S Night to be organised by Aurelia

Monday October 15th, 2018 7:00 pm at Harmony Hall at 686 Harmony Lane in Gibsons

- Shire Council Meeting

ADJOURNMENT: 8:29 pm