

Desert Cove Homeowners Association

President's Report

General Meeting September 27th, 2022

It has been my pleasure to serve the membership as president over this last year. We certainly had some challenges, but I'm pleased to say we have also had many successes.

My focus has been on:

- Building solid working relationships with the board, management, event coordinators and others.
- Considering ways to better communicate and engage DCHA membership in the decision-making process.
- Documenting and streamlining the DCHA board processes to create a more consistent and accountable way of doing business, now and in the future.
- And most important, striving to achieve the mission and goals of the DCHA

I would like to begin by recognizing the wonderful and hardworking team that I have the absolute honor to work with over this last year. I'm really sad to see some of our team retiring from the board this term.

I would also like to recognize all the volunteers that dedicate many hours, with never enough thanks, in making Desert Cove a better place to live for all of us.

The board, along with the event coordinators and management, did their best to understand, communicate and follow the guidelines as outlined by Provincial Health during COVID. We are very happy that is behind us, and we have been able to host quite a few new and fun events this year.

Due to a couple of years not being able to hold events and the number of new residents in the cove, we have discontinued the New Residents Yearly Welcome Event (for now). We will be looking at how we can welcome new residents in other ways. However, this year the board hosted our first Yearly Volunteer Recognition Event and are looking forward to building on it for next year.

Last fall, the DCHA took over the organization of the Flu clinic and had our best, most efficient clinic ever. We anticipate hosting another this fall (providing our supplier can accommodate us)

Behind the scenes, the board has been busy getting things in order:

- A new hall rental agreement.
- A review of most board roles for better distribution of workload and efficiency.
- DCHA email boxes which can be used now and with future board members to maintain consistency in information.
- The team has spent numerous hours cleaning and organizing the kitchen, storage rooms and old files.

Exciting news for all of us was the return of curbside recycling. The DCHA and DC Administration have worked with Recycle BC since early this year to get accepted in and to roll out this program.

Our Data Management Director has been working hard over the last year:

- With all the new residents, it's been an on-going task to keep the Residents Database updated.

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- This information is used to keep the Residents directory current, for communicating information to everyone, for New Residents Welcome visits, and creating ad hoc lists for events, ticket sales, General meetings etc...
- Tracy and I have spent many hours together redesigning and updating the DCHA website and setting up the ability to gather input from Residents, for example, voting on-line.
- Tracy has also been working on gathering and consolidating all the DCHA records to create an electronic master copy.

Unfortunately, we were unable to obtain the Yearly Fire Protection Report from the OKIB. We were assured it would be delivered, however, after reaching out numerous times and involving management, it is yet to arrive.

The Director reports will provide more specific details on the board's achievements over the last year and what is planned for the near future. We are looking forward to a full and active year ahead.

Thank you all for attending this Annual General Meeting. The DCHA belongs to you and your voice is important about all matters regarding the association. We also hope the information we are providing is of value.

Respectfully,

Marilyn Richardson

DCHA President