

Desert Cove Homeowner's Association

General Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, April 29, 2025 @ 7:00 p.m. at the Recreation Centre

1. **Call to Order and rules of conduct.** The Meeting was called to order at 7:02 pm
2. **Acceptance of On-line votes and Proxies received**
 - 2.1. # of online votes received 13
 - 2.2. # of advanced proxies 0
3. **Confirmation of GM attendees** (members in good standing) 66
Accompanying proxies 5
4. **Confirmation of Quorum** (5% of current members)

Members in Attendance (excluding Board)	59	Total Membership	678
Accompanying Proxies	5	Quorum X 5% (.05)	34
TOTAL	64	Quorum confirmed	Yes

5. **Motion to Accept the Agenda**

I move to accept the agenda as emailed April 8th, 2025

MOVED Diana Fortier

SECONDED Elaine Horsford

	For	Against	Abstain
On-line votes	12	0	1
Advanced Proxy	0	0	0
In attendance	66	0	0
Accompanying Proxies	5	0	0
TOTAL	83	0	1
MOTION CARRIED			

6. **Motion to Approve the Annual General Meeting Minutes of September 17, 2024**

I move to approve the Annual General Minutes of September 17, 2024 as emailed April 15th

MOVED Bruce Burwell

SECONDED Betty Lavigne

	For	Against	Abstain
On-line votes	12	0	1
Advanced Proxy	0	0	0
In attendance	65	0	1
Accompanying Proxies	5	0	0
TOTAL	82	0	2
MOTION CARRIED			

7. **Directors Reports** (Full reports can be viewed on the DCHA Website> DCHA Tab)

- 7.1. Chair and President: Marilyn Richardson
- 7.2. Vice President: Rhonda Van Lent
- 7.3. Treasurer: Cecile Zandbergen

7.3.1. Motion to Accept the DCHA Mid-Year Financial Report

I move to accept the Mid-Year Financials as emailed April 15, 2025

MOVED Gail Werschler **SECONDED** June MacGregor

	For	Against	Abstain
On-line votes	11	0	2
Advanced Proxy	0	0	0
In attendance	66	0	0
Accompanying Proxies	5	0	0
TOTAL	82	0	2
MOTION CARRIED			

- 7.4. Secretary: Linda Hill
- 7.5. Data Management Director: Tracy Cox
- 7.6. Welcome Director: Shaunie Wood
- 7.7. Social Director: Kathy Burwell
- 7.8. Recreation Director: Witold Wince
- 7.9. Directors at Large: John Bishop,
- 7.10. Director at Large: Monica McDonald

7.10.1. Diana Fortier spoke on behalf of the Emergency Response Team. The team is identifiable as they wear a bright yellow vest with an Emergency Response Logo and their First Name and Initial, on the lapel.

The team is currently at 5 members but need one more to make 3 teams of 2.

They provide both emotional and medical support during a call out. They can provide critical care before the EMTs arrive, which could be up to 20 minutes. Many times, they also provide other support. For example, they may look after pets if the resident is kept in hospital, attend to the house if stay is extended, and inform families of the incident.

8. Unfinished Business:

8.1. No old Business

9. New Business:

9.1. Proposal to change the DCHA Bylaws regarding membership.

Change: "If annual dues are outstanding for a period of two years, membership will be revoked"

I move to accept the change to the DCHA Bylaws.

MOVED Laurie French

SECONDED Doug MacGregor

	For	Against	Abstain
On-line votes	11	1	1
Advanced Proxy	0	0	0
In attendance	66	0	0
Accompanying Proxies	5	0	0
TOTAL	82	1	1
MOTION CARRIED			

9.2. Motion to amend a motion from the April 30th, 2024 General Meeting.

Amendment: “Payment of dues must be paid by August 31 to remain an active member”

I move to amend the April 30, 2024 Motion

MOVED Elaine Horsford

SECONDED Diana Fortier

	For	Against	Abstain
On-line votes	11	1	1
Advanced Proxy	0	0	0
In attendance	66	0	0
Accompanying Proxies	5	0	0
TOTAL	82	1	1
MOTION CARRIED			

Discussion: Non-Residents attending events:

- A concern was raised regarding non-residents regularly attending events within the Cove.
- Members were in general agreement that “guests” should be allowed to attend on occasion, and if a non-resident is offering a service (i.e.; running an exercise class, assisting with the sound system for jam session).
- It was also noted that non-residents as well as non-members are using DCHA assets without contributing to the cost of replacement or upkeep.
- Members were of the opinion that non-residents and non-members should not be attending or perhaps be charged a fee.

ACTION BOARD:

I move that the Board develop a proposed solution in regards to non-residents and non-members attending DCHA events, to be presented at the September AGM (if not before)

MOVED Laurie French

SECONDED June MacGregor

	For	Against	Abstain
In attendance	66	0	0
Accompanying Proxies	5	0	0
TOTAL	71	0	0
MOTION CARRIED			

9.3. Proposal to purchase a new sound system:

I move to accept the purchase and replacement of the sound system in the Recreation Centre, at an estimated cost of \$14,976.50.

10. MOVED Carol Todosichuk **SECONDED** Roy Warner

	For	Against	Abstain
On-line votes	12	0	1
Advanced Proxy	0	0	0
In attendance	65	0	1
Accompanying Proxies	5	0	0
TOTAL	82	0	2
MOTION CARRIED			

Discussion: Sound System

- **Q:** Does the DCHA have sufficient funds for this purchase? **A:** the DCHA currently has enough to cover the cost, however, continued fundraising is required to maintain a revenue reserve to cover 1 year of expenses.
- **Q:** Is Management responsible for some of the costs? **A:** This is a DCHA asset so Management is not responsible.
- **Q:** Could we make the cabinet ourselves? The cabinet to be purchased is uniquely built with the appropriate shelving and air flow to house sound equipment.
- **Q:** Will a training session take place? **A:** Yes, however the new system is designed to be user friendly, using a touch screen to make adjustments rather than manual adjustments.
- **Q:** Why is a mixer needed? **A:** A mixer enables a variety of applications (i.e.: multiple microphones, projector hook-up, speakers etc.).

ACTION BOARD:

- *Members were in agreement that DCHA events should be generating revenue. The sale of 50/50s and/or entrance fee/tickets.*

10.1. Results of Meeting with Desert Cove Management

A report was presented with the results of the meeting held in April 22, 2025 with members of the DCHA Board, Desert Cove Management, Administration and Maintenance. This meeting was to discuss progress of work initiatives and concerns brought forward by Residents. The full report can be viewed on the DCHA website under the DCHA Tab.

- Hall Tables – Have not stood up to scratches and gouges as expected. We are looking at ways to protect against further damage.

11. Adjournment: 9:05