WARREN’S NEW RIDE

Warren Hoselton, supervisor Toronto Island Parks, is very happy with his new “pure” electric-powered van! It can carry him, a passenger or two and materials all over the island for days before it needs to be recharged. Congrats Warren on your new ride!
Toronto Islands Residential Community Trust Corporation/
Toronto Island Community Association
Community Meeting
Thursday September 22, 2016
Algonquin Island Association Clubhouse

MINUTES

Attendees:
Trust Board of Directors: Lorraine Filyer (Chair); Susan Wang (Treasurer); Jim Adams; Heather Black; Cheryl DeGras

Regrets: Astero Patsali (Vice-Chair)

TICA Executive: Lorraine Filyer, Susan Roy, Anna Healey, Cheryl DeGras, Peter Freeman, Sarah Miller, Rebecca Quigley, Karen Rothfels

Guest: Roger Chaplin (Auditor)
Administrator: Amanda Street-Bishop

1. Welcome and Introductions

The chair welcomed community members to the meeting and introduced Trust board and TICA executive members in attendance, the Trust administrator and the auditor.

2. Approval of Agenda

The community approved the agenda as amended with the addition of a noise committee report.

MOVED by Rebecca Quigley, seconded by Fran Ford, that the community approve the agenda as amended. CARRIED

TRUST BUSINESS

3. Trust Motion: “That the community approve the Toronto Islands Residential Community Trust Corporation’s 2015/16 Audited Financial Statements”

4. Audit Presentation, Discussion and Vote

Auditor Roger Chaplin presented the independent auditor’s report and the audited financial statements and opened the floor for questions. Note nine referencing the Trust being named in a $1.3 million lawsuit was discussed briefly. The administrator reported that the Trust insurance company has informed the Trust that it will be let out of the action in the next couple of weeks with no impact to the Trust.

The chair explained the audit has already been approved by the Trust board, presented to the minister of the Ministry of Municipal Affairs as part of the Trust annual report and which will soon be posted on the website. Community approval is a formality and the important part of the process is that the community is informed about the Trust’s last year’s spending and members have an opportunity to ask questions. Therefore, although there is no quorum for the motion, a straw vote would be taken.

MOVED by Susan Wang, seconded by Sarah Miller, that the community approve the Toronto Islands Residential Community Trust Corporation’s 2015/16 audited financial statements. CARRIED (47 for, 1 against)

5. Administrator’s Report

The administrator gave a brief presentation on her activities since the last community meeting and thanked the community and the many volunteers for their assistance. The administrator provided copies of the time-tracking graph with phone/walk-in logs for June 2016 to the present.

6. Trust Discussion – Green Space Initiative, Next Steps

Jim Adams gave a brief background on the green space initiative and introduced Alice Norton of the Trust properties committee who gave a brief update on its progress. Letters were distributed to all neighbours of green spaces in early August requesting that all encroachments be removed by fiscal year end March 31, 2017. Those concerned attended a board meeting on September 15, 2016
where discussion focused on the nature and source of the complaints, concerns with the deadline and the forming of community groups to further the progress.

Concerns and suggestions were shared by community members which included insurance and liability, vision for the spaces and small group discussions to move the initiative forward. The properties committee agreed to meet in two weeks to review concerns and further steps.

TICA BUSINESS

7. TICA Financial Report

Peter Freeman, treasurer, presented the current financial statements. He noted: Shade Productions made a $500 site donation to TICA and a petty cash fund of $300 has been established to simplify small expenditures by the executive.

8. Call for Nominations for TICA Executive

Lorraine Filyer, TICA co-chair, noted the following members with one-year terms to complete on the TICA executive.

   Lorraine Filyer
   Susan Roy
   Karen Rothfels

The following current executive members were nominated for additional terms:

   Julia Oldenberg nominated Peter Freeman for an additional two-year term.
   Cheryl DeGras nominated Sarah Miller for an additional two--year term.

Current executive members Anna Healey, Cheryl DeGras, Dejan Ristic, and Rebecca Quigley will not be running again this year. Co-chair Lorraine Filyer thanked them for their valuable contributions to TICA.

The co-chair asked for nominations from the floor. The following new executive members were nominated:

Mary Middleton nominated Valerie Cook for a two-year term
Karen Rothfels nominated Peggy Sleeger for a two-year term
Lorraine Filyer nominated Tony Farebrother for a two-year term
Alison Woodroffe nominated Jesse Rosensweet for a two-year term.

No further nominations were presented.

As the executive requires a minimum of seven people to be appointed and there were no further nominations, the chair declared the nominations closed and those nominated appointed by acclamation.

9. Transportation Committee Report

Karen Rothfels gave a brief presentation from the transportation committee. Islanders have been asked for patience with regards to the unrolling of online ticketing and the volume of traffic with the switch to the fall schedule. James Dann and William White will be looking at the shoulder season schedules and hope to have additional services for next spring and fall.

Warren Hoselton is working on the issue of vehicles parked at the Ward’s Island ferry docks. An application form is being developed that all vehicle owners will be required to fill out before being allowed to leave their vehicles overnight. Alternative parking for city vehicles is also being discussed.

10. Noise Committee Report

Lynn Robinson gave a brief presentation from the noise committee. She noted that noise issues have decreased by a third over the past two years due in part to the online noise logs, which are an excellent way to notify the authorities.

A city-wide coalition of neighbourhood associations has been developed to deal with noise issues. The
coalition will be dealing with the proposed changes to the noise by-law. Also needed is legal representation for upcoming hearings involving Polson Pier. The noise committee will be looking at fundraising options to assist with the costs involved.

11. Closing Statement and Motion to Adjourn

The chair thanked all those in attendance, specifically noting Jacquey Malcolm for her work on the voting committee.

MOVED by Lorraine Filyer, seconded by Susan Roy, that the Toronto Islands Residential Community Trust Corporation/Toronto Island Community Association community meeting be adjourned. CARRIED

HAPPY HOLIDAYS

IN MEMORIAM

CAMILLA RUSKIN, nee Wallingford. Suddenly, on August 23, 2016. Beloved mother of Andrea Ruskin (Tyler Sponholz), devoted grandmother of Sophie and Jonathan Sponholz-Ruskin. Predeceased by her adored husband, and soulmate, Jeremy, with whom she shared all interests, passions, love of animals, literature and music. Survived by loving sister Dorothy Sinclair. A much loved aunt to Michael Sinclair, David Sinclair, Vicki Demorest (Ted), Michael Drew (Catherine) Jeremy Drew (Kate Witte). Loving great aunt to Sabine, Naomi, Joshua, Jeremy S., Matthew, Evelyn, Jeremy J., Jesse, Grayden and Max. Camilla was generous in all things, particularly with her love for family. Our gratitude to her friends on Toronto Island, for their help in recent years. She was highly respected by her colleagues at City of Toronto Social Services, for her 23 years of devoted and caring service to Toronto's vulnerable residents. She had a musical soul, loving heart and generous spirit.

TICA 4 TRUST
Administrator’s Report

We had a productive summer at the Trust office.

Our summer student, Jennifer Burns, was a great asset. She helped to clear out some old files from our storage closet – taking three boxes of shredding to the mainland. Don’t worry, nothing historic or important was destroyed. She also sent emails to all those on the purchasers’ list with their place on the list, updated the register and the motions database and prepared maps and letters to all the neighbours of the green spaces. She was a big help and will be missed.

We had a lot of visitors to the Trust office this summer, including 33 from the public. The summer brought out lots of interest in Island homes with 71 phone calls regarding the purchasers’ list and 133 emails.

When our third notices went out in late May, we collected almost $20,000 in overdue levies and interest. The 2016/17 levy was due September 30 – thank you goes out to the 206 leaseholders who have paid their levy or set up payment plans. Please remember when sending e-transfers that I don’t always know the name of your cat or your first grade teacher – don’t forget to send me your password. Second notices will be going out in early November.

I have been busy with the properties committee and the green space initiative – see the minutes on page three for more details.

The annual report was completed this summer and should be available on the website once the translation is complete.

In early June the provincial government released the Open Data Directive which outlines requirements for all provincial agencies on listing all data inventories, publishing open data and preparing information systems to support ongoing data requirements. What this really means is we had to develop a public list of lists. As per the requirements we posted our rather cumbersome Excel spreadsheet (we did not have any say on the format) on the Trust webpage before the July 28 deadline.

The new photocopier struggled a few times this summer due to the excessive humidity, but is working better now that the humidity has lessened.

We had some dead wood removed from trees around the Rectory and on one of the Fifth Street vacant lots. All work was completed by mid-October.

As you know, the auditor was in June and kept Gaye and I on our toes. It was a very smooth experience considering Roger Chaplin was new to the Trust. We were very happy with how things went.

Four houses have been inspected and appraised for various reasons over the last four months. Thanks to everyone for their patience with this process.

I will be taking a week off in November – the office will be closed at 1 p.m. on Friday, November 11, 2016 and reopen Wednesday, November 23, 2016. Sorry for any inconvenience this may cause. Please note the copier will be available during Rectory Café hours.

Thanks to all the usual suspects, the staff at the Rectory Café and, of course, Gaye Jackson, Elizabeth Roerick, Michaels Smith and Jones and John Jackman for their support and assistance so far this year. Happy Holidays!

Amanda Street-Bishop, Trust Administrator

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Transportation Committee Report

On October 19, TICA and transportation committee members attended a Toronto Island Advisory Committee meeting with Councillor McConnell, James Dann and William White. Among other items, the agenda included a discussion of proposed solutions to the overcrowding on the ferries during the shoulder seasons and an update on the vehicle tracking system being implemented at the docks.

Shoulder season scheduling
According to James Dann, some of the lack of responsiveness of the ferry docks to “unexpected” crowds or weather conditions is due to constraints on how staff schedules are planned. Staffing for the ferry season is set in February each year and under the terms of the current bargaining agreement, has no provision for part-time or on-call staffing. James gave a noncommittal answer when asked if there was a possibility this model could be changed in upcoming contracts.

Currently:
- Any time crowds merit it, captains can add extra runs or to switch to a load-and-go schedule without having to get clearance, as long as they have sufficient and willing crew.
- In cases where an extra ferry is scheduled, this requires overtime pay for crew (who must be

A northern saw-whet owl perches in a tree on Fourth Street. Thanks to Peter Newman for the tip and Peter Holt for the tripod assistance.

Sean Tamblyn, photographer

The Rectory Café

News from The Rectory Café!

Winter hours:
Wednesday to Sunday 11 am to 5 pm
Come and Try our new Winter Menu
For the 2017 season, ferry management is looking to expand service in the shoulder seasons (spring and fall), with the emphasis being on expanded service in the fall. The details for this are not finalized yet, but could involve some of the following:

- Changing the dates for the start/stop of the fall schedule.
- Eliminating belt lines.
- Changing the fall schedule (i.e. numbers and times of trips to Ward's and Centre).
- Adding an additional ferry.

Detailed discussion about the online ticketing system and the scanners was deferred as the leader of the IT team in charge of system improvements was unable to make the meeting. This will be back on the agenda for the next meeting.

Vehicle tracking
Ferry management, in conjunction with Warren Hoselton and City corporate security (in charge of the back gate), are working on implementing a new system for managing vehicles that come over to the Island. The aim is to reduce unnecessary vehicle load on the Island and to improve vehicle tracking at the ferry docks.

Anyone wishing to bring a vehicle over to the Island will be required to fill out an expanded application form indicating why the vehicle is required and the expected duration of the stay, as well as an Island contact address and phone number, where appropriate. Vehicles will then be issued a tag to be displayed in the window while on the Island. Tags will be issued for specific periods of time. Owners of vehicles with expired tags will be contacted by Warren with a warning after which, if the vehicle remains on the Island, it will be towed.

Parts of this system are already in place (tow trucks have been over to the Island on a couple of occasions in the summer and fall to remove vehicles with expired plates and those where owners have been warned), and will be fully implemented when the tags are ready. Anyone with a vehicle currently on the Island is encouraged to contact Warren for a copy of the application form.

Karen Rothfels for the Transportation Committee

Report from the TICA Executive

Your new TICA Executive for the coming year is:

Continuing members: Lorraine Filyer, Peter Freeman, Sarah Miller, Karen Rothfels and Susan Roy.

New members: Val Cook, Peggy Sleegers, Jesse Rosensweet.

Big thanks to the three newcomers for stepping up and also to Dejan Ristic, Rebecca Quigley, Cheryl DeGras and Anna Healy for the work you’ve done over the past few years.

The new executive gathered on Friday, October 28 to get set for the coming year. There was a wide-ranging discussion of the role of TICA both within the community and as a representative of the community with other organizations and with government. That’s an ongoing discussion and we’ll keep you posted about it.

The executive is working to get agendas, minutes and notifications of meetings online through the Island website and we’ll let you know when that is up and running. We are aiming for some time before the end of 2016!

The monthly meetings are open to all and we’ll be letting the community know the schedule of those meetings after the next executive meeting. If you have items you wish to have added to TICA’s agenda, please let any member of the executive know.

The transportation committee continued to work through the summer. If you attended the meeting on September 28, you got an update from Karen Rothfels about the work. Elsewhere in this newsletter there’s information about the current work of the committee.

That’s it for now.

Susan Roy for the TICA Executive
Ward’s Dock Renewal Initiative Report

Since July, the Ward’s Dock Renewal Initiative Committee has met frequently and made headway on a number of fronts. You can follow our progress on wardsdock.weebly.com, which is updated regularly. Here’s a summary of what we have achieved so far.

1. **Official partnership with Toronto Parks, Forestry & Recreation (PFR)**

   When we first met with PFR, they were unable to partner with us due to lack of staff. However, our persistence and support from other parks staff led to a formal partnership in September. This is an important and critical step, as it has given us official status with the City, allows us to apply for grants and gives us access to staff support in the partnership division.

2. **Support from other City staff and departments**

   **James Dann**, Manager of Waterfront Parks, has shown broad support and enthusiasm for our project. While the long-term renewal project will take many years and serious capital-budget planning with City Council, he is happy to work with our committee on the medium-term goal of restoring and renovating the waiting shed, including proper windows, insulation, heat and lighting. James has indicated he will find funding through his “small capital” budget, over which he has control, to get this project moving.

   **Warren Hoselton**, Supervisor of Toronto Island Park, is actively involved in our project and has already facilitated some simple but significant changes to the dock area. He is totally on board with the project, and willing to help where he can. To date he has:
   - Removed the unsafe bike canopies that were basically useless as shelters.
   - Removed the old, inefficient bike racks under the canopies and installed new bike racks to the east and west of the ferry slip.
   - Removed the non-functioning clock and pole, which had added to the visual chaos.
   - Arranged for the removal of a hodgepodge of sandwich boards (and relocation in the spring).
   - Removed the broken tire pump and replaced it with a bike repair station in a new location by the waiting shed (to be completed in November).
   - Improved and relocated directional signage.

   Warren is very keen to restore and possibly relocate the waiting shed.

   **Jo Ann Pynn**, Supervisor of Cultural Assets for the City of Toronto, was instrumental in getting the landing stage restored for the Ward’s Island Pebble Mosaic project, and is now very supportive of the Ward’s Dock project.

   The waiting shed is not officially designated as an historic building, but Jo Ann recognizes its historical value and is willing to provide some expertise in its restoration. Her department doesn’t have much budget money for this, but she will do what she can. An architect under her aegis who specializes in heritage buildings is scheduled to look at the building in early November.

   **Waterfront Toronto**, the agency formed to transform Toronto’s waterfront, is very interested in the Ward’s Dock Renewal. While we do not fall under this agency’s official jurisdiction, its interest can help advance our initiatives.

3. **Fundraising**

   Although James Dann is willing to provide some funds for the waiting shed restoration, the committee is seeking funding from other sources.
   - With our partnership with PFR now formalized, we have applied for two grants. One is for up to $20,000 from TD Bank’s Friends of the Environment and a second is for up to $15,000 from the Toronto Foundation as part of the Canada 150 grants. There is huge competition for this money so there’s no guarantee our applications will be successful. None of this funding can be used for...
infrastructure, but could be applied to new wayfinding and signage.

If you know of other funding opportunities, please let us know!

- We now have a donation page on the Toronto Parks and Trees Foundation website: www.tptf.ca. All donations through this portal will be held in trust for the restoration of the Waiting Shed. Tax receipts are provided for donations over $10. To date, donations total $700. To contribute, please find our project on http://www.torontoparks-andtrees.ca/Projects.aspx.

4. The committee is also working on the following:
   - A Core Values statement.
   - An expanded site plan, including tree identification, which will advance discussion of alternative circulation options.
   - Exploration of the possibility of a William Ward statue or commemorative art installation near the docks to honour the Ward heritage and its fascinating story.

Please visit the project website from time to time to see updates on the project: wardsdock.weebly.com.

When we have some concrete options to put on the table, we will invite you and all other stakeholders to gather to give your input. In the meantime, we welcome your ideas, suggestions and comments. Please send them to wardsdock@gmail.com.

Thank you for your interest in the Ward’s Dock Renewal Initiative.

Contact Mary Partridge at marypartridge@rogers.com or 416-203-9975.

The Ward’s Dock Renewal Initiative Committee

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PETER JOHN DEAN

1943-2016

A man who loved his family, the Island and wine in that order. Peter died from cancer on September 25, surrounded by his wife, Penny, and two daughters, Alison and Kate.

Some of you knew him from walking or running on the boardwalk and stopping to chat with him about a million different subjects that interested him – wine, of course – but also politics; baseball; art, particularly Haida carvers; science; mathematics; architecture; the American Civil War; detective novels, to name just a few.

Others knew him from the years of work on TIRA, or running the Home Guard with Peter Newman to ward off the sheriff, or his community planning sessions for the co-op development. Or his work in the founding of the Gibraltar Point Day Nursery. He was the assistant sub editor for over a decade of the Island Newsletter along with Lorraine Filyer as the editor.

He was smart, witty, even a little goofy at times. Children and animals were drawn to him for his gentleness and kindness. He will be missed.

The family thanks the community for their generosity during the time of his illness and the celebration of his life on September 9. He was one of a kind and friends and community members helped us all to remember that.
Toronto Island Advisory Committee

Just to jog your memories a bit, TIAC (as opposed to TICA) was set up at the request of City council as an advisory committee to: monitor, review decisions and make recommendations on Toronto Islands operations and programming, including but not limited to ferry services, park enhancement and events, protection of Islands natural environments, marine recreation and emergency response. The chair of the committee is our councillor, Pam McConnell; the current members of the committee are:

- two representatives from the Toronto Island Community Association (Lorraine Filyer [co-chair] and Susan Roy)
- one Island business or lease holder (Bill Beasley)
- one Waterfront BIA representative (Carolyn Jolly)
- one Waterfront Resident Association member (Ed Hore)
- one member of the Jack Layton Ferry Terminal Working group (Fran Ford)
- one Island School representative (Scott Woolford)
- one member of the recreational yacht user group (Don Connolly)

The meetings are public, as are the minutes, and anyone can attend. TICA is currently looking at a way of putting the minutes up on the Island website.

Since the last newsletter, the committee has met twice – in July and October. The July minutes are attached to this newsletter. The minutes from the October meeting are not yet available, but highlights include:

- Update on ferry design and procurement – the City is in the final stages of signing the design contract; still hoping for two ferries; hoping to keep the look of the historic vessels, but with modern efficiencies and large open decks for viewing access; public consultations will take place soon; will report to TIAC early in the new year.
- The Trillium is going to dry dock at the end of November; if the hull needs to be replaced the ship would have to be overhauled to comply with current marine regulations; it is very unlikely this will be done; there has been a great deal of lobbying to keep the historic ship for some purpose; the Trillium is not used very much in the summer to relieve pressure on the system as it is too slow to be effective.
- Management is still attempting to procure a second TTC bus for the airport shuttle in case ferry service is suspended this winter because of ice in the bay.
- Karen Rothfels attended the meeting as the chair of TICA’s transportation committee and has written a report of the discussion that can be found elsewhere in this newsletter.

Lorraine Filyer for TIAC

SOME FACTS ABOUT MPAC

Here’s some information about Municipal Property Assessment Corporation (MPAC) that you might find useful:

- MPAC is an independent, not-for-profit corporation funded by all Ontario municipalities, accountable to the province, municipalities and property taxpayers through its 15-member board of directors.
- MPAC assesses your house to determine property taxes. Go to the MPAC website (www.mpac.ca) to learn about the assessment criteria. MPAC is aware that Island homes are valued using a formula in the legislation and not sold at market value.
- If you have any questions or concerns about your recent MPAC assessment, please call Brian Gordon, account manager 647-484-1479. If you disagree with your assessment you can file a request for reconsideration. Go to https://www.aboutmyproperty.ca/property-assessment for more information.

Before coming to the Island for the recent round of assessments, MPAC sent a letter to the Trust so the Trust could inform Islanders its assessors would be in the community. The Trust confirmed MPAC’s knowledge of how Island homes are valued. Lorraine Filyer posted MPAC’s letter to the Trust to myneighbours on September 1, 2016.

Susan Roy for the TICA Executive
Minutes

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<td>A discussion of how to post the minutes publicly resulted in a recommendation to use the TICA website, among other distribution resources.</td>
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<td>Gibraltar Point Erosion</td>
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<td>Ethan Greisbach, Project Manager – Toronto and Region Conservation Authority</td>
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<td>• Erosion around Gibraltar Point has been noted for decades. There is limited sand replenishment on the Islands due to changes to landforms and waterways around the harbour.</td>
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<td>• Lack of funding and confirming local sand sources have delayed implementation until now</td>
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<td>Jane Weninger, Senior Planner, City Planning Policy</td>
<td>Ed Hore – Liaise with Parks Warren Hoselton to coordinate clean-up opportunities.</td>
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<td>• Environmentally Significant Areas (ESAs) are natural spaces within Toronto’s natural heritage system that require special protection to preserve their environmentally significant qualities.</td>
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<td>• A 2009-2012 City study recommended 68 new ESAs and expanded the boundaries of 14 of the 18 existing ESAs.</td>
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<td>• 4 Toronto Island ESAs were expanded – Centre Island, Hanlan’s Snake Island, Ward’s Island.</td>
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<td>• A copy of the presentation is available as an attachment – outlining the significance of each of the Island ESAs.</td>
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|    | • ESAs are not publically posted due to wanting to avoid large amounts of traffic seeking sensitive species or areas.  
• ESAs are protected under the Official Plan and City areas are under management plans to protect and maintain their unique environmental qualities.  
• Examples – dune restoration at Hanlan’s Beach, beach remediation at all Island ESAs.  
• Public education activities and targeted tours with schools are a part of preservation strategy.  
• Stewardship opportunities such as clean ups and landscape improvements are also organized.  
• City website has more detail: [http://www1.toronto.ca/wps/portal/contentonly?vgnextoid=68fd811f23248410VgnVCM10000071d60f89RCRD](http://www1.toronto.ca/wps/portal/contentonly?vgnextoid=68fd811f23248410VgnVCM10000071d60f89RCRD)  
• **Ed Hore:** Recreational kayakers are able to access areas collecting garbage and could assist with clean-ups. Coordination with Parks staff needed to organize.  
• **Lorraine F:** Suggested public workshop or tours on the Islands could help to educate residents and others on ESAs. Janette Harvey could assist. | |

5. **Discussion of Migratory Bird Sanctuary Designation**  
**Janette Harvey, Natural Environments, PF&R**

• A Migratory Bird Sanctuary (MBS) is designation under Federal legislation.  
• There are 92 MBS in Canada and 8 in Ontario.  
• MBS designation based on absolute scientific criteria. It cannot be lobbied.  
• Last MBS approved in 1998.  
• MBS provide safe land refuge for migratory birds.  
• The designation provides protection to birds using the lands and can place restrictions on land use.  
• **Ed H:** Can we help trigger a study for Islands?  
• **Jeanette H:** Consulted with staff and determined none meet the minimum requirements for any migrant bird populations. Leslie Spit, representing a 6% of a certain migratory population, only has an Important Bird Area which only directs study and monitoring. A Bird Flyway Area may be possible, but that provides only educational background and no special protections.

6. **Update on Ferry Design and Procurement**  
**Tom Davidson**

• RFP for naval architect has closed.  
• City staff technical team is reviewing bids.  
• Consultant expected on board and contract signed in September.  
• RFP based on basic criteria- 1,500 passengers. Can transport vehicles. Further design TBD.  
• Consultation on design will begin in fall. The consultation plan will be discussed with TIAC.  
• Design is expected to take several months. Construction is expected to take a year.  

**Parks staff** – will discuss implications of Trillium drydocking on ferry service
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|      | • First new ferry expected to be operational in spring 2019.  
|      | • Staff considering securing two new ferries at the outset.  
|      | • A member of the public noted: The Trillium will go out of service in December. How will service be maintained while the new ferries are built? (Staff will need to report at the next meeting).  
|      | • A member of the public noted: Water taxi businesses take people to the Islands who can then use ferry for free. A discussion of Water Taxi protocols was planned for the next meeting. |        |
| 7.   | **Update on Jack Layton Ferry Terminal Master Plan and Phase I Program**  
|      | **Tom Davidson**  
|      | • Funding for Phase I has been identified and will be approved in the 2017 City budget.  
|      | • Implementation will take place in 2017.  
|      | • Phase I includes construction of a gateway feature at Queens Quay and Bay Street, the promenade from Queens Quay to the Jack Layton Ferry Terminal facility, and children’s play features.  
|      | • Consultation on the plans will be held with the public and the Jack Layton Ferry Terminal Working Group. |        |
| 8.   | **Update on Cultural Heritage Landscape designation**  
|      | **Tom Davidson and Pam Mazza**  
|      | • A meeting was held on July 6 with the CHL subcommittee, City Sstaff, and Tom Davidson to review possible designation of Toronto Islands as a CHL  
|      | • Mary McDonald, Manager Preservation Services, Tamara Anson-Cartwright, Program Manager for Heritage Conservation Policy, Lynda McDonald, Manager of Community Planning, and Cheryl MacDonald, Manager, Parks Policy Planning attended.  
|      | • A discussion of the policy framework of CHLs took place  
|      | • A municipality may create policy for CHLs, which are landscapes that have been altered by humans and are culturally significant.  
|      | • CHLs may have protections for land use and alteration of built form  
|      | • A Heritage Conservation District is a type of CHL, and after discussions in 2003 was not considered appropriate for the Islands.  
|      | • ERA produced a report recommending a CHL as a balanced approach to protect distinctive characteristics of the Islands.  
|      | • City of Toronto has no current CHL policy framework. Staff are moving to create a workplan to develop this policy, but are only at the start of a long process.  
|      | • Staff believe the Islands are an appropriate first case study for a CHL due to its significance and as a publically owned property.  
|      | • However, CHL policy will not address many of the day to day operational issues that were raised in the meeting. It will also take up to several years to develop the policy and specific recommendations for the Islands.  
|      | • It was suggested that Heritage Preservation Services staff should be a part of the technical advisory team for the Toronto Islands Master Plan.  
|      | • The Master Plan will proposed improvements to Island infrastructure and use, and City staff can apply a Heritage lens to any recommendations.  
<p>|      | • The subcommittee accepted the recommendation that the Master Plan |        |</p>
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|     | process be used to address concerns about sustainable use of the Island, with a heritage lens.  
  - The HCL workplan will continue to be developed and TIAC will be consulted on its progress. | |
| 9. | Follow up on additional TTC bus for Alternative ferry service | Parks staff and Councillor office to follow up on resolution |
| Tom Davidson- |  
  - The TTC has not agreed to a maintenance plan for a second bus in the case of alternative service.  
  - Parks staff and the Councillor’s office will continue to pursue a resolution. | |
| 10. | Outline of Master Planning process for Toronto Islands | |
| Tom Davidson |  
  - A Master Plan of assets and amenities on the Islands will inform development of future improvements and capital projects.  
  - Funding will be approved in the 2017 Capital budget.  
  - $75,000 in 2017 and $150,000 in 2018.  
  - Funding is split over that time to allow consultants to be procured (estimated 5 months after budget approval in January 2017) and extensive public consultation.  
  - City staff divisions from Parks, City Planning, Heritage Preservation Services and others will all be involved in a technical advisory team to the process. | |
| 11. | Outline of issues related to vehicular parking and tracking | Parks staff to update on results at next meeting |
| Lorraine Filyer |  
  - Parks and Ferry staff are coordinating a vehicle control strategy  
  - Warren Hoselton advised- As of September 1 security on the city side will issue a pass to vehicle users that must be presented on return.  
  - Additional days spent on the Island will result in increased charges.  
  - The strategy will continue to be refined. | |
| 12. | Next Meeting | Tom to schedule and book staff |
| | A meeting will be held in early fall. | |
### Environmentally Sensitive Areas (ESAs) on the Toronto Islands

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