

**Birch Bay Chamber of Commerce Special Member Meeting**  
**Tuesday, October 27th, 2020 @ 5:30pm VIA ZOOM**

**Vanessa:** We are meeting via zoom to vote on a proposed amendment that would change the Birch Bay Chamber by-laws.

**Roll Call:**

**Vanessa Bell** – President  
**Liz Thornton** – Executive Director  
**Doralee Booth** – Secretary & Treasurer  
**Iain Buchannan** – Member  
**Nancy Stall** – Business Member  
**Tanya Wall** – Associate Member  
**Molly Ernst** – Business Member  
**Danielle Gaughen** – Event Coordinator  
**Kathy Berg** – Community Member (Previous Chamber President)

**Vanessa Bell: The Proposed amendment: The Board of Directors shall consist of at least 5 members of the BBCC in good standing. Their term of office shall be 2 years, with 3 Directors elected one year and two Directors elected the next year. When there are three or more candidates a plurality shall elect. Directors may succeed themselves. At least three Directors shall be Business Members and at least two may be Associate Members.**

**Discussion:**

The attendees of the meeting discussed the proposed amendment change. Those in favor stated several reasons why this change would benefit the Birch Bay Chamber of Commerce.

*Those reasons include:*

- It is hard to maintain nine directors in a small community.
- Five board members seems to be a number consistent on other board of directors that the members are familiar with (HOA's, Parks Department etc).
- It is more effective for the community, and better decisions can be made more quickly.
- Creates more consistency.
- It was clarified that more board members could be added later, but this would be the minimum going forward.

**Vanessa Bell:** Brought the amendment to a vote, vote was a unanimous YEY.

**Vanessa: The proposed amendment to the by-laws passes unanimously.**

Meeting adjourned.