

Lighthouse Committee Minutes

January 29, 2026

Attendance: Ed Bacon, Catherine Demchur-Merry, Ken Smith, Yvette Reid, and via Zoom Jim Mitchell and Rachel Rolerson-Smith

The minutes of the meeting on December 18, 2025 were approved.

Yvette gave a report on the donations received from the November 2025 appeal letter. As of January 22nd we have received \$16,910 in checks, and \$3,244.53 through Square using the QR code, for a grand total of \$20,154.53. This money will only be used to protect and preserve the foundation of the tower.

A review of the Bylaws shows that to be a member of the committee a person must be an island resident, with no distinction between a year-round or summer resident. Knowing this clarification, we can proceed to ask Doug Carmichel to become a member of the committee. The definition of a quorum was changed to: a majority of the membership shall constitute a quorum.

The damaged windows and exterior door from the January 2024 storm have been replaced or repaired. Ken is working on restoring the museum windows, and touch-up paint on the boathouse windows should be done. The museum needs an outside electrical outlet for the Christmas decorations. An exit sign for the rear door of the tower is also needed. Catherine is designing a new stamp for the passport books and will research the cost of interpretive panels for the lantern room. A decision on a 2027 lighthouse calendar will be made at the next meeting.

Ken will obtain an estimate from Frank Borzoni to return the boat house to its foundation. Once we have the estimated cost we can file the claim with the insurance company. Due to the the high

winds this winter, Ken has been tightening the chains from the boat house to the jersey barriers.

Ed will request a detailed financial report from Brian Bohanon to determine our finances to create next year's budget.

Ashley Rossiter is considering becoming a member of the committee. Ed asked Catherine to fill the position of Vice Chair, and she said she would think about it.

The next meeting will be Thursday, February 26th at 4:00 p.m. In the Town Office Conference Room.

Respectfully Submitted,
Yvette L. Reid