



Greater Victoria Harbour Authority appoints new board members for 2017 - 2019

January 19, 2017, Victoria, BC – The Greater Victoria Harbour Authority has appointed five members to its Board of Directors for the 2017 – 2019 term: City of Victoria councillor Margaret Lucas, Black Ball Ferry Line president Ryan Burles, representing the Victoria Esquimalt Harbour Society, District of Saanich councillor Susan Brice, representing the Capital Region District, and Christine Willow of Chemistry Consulting, representing the Greater Victoria Chamber of Commerce. Board Chair Dave Cowen, representing Tourism Victoria, has been appointed for a second three-year term.

The GVHA Board represents eight member agencies, Songhees Nation, Esquimalt Nation, the Capital Region District, Tourism Victoria, The Chamber, the Victoria and Esquimalt Harbour Society, City of Victoria, and Township of Esquimalt, and includes four independent directors appointed from the community at large. Member agencies nominate qualified directors for up to three consecutive three-year terms, and the Board guides and oversees the affairs of GVHA.

The 2017 – 2018 GVHA Board of Directors

- Chair - Dave Cowen, Tourism Victoria
- Vice-Chair - Chief Andy Thomas, Esquimalt Nation
- Secretary - Starr McMichael, Independent Director
- Treasurer - Doug Crowder, Independent Director
- Susan Brice, Capital Regional District
- Christina Clarke, Songhees Nation
- Councillor Margaret Lucas, City of Victoria
- David Schinbein, Township of Esquimalt
- Christine Willow, Greater Victoria Chamber of Commerce
- Nick Banks, Victoria / Esquimalt Harbour Society
- Ryan Burles, Victoria / Esquimalt Harbour Society
- Mark Mawhinney, Independent Director
- Gordon Tweddell, Independent Director

Detailed Board profiles can be found at gvha.ca .

About Greater Victoria Harbour Authority

Greater Victoria Harbour Authority (GVHA) is a not-for-profit organization governed by a local Board of Directors. It owns and operates deep water, marina and upland holdings throughout Victoria's harbour including the large vessel Ogden Point port facility where a dynamic cruise tourism industry contributes over \$100 million annually to the regional economy; Victoria's renowned Fisherman's Wharf float home community and small business hub; and the Inner Harbour's luxury yacht and marine tourism facility at Ship Point. GVHA's vision is a harbour where people live, learn, work and play; a spectacular gateway into Victoria's past and into its future, monumental in look and feel, linking communities and all people together. www.gvha.ca

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