

Kimberley Nature Park Society
Monthly Meeting Minutes
January 25, 2018

Present: Kent Goodwin (Chair), Naomi Hummeny (Vice President), Rob McInnis (acting Secretary), Suzanne McAllister (Treasurer), Paul Paronetto, Lou Bedard, Cliff Erven, Val Carey, Gary Hicks, Mike Whitney, Kim Wiltshire, Mike Stechyshyn, Chris Ferguson, Nigel Kitto, Frank O'Grady, John Henly, Rod Chapman.

Call to Order at 1900 hours at McKim Library.

1. Introductions and Confirm Agenda

Moved: Gary Hicks / Rod Chapman. **Carried**

2. Minutes of Last Meeting

Printed copies were circulated. Moved to accept: Cliff Erven / Rob McInnis. Under Item 6. Business Cards – Frank changed to Cliff. **Carried.**

3. Delegations

None

4. Correspondence

None

5. Financial Report

Discussed. Report included an unexpected donation of over \$600.00 from The Community Forest Society. Moved to Accept: Suzanne / Lou. **Carried.** Further motion: "To use a portion of the unrestricted funds to cover the Webpage and Video project shortfall. Suzanne / John. **Carried.**

6. Unfinished Business

Create a KNPS Archive (Rod) – Discussion: Paper documents and photos would be scanned to a hard drive then be resident at the library. Cost, potential grants, and securing a skilled person to assist discussed.

Action Item - (Rod/Kent) to explore further, to apply for a CBT Grant, members to report to the February meeting with any further thoughts and a tally of any items to be archived.

Swan Avenue Gate Repair (Nigel) – to be included in the city budget.

Slope Stabilization Project (Nigel) – Entirely paid by Overwaitea. A small amount of additional work to be completed in the spring.

7. Committee Reports

Trail Guide (Val) – Few sales due time of year, \$40 collected.

New Edition of the guides discussed. Current issue will run out this season. New Trails to be added. Discussion re potential changes and improvements. Consensus not to include the Round The Mountain Trail. Consensus to tone down the contour lines. Kiosks will be inspected in spring for condition, improvement. A motion for a smaller map was defeated. Consensus to come to next meeting with a more detailed plan, to consider a waterproof map, to move forward with a budget when project is more defined. Thanks to Cliff, Rod, and Frank for their efforts. More volunteers would be welcomed.

Membership (Gary) – Increase of 11 for a total of 340 (179 lifetime). 49 have signed up for the mailing list.

Natural History (Kent) – Discussion re Eimer’s Lake algae bloom. Consensus collected data to be gathered and presented to the Ministry for further action if any.

Trails (Chris) – Kimberley Trails Society (KTS) has presented a budget to the city for a “Trails Manager” who would also work with the KNPS. KNPS supports the proposal.

KNPS tools to be moved to the shed at the Nordic Ski Centre.

No Dumping Sign for Jimmy Russel Rd entrance obtained from the city through Nigel.

Blog - An appeal for more blog posts.

Horse Barn Valley (John) – volunteer report submitted and discussed. Please make a note of any volunteer work and provide any ideas for the work plan.

Events (Nigel) – BC 55 + Games considering a September mountain bike race.

A discussion with KTS concerning flexibility of event approval was reported. Written proposal required.

Grant Writing – Trail Guide and kiosk grant applications discussed.

Interface Fire/Pine Beetle/Restoration – Some work being done in Forest Crown. Work will continue in spring.

Webpage/Video Project – final accounting complete.

8. **New Business**

Consensus to approve showing the KNPS video at the Dirt Bag Festival.

9. **Interesting Sightings**

Lots of snowshoe hare tracks sighted in the park.

10. **Next Meeting** – February 22, 2018.