



Kimberley Nature Park Society
Minutes of the KNPS Annual General Meeting for 2025
December 11, 2025 | 7pm | Kimberley Elks Hall

BUSINESS MEETING

1. Call to Order
 - Meeting called to order at 7:10 pm by President John Henly
2. Confirm a Quorum
 - 10% of membership or five voting members for general meetings; about 45 members in attendance
 - Quorum confirmed
3. Confirm Agenda
 - Agenda confirmed; presented on screen, also available on all tables
4. Approval of Agenda
 - Jean Terleske motion; Laura Duncan second
 - Motion carried
5. Approval of 23 January 2025 AGM Minutes (for Year 2024)
 - Motion Andree Powers; second Sharon Moorcroft
 - Motion carried
6. Approval of 2025 Financial Statement
 - Andree Powers displayed financial data on screen and gave an overview
 - Motion Laura Duncan; second Dave Hale
 - Motion carried
7. Information on Electorate and Election of new Directors
 - John Henly stepping down as president; Jessica Harvey taking over; Jenn McConnachie had already stepped down as VP; Eva Boehringer taking over
 - Continuing as directors are Andree Powers, Tim Chapman, Dave Hale, John Henly, Sharon Moorcroft, Hasi Muhandiram
 - Schaun Goodeve as new director, nominated by Maurice Frits
 - Motion Jessica Harvey; second Andree Powers
 - Motion carried
8. Executive Report for 2025
 - KNPS has strategic plan that is being followed; four main goals with associated activities
 - 2024 had consultant that helped set priorities; now acting on these priorities
 - John presented the four goals
 - Goal 1: Clear and Transparent Governance Structure
 - CBT awarded cost-share grant for governance consultant (80% CBT, 20% society funding)
 - Completed governance docs: code of conduct, consent of directors
 - In progress: functional roles, executive/finance/governance committee roles and terms of

- reference
 - Approved governance documents will be posted on website for public transparency
- Goal 2: Park Management and Environmental Conservation
 - KNPS Strategic Plan is on website
 - Updated management plan has now been approved by City and Province through BC Lands
 - Eva gave an update on the pika project in Horsebarn Valley that was started by Struan Robinson in 2020
 - College of the Rockies (COTR) ecology students counted hay piles this year; hopefully this will be a continuing collaboration with COTR going forward
 - Potential for collaboration with genetics professor at UBCO to study pika population
 - Ecosystem Assessment project was awarded to Keefer Ecological Ltd., who is helping us apply for grants to fund the Stage 1 work
 - Invasive species assessment planned for 2026 in collaboration with EKISC if funding can be obtained
- Goal 3: Community Understanding and Conservation Support
 - Maurice Fritz appointed community engagement coordinator to boost membership and communicate conservation mission
 - John presented the different natural history projects that happened in the Park in the last year
 - Guided walks, calypso counts, landscape photography, wildlife cameras, trail counters, McKim school project
 - Ten guided outings, including Solstice Walk (upcoming)
 - Calypso Orchid Count – 20 counters
 - Landscape Photo Project – 12 sites
 - Wildlife Cameras — six locations
 - Wildside Youth Climate Corps completed fuel treatment project across ~55 hectares with Tim Chapman coordinating
 - Memorandum of Understanding draft in progress with Kimberley Trail Society, continuing development in 2026
 - College of the Rockies partnership built through pika project and international student engagement
 - Fundraising included Trail Guide sales: 230 sold
Riverside Campground – 90; Purcell Outdoor – 47; Tourism Kimberley – 42; Timberhitch – 26; Black Dog – 10; High Country – 9; Home Hardware – 6
- Goal 4: Enhance Capacity to Protect and Steward Park
 - Interface fire: collaborating with the City and Fire Department for prescription planning, implementation, and monitoring
 - HBV boardwalk replacement: 250 person hours, 10 volunteers, RecSites BC and CBT grants
 - Firewood program: 10 truckloads of fuel taken out; 22 volunteers; 78 volunteer hours

9. Motion to Adjourn

- Motion Jean Terleske; second Naomi Humenny
- Motion carried