ETCHER CREEK IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT



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Annual General Meeting

January 18, 2025, 2:00 p.m. St. Andrew's United Church Kaslo

MINUTES

- 1. Call to order at 2:15 p.m. In Attendance: Karen Bergen, Dale Bysouth (guest), John Command, Robert Cunliffe, Shannon Dahl, Graham Gilbert, Thomas Gross, Brad Hartland, Heather Kelly, Neil Kelly, Barbara Lawrence, Melinda McKie, Barbara Neelands, Donna (guest), Warren Pashkowich, Laurie Rutherford, Steve Scott, Diane Schreiber, Jorg Schreiber, Eileen Teng, Craig Tucker, Margaret Wanke, Richard Wlosek, Val Woodmass, Donna Butt (CO)
- 2. Trustee's Report presented by N Kelly as it appeared in the AGM Information Package
- **3. Presentation of 2024 Annual Financial Statements –** Motion to accept the 2024 Annual Financial Statements as presented. G. Gilbert/D. Schreiber. Carried.
- **4. Bylaw 80 Indemnification of Trustees** The Ministry of Housing and Municipal Affairs has requested that the sentence "This provision shall have effect commencing on the date of incorporation of the improvement district" be removed from item 2b. Bylaw 80 will be resubmitted to the government with the requested change.
- 5. Bylaw 81 Water Distribution Regulation (repeals bylaw 36) The edits to the repealed Bylaw 36 were explained to the members. There was a question about insurance to cover liability. None of the insurance quotes will cover the use of ground water due to contamination. W. Pashkowich explained the difference between general liability insurance and Directors and Officers Insurance. The government has some questions about the undertaking to get a legal opinion as per 2024 AGM Minutes. N. Kelly will answer the government's questions before FCID resubmits the bylaw. Survey proposed: FCID will resubmit Bylaw 81 to the Ministry of Housing and Municipal Affairs. N. Kelly/ D. Schreiber. 14 for/1 opposed. Carried.
- **6. Volunteers Participation in Special Projects** Workers Compensation doesn't cover volunteers. Other options include buying insurance or volunteers to sign a waiver. The Finance Committee will sort out the options and make a recommendation.
- 7. Decision about Trustees' Honorarium
 - a) Current level:
 - Chair receives a \$500/year honorarium
 - Trustees receive a \$250/year honorarium
 - b) Motion: to keep Trustee honorariums at the current level. G. Gilbert/R. Cunliffe . Carried.
- **8.** Presentation of proposed 2025 Budget Proposal N. Kelly explained how the budget is calculated, starting with The Special Projects.

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	disconnects. N. Kelly/J. Schreiber. Carried.
9	Correspondence a) Reply from Municipal Affairs re: Bylaw 80 & 81- reviewed at the AGM b) Email from S. Scott Re: Trustee Election at AGM- fully reviewed at AGM
10	Next Meeting – Tuesday, March 4, 2025 at 7:00 p.m.
11	Adjournment – 4:02 p.m. N. Kelly/J. Schreiber.

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Order - 3 (3 p.m. In Attendance: John Command, Neil Kelly, Barbac Nee (and S)	call to
Donna Butt, Corporate Office Command Loan Command Chair	
val of Agenda – Motion: to accept the Agenda, N. Kelly/ J. Command. Carried.	
Bylaw 80, passed by The Board of Trustees on Dec. 10, 2024 has been reread with change and passed by The Board on Jan. 18, 2025. Motion: Bylaw 80 will be resubmitted to The Ministry of Housing and Municipal Affairs for registration with the Inspector. Bylaw 81 Update (repeals Bylaw 36) — Ministry of Municipal Affairs had questions around some incomplete action items from 2024 AGM. ACTION: N. Kelly to write to Mr. Kennedy from Ministry of Housing and Municipal Affairs to answer questions and information of the results of the vote today to accept changes to Bylaw 36. N. Kelly, as a Trustee, will continue to handle communications with the government. Code of Ethics Update — B. Neelands and W. Pashkowich will present at the March rustee Meeting.	
Oaths of Office - 8. Neelands signed an Oath of Office	

al Maintenance System Report - none

 Purchasing Policy Update – ACTION: D Butt to email J. Command the Purchasing policy to sign.

c) Volunteer Liability Waiver/ Insurance Update — tabled to March Trustee Meeting for