

SLOCAN LAKE STEWARDSHIP SOCIETY BOARD MEETING

Sept 30, 2015, Zion United Church, Silverton, BC.

1. CALL TO ORDER: 6:40 PM.

In attendance: Bruce Cottingham, Sally Hammond, Therese DesCamp, Margaret Hartley, Ellen Kinsel, Ann Meidinger, Bob Fuhrer.

Absent:

2. ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

Moved: Sally, *“that the agenda for July 2015 be adopted and followed herein”*.

Seconded: Ellen. **Carried.**

3. DELEGATION: None.

4. OPERATIONS

4:1 Review and approval of Minutes:

Moved: Sally, *“that the minutes from Sept 1, 2015 be accepted as amended.”*

Seconded: Ellen. **Carried.**

4:2 Business arising from the Minutes: None.

4:3 Correspondence:

Requests for letters of support:

- For a regional food council – originally from Abra Brynne (BC Food Systems Network) and Tara Stark (ad hoc committee of Interior Health), forwarded to us by Leah Main (Village of Silverton). SLSS board decided that issue was not within SLSS mandate.
- For “Statement of Expectations for Water Sustainability Act” – requests to sign on from each of Canadian and BC Freshwater Alliance. Request will be put onto next month’s agenda, giving board members chance to read document.

Donation from Kay Gerard and Dan Donaldson to Lane Haywood Fund. Thank you note will be sent.

Motions previously voted on by e-mail by a majority of the SLSS Board and carried:

1. “That SLSS pay from its Operations Account the Kootenay Insurance Services Invoice #111748 for \$535.00 for Commercial Liability insurance for the 2015-2016 policy year ending August 22, 2016.”
2. “That a letter of support for the Rosebery to Summit Lake Rail Trail management plan proposal be sent to the Rosebery-Summit Lake Rail Trail Steering Committee.”

Moved: Ellen, *“that the above two motions are hereby ratified and recorded in the minutes at a meeting of the Directors held September 30, 2015.”* **Seconded:** Margaret. **Carried.**

4:4 Financial Report and related motions:

Moved: Ann, *“that the October 1, 2015 Financial Statement be accepted by the Board”*. **Seconded:** Therese. **Carried.**

4:5 Website update and current issues:

The SLSS website is now hosted by Secure By Design.

4:6 New Business/Other: Initial AGM Planning. AGM will be Sunday November 15. Margaret will place ad in Valley Voice and reserve Knox Hall.

5 SCIENCE AND WATERSHED ENHANCEMENT PROJECTS

5:1 Slocan Watershed Assessment and Monitoring Project (SWAMP) update:

Next meeting of SWAMP will look at future directions.

5:2 Silverton Creek WQMP (Water Quality Monitoring Project):

- Last creek monitoring will be in October.
- CABIN (Canadian Aquatic Biomonitoring Network) assessment completed on Silverton Creek.
- **Moved:** Margaret, *“that Jody Cliff and Claire de la Salle be paid an honorarium of \$150 each for CABIN protocol on Silverton Creek on September 20, 2015.”*
Seconded: Therese. **Carried.**

5:3 Invasive Species:

- Bob completed veliger (Quagga/Zebra Mussel) sampling, and Slocan Lake is free of veligers. He also performed approximately 7 Secci dips in July/August to measure Slocan Lake clarity. Could see approximately 60 ft from surface.
- Bob reported that Slocan Lake temperatures in August were 23° C (surface) and 20° C (6 metres). Temperatures this high have not been seen before.
- Margaret reported from Invasive Species AGM that Bull Frogs have crossed the border at Nelway.

5:4 Science Research Framework update: First interviews with scientists with interests in area scheduled for next week.

5:5 New Business/Other: Kokanee counts in Bonanza Creek have begun using volunteer trainees from SLSS.

6. EDUCATION/PUBLIC RELATIONS

6:1 Wild Days & Friday Markets:

Marcy Mahr and Theresa Tremaine submitted a 40 page report on Wild Day and Friday Market activities to SLSS which was forwarded to Columbia Basin Trust. There were

approximately 90 participants in the 4 Wild Days. SLSS congratulates Education committee for a job well done, especially when money was not received until July.

7. WATERSHED PROTECTION AND ADVOCACY

7:1 Watershed Protection updates:

Silverton Creek Road: Bruce and Margaret report that building on the new bridge has not begun, but did not drive far enough to know if repairs to the bridge at Maurier Creek are on-going.

Summit Lake: Investigation IP on encroachment issues of foreshore of Summit Lake. SLSS received a response from Paul Rasmussen (Ministry Forestry Lands Natural Resources) to our inquiry about NACFOR (Nakusp and Area Community Forests) operations.

8. In Camera Session: (Possible 2015-16 Director vacancies and recruitment plan).

9. FOI (for our interest): None.

10. NEXT BOARD MEETING DATE

Tuesday, November 3, 2015, Zion United Church, Silverton. (AGM Sunday November 15th)

10. ADJOURNMENT

Moved: Margaret, 9:40 PM

Recording Secretary: Ann Meidinger

Reviewed and Approved by the Board: November 3, 2015



Signed: Per _____
President