

NORTH CANYON IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT

Minutes

Annual General Meeting

April 12, 2010

A **Court of Revision** sat at 6:30 PM. Chairperson Tony Aryan presided. Trustees present: Michael Bachynski, Michael Byrne, Morris Widish and Randy Moore. No one attended the Court of Revision to reclassify land. Chairperson Tony Aryan adjourned the Court of Revision.

The **Annual General Meeting** of the North Canyon Improvement District was held April 12, 2010 at the Canyon-Lister Elementary School. The meeting convened at 7:10 PM. Tony Aryan presided. Trustees present: Randy Moore, Michael Bachynski, Michael Byrne, Morris Widish. Administrator present: Ila Carrington. Operator present: Dale Beebe. Ninety-five members attended. Guest Speaker: Ken Gadicke representing the accounting firm of Gadicke and Minichiello.

ITEM NO.	AGENDA ITEM	BRIEF DISCUSSION	ACTION
1.0	Call to order	Time 7:10 p.m.	
2.0	Minutes of previous meeting		
2.1		Minutes of the Annual General Meeting of March 5, 2009 were provided for members to review. Administrator, Ila Carrington, read a summation of the Minutes. Carol Sanders motioned the Minutes be adopted as recorded. Simon Lazarchuk seconded the motion. PASSED	Motion to approve 2009 Minutes PASSED
3.0	Auditor's Report		
3.1		Ken Gadicke of the accounting firm Gadicke and Minichello presented the North Canyon Improvement District Financial Statements to December 31, 2009. Mr. Gadicke noted a difference	Motion to approve 2009 Financial

			to the 2009 report to reflect the requirement to now show Tangible Capital Assets. There were no questions regarding the report. Sweyn Gartland motioned the financial report be approved. Dan Kusalik seconded the motion. PASSED. Trustee Moore reported on the requirement of the Ministry of Community Development to reflect tangible capital assets in the financial statements. An outside firm had been hired to evaluate the existing assets and determine the rate of depreciation for those assets, as reflected in the financial statements.	Statements PASSED
4.0		Renumeration for Trustees		
	4.1		Trustee Aryan reported remuneration for Trustees is: \$80.00 per meeting for the Chair; \$60.00 per meeting for Trustees and requested the remuneration be reduced. Ken Miller motioned the Trustee remunerations remain the same as 2009. Alan Clayton seconded the motion. PASSED.	Motion to set Trustee remuneration the same as 2009 PASSED.
5.0		Trustee Elections		
	5.1		Trustee Aryan explained there had been a misunderstanding of the number of Trustees to be elected when the initial notice of the AGM was mailed out. At a special meeting in May 2009, Trustee Byrne had been elected for a one-year term. It had been determined that Trustees are to be elected for a three-year term in accordance with the Letters Patent and the Local Government Act; therefore, Trustee Byrne's term correctly should have been for three years. Therefore, only two Trustees are to be elected at the 2010 AGM. Trustee Widish commented on letter that was circulated in the community campaigning for elections to the Board. Larry Nowak pointed out that if a new board was elected, that board would be required to conduct the balance of the meeting. Trustee Aryan asked to move the Trustee elections to after the Trustees' reports.	
6.0		Trustees' Reports		

6.1	Clorination	<p>Trustee Widish gave a report on the chlorination project. In accordance with a permit from Interior Health, chlorination must be in place by July 2010. The Chlorinator has been purchased and is on-site. It is not a chlorine injection system; rather a system that utilizes chlorine tablets that are released into the water. A proper building to house the chlorinator needs to be built. Trustee Widish has contacted various contractors to do the job, but to-date, has not received a response/quotation. An original shed, built in 2008 to house the project, is deemed inadequate and instead will be used as an annex and storage area for the District's new office. Sweyn Gartland asked how much had been spent on this building; approximately \$5,000.00. Terry Nowak suggested this was an expensive annex. Trustee Bachynski advised not all members of the Board had approved the building at the time of its construction and set-up. Trustee Aryan advised that there are many divisions among the Board's Trustees and many times the Board is unable to come to a consensus on matters.</p>	
6.2	Water Management Task Force	<p>Trustee Byrne gave a report on the Water Management Task Force (WMTF). The WMTF consisted of a group of eight members of the community and met three times to develop a plan for the District's water usage. The WMTF dealt with three issues: water conservation; water metering and additional sources such as a dedicated irrigation line.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Water conservation: A report was provided to the Board in one month; however, the Board rejected the watering restrictions as recommended insofar as they affect farming, which lead to a meeting with the farmers in February 2010. The farming community did not offer any alternatives and recommended returning to previous years' water restrictions. The full WMTF report is viewable on the Board's website. ▪ Metering: A staged proposal for the introduction of water 	

			<p>meters was proposed. Following debate, the chair of the Board endorsed the staged introduction of meters at the Board's regular meeting in February 2010. To-date there is no further action regarding metering</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Additional sources – dedicated irrigation line: The Board agreed to proceed with the first two stages of the dedicated irrigation line by confirming the supply from the Goat River well and by confirming the terms of usage with those who will benefit from the line. To-date no further action has been taken. <p>Trustee Aryan stated the WMTF had been misinformed on the amount of water available to the community that resulted in the recommendations of the task force being inaccurate. Bill Truscott, representative of Ontario International, suggested less confrontation and more compromise; Caroline Hill applauded this statement; Michael Bachynski mentioned reduction measures to agriculture in the Okanagan; Larry Nowak mentioned decreased 2010 snowpack levels and that agriculturists demand water 24/7 while non-agriculturists don't; Trustee Aryan stated he is changing over his farm to a drip system to decrease the amount of his water usage; Behruz Aryan is willing to install soil tensiometers to conserve water, but may need more water during peak times. Behruz Aryan had written a letter to the Board in February 2010 outlining his concerns that he wished to be taken into consideration by the WMTF. Maureen Widish stated that to conserve water she waters in small sections and has also reduced the amount of trees on the farm. John McKee related the history of the Board during his time as a member of the community. Carol Sanders requested the meeting move on. Trustee Aryan advised there are three sources of available water: Camp Run Creek, the Aquifer and the Goat River.</p>	
	6.3	Creston Valley	Trustee Bachynski reported on the Creston Valley Forest Corporation	

		Forest Corporation	(CVFC). In 2009 CVFC had agreed not to log in the watershed. The Board had appealed to the Forest Practices Board (FPB) to have any proposed logging of the watershed stopped altogether. The full report is on the FPB website but is not helpful. Early in 2010, CVFC appeared to be in turmoil. Three of the five shareholders are leaving. North Canyon Improvement District was asked to become an owner, along with Erickson and Kitchener. The Board felt there were many questions that needed answering, and the matter should be brought to the AGM. Terry Nowak asked that the questions and answers be posted on the District's web site for the community to review.	
	6.4	Website	Trustee Byrne reported on the District's web site. The site is under the Regional District of Central Kootenay (RDCK) website. URL is http://www.rdckareab.com/North_Canyon_Improvement_District.html . Trustee Byrne thanked Penny Anderson for her help in setting up the site. News of meetings, reports and projects will be on the site, as well as links to the Local Government Act, Improvement District manual, District by-laws, water licenses, District boundaries, Drinking Water Protection Act, Drinking Water Protection Regulations; and Interior Health Authority's 4-3-2-1-0 Drinking Water Objective. The District hopes to form its own website apart from RDCK later this year.	
7.0		Trustee Elections		
	7.1		Nominations for Trustee elections were called for. Trustee Aryan nominated Ken Miller. Trustee Aryan advised he would stand for re-election. Trustee Bachynski nominated Caroline Hill. Trustee Bachynski advised he would stand for re-election and was nominated to re-stand by Caroline Hill. Sweyn Gartland motioned that nominations close. John McKee seconded the motion. PASSED. Elections were by secret ballot. Administrator, Ila Carrington, acting as Returning Officer nominated Renee Kyle and	Motion to close nominations for Trustees PASSED Motion to destroy ballots PASSED

			Karen Czar to act as scrutineers. Michael Bachynski was elected for a three-year term. Caroline Hill was elected for a three-year term. Larry Nowak motioned that the ballots be destroyed. Terry Nowak seconded the motion. PASSED.	
8.0		Meeting Adjournment	The meeting was adjourned at 9:18 PM	