

LOWER NIPIT IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT

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May 5, 1995

APPROX 22 attended

NOTICE OF ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

The Annual General Meeting of the Lower Nipit Improvement District will be held MONDAY, MAY 29, 1995 at 7:30 P.M. in the Kaleden Community Hall. With you there, we will have an interesting and informative meeting.

AGENDA

- * Minutes of the 1994 meeting.
- * Financial Statement for the year ending March 31, 1995 *# 2700.00*
- * Trustees' Report - Mike Parsons
- * Area Planning Committee - Jack Laisi - *NEW HSE #'S IN NEAR FUTURE*
- * Water Committee Report - Bob Tate
- * New Business
- * Election of one Trustee to replace Arch Reynolds
whose one-year term (replacing Francis Peck) expires.
- * Appointment of Secretary/Treasurer for 1995/96 -
- * Appointment of Auditor for 1995/96 *M'LENNAN AGAIN*

Following refreshments, a discussion regarding the recent home break-ins will follow. We plan to have an RCMP representative (hopefully) and a security professional talk on this subject.

See you there,
Hannah Hyland
Hannah Hyland, Secretary/Treasurer

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GREETINGS!

Following are the Minutes of the Annual Meeting held recently. Thanks to all who came, and regrets to those of you who weren't there. Many said what a very good meeting it was, largely due to the input by and discussion with our guest speakers, Randy Manuel of the Penticton Museum and Ed Sims, our Area Representative to the Regional District. I hope you will benefit from this report and also feel inspired to participate in this Society's aim to keep our lake and its environment clean, safe and enjoyable.

MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING HELD MAY 29, 1995 AT THE KALEDEN COMMUNITY HALL

The meeting was called to order by Mike Parsons at 7:30 p.m. There were 20 people present.

Minutes of the 1994 meeting were read by Hannah Hyland. It was moved by Bob Tate and seconded by Jack Lawrence that the minutes be adopted as read. CARRIED.

FINANCIAL REPORT

H. Hyland read the Report, as audited by Alex McClellan. Opening Balance for period ending March 31, 1995 is \$2755.99 and Closing Balance is \$2685.42. Jack Laisi moved and Elaine Parsons seconded that the Report be adopted as read. CARRIED.

Since the L.N.I.D. must have funds to operate, and as it has been several years since money has been received from its members, it is becoming necessary to replenish the depleted reserves in the bank. It would not be cost-efficient to a tax through the RDOS Property Tax Assessment, therefore a separate assessment will be made against each property.

TRUSTEES REPORT

Mike Parsons reported on several things that had taken place over the past year:

1. the placement of new "No Gas Engines" signage
2. the removal of the offending garbage can at the Public Access
3. assurance that lake levels were normal
4. raising with the Department of Highways the potential problem of drainage water from Range Road and the Golf Course. The Dept. of Highways assured us that they would install infiltration beds by the side of the road so that drainage would not flow into the Lake. These, however, have not yet appeared.
5. The Twin Lakes Golf Resort Proposed Development was viewed and studied. Concerns were raised about potential water shortage and other problems that might result with the

development of a 280 unit housing development. At the Public Hearing we requested that the Regional District conduct an independent Survey to assure the LNID that there was no threat to our Lake's water, and also that there be a total Community Plan in place. To date, these requests and submissions have not been addressed by the RDOS, while the Proposed Development's has gone from the RDOS to the Ministry of Municipal Affairs for the next stage of approval. We will be contacting the Ministry with these concerns.

Trustee Rick Brown reported regarding the Public Access that students employed by the Kal Rec are available to do work requested at the Access. Archie Reynolds reminded us that since our area pays taxes to the Kal Rec, we should not hesitate to ask for their services.

WATER REPORT

Bob Tate reported that there has been an abundance of fresh water this year from run-off, resulting in a rise in the lake of 2 1/2 feet. Water diversion commenced May 10 by S. Sieben who, from that time on, took approximately 50% of the run-off. He reminded us to be glad for the abundance, as that is what keeps our lake fresh and clean. It is estimated that by next Spring the lake could drop by 1 foot.

It appears that the pump house on the Twin R Ranch has been removed and it is not known if the owner plans to pump water from the lake if necessary in the future.

A question was raised if it would be possible to reserve water in the Upper lake and release it as required. This is something that could be checked into. It would be desirable to reserve water to replenish the lake in years when there is a below average snowpack.

Mike Parsons asked Bob if he might like to have an assistant to help him on the Water Committee.

GUEST SPEAKER

Guest speaker, Randy Manuel of the Penticton Museum gave a delightful and informative talk about the History of our area and Lake. With a knowledge of its source and system, he warned us to take precautions that we do not lose the quality of the water and even the lake itself which, as history shows, are real possibilities with the population taking over rural areas. He urged us to ask for a Community Plan as quickly as possible.

AREA PLANNING COMMITTEE REPORT

Area "D" Representative, Ed Sims, reported and commented on the following:

1. he had attended two Public hearings, re the Tol property and the Golf Course Development Proposal
2. a new House Numbering system is soon to come into place

3. the Golf Course Proposed Development had provided a battery of professional information which was forwarded to the RDOS and to Municipal Affairs (he said that he did not want to bring his personal feelings into the issue)
4. re. the request for an Independent Study, he said that the RDOS does not have the money to do this, and so must rely on the Developer to do the study. He felt that if a professional puts his stamp on it, it should be accurate and unbiased. He also thought that studies done previously may not be as up-to-date. In the meantime, he suggested that people be cautious, and hoped that not too many serious mistakes will be made.
5. agrees that a Community Plan would be a good idea
6. said it was important for us to have representation on the Area Planning Committee, such as we have in Mike Parsons and Jack Laisi

When asked what the LNID could do to get a response to our request for a Community Plan, Ed Sims suggested that we review the Rural Land Use ByLaw and pursue the request with the RDOS Area Planner. A comment was made that it seemed from a report in the Kaleden Newsletter that Ed favored the Twin Lakes Proposed Development. Again, Ed replied that he believed that a professional should be credible. He reminded us that a Public Hearing was a place for each individual to stand up and voice his own ideas, even if it was the same as someone else who had just spoken.

There was a brief discussion about the 5% proposed parkland for this area, and some of the First Nations' concerns.

APPOINTMENT OF AUDITOR

Alex McClellan was appointed Auditor for the coming year.

NEW BUSINESS

1. June Kline offered a load of drain rock to whoever wanted to pick it up. She can be contacted at 492-7286
2. Re. Water Testing: Any person concerned about their drinking water could send a sample of bottled water to:
Water Testing
#1 - 368 Industrial Avenue
Kelowna, B.C. V1Y 7E8 ph# 763-5090
A good time to test is before the spring run-off or when the water has been at a low. We need to remember that as this lake has no outflow, whatever goes into the water stays in.
3. concern about Outhouses: According to the Sewer Disposal Regulations, an outhouse must:
 - have a permit
 - be set back 100 hundred feet from high water mark
 - have a 3-4 foot pit
 - be vented
 - be rodent proof
 - be 10 feet away from property line

4. cattle at the water's edge: it was suggested that the Ministry of Environment be consulted to see if there is need for concern

5. the abundance of carp in the Lake: Rick Brown was made aware of a man from Enderby who has a licence to commercially harvest carp. His method of harvesting is not known. The LNID is not prepared to suggest the removal of large quantities of carp at this time.

TRUSTEE ELECTION

Francis Peck was nominated for another 3-year term. Archie Reynolds agreed to a 3-month interim term on behalf of Francis who is still having surgeries and healing.

A new Secretary/ Treasurer was not elected or appointed, but some members will be approached.

The Trustees are:

Francis Peck	-to 1998
Archie Reynolds	-to July 1995
Rick Brown	-to 1997
Mike Parson	-to 1996

The meeting adjourned at 9:35 pm followed by refreshments and a talk led by Rick Brown about using common sense to protect from house break-ins. He said that the police would provide more information if requested.

We hope that many more of you will be able to attend next year's Annual Meeting which should be around the end of May again.

Sincerely,

Hannah Hyland

Hannah Hyland, Secretary/Treasurer

A PERSONAL NOTE

I have very much enjoyed being Secretary/Treasurer for the past two years. It's been a great experience getting to know the purpose of the LNID, working with the dedicated committee, and having a little more opportunity than most to be in contact with you folks and community and government agencies.

When I first moved to this area, I had no clue what the LNID was all about. It was just lovely to live at the lake. I have since learned that we cannot take this lake for granted, or soon we may not have it. I hope that each one of you has the same love and concern for Twin Lakes.

Have a wonderful summer and winter. Hope to see you around...