

LNID Board Trustee Meeting Minutes
Thursday, October 12, 2023
10:00am 451 Eastview Road & via Zoom

Present in person: Glenda Stewart-Smith, Noreen Minish, Coral Brown, Bill Kresowaty

Present via Zoom: David Hetherington, Pam Mann

Guests present via Zoom: Michael Jacobson

Old Business:

1. Acceptance of Minutes of August 8, 2023 Board meeting
– moved by Noreen, seconded by Glenda; carried.

New Business:

1. Addition to Agenda: Moved by Glenda, seconded by Noreen to add assessment bylaw #58 to be passed in three readings at today's meeting. Carried.

2. Financial Report by Pam Mann

- Pam phoned CRA to ask about whether we can be registered to add GST to our tax notices but no response yet
- We were informed that we are not able to write off bad debts.
Background: There was a case recently in which an LNID member sold property without paying the \$300 LNID tax owing and we weren't notified in time. Glenda contacted Lisa Andres who suggested charging the debt to the new owners but this would require a lawyer's intervention.
- Pam suggests that we contact real estate agents and lawyers of future sellers to ask that prospective buyers be informed of outstanding taxes
- Pam will send out assessment notices soon; Glenda will send out an email prior to notices to explain the need for this new practice.
- Pam requested permission to hire someone who knows how to merge software required to do these tax notices. The fee will be \$500. Possibly this will be the only time this extra help will be required.
All board members in favour.
- Budget prep will begin in the New Year.

3. 1st Reading of Assessment Bylaw # 58. Glenda moved to pass the bylaw, seconded by Noreen. Carried.

4. Court of Revision date: tentatively set for Thursday, November 16 at 7 PM

5. Water Update: by Coral Brown

- Lower Twin Lake (LTL) is currently at 17.68 ft., increased ¼ in. in last 24 hours due to rain
- Little change in LTL level since mid-summer
- Slow draining continues from UTL and Turtle Pond continues to run into LTL
- We will continue to pump throughout the fall to get the vertical level down to 17 ft if possible until "ice on". Glenda will request extension of pumping.
- Effect of logging on Orofino is causing more water to come down faster and this will continue in near future.
- We haven't heard results of testing and monitoring done by Shawna.

6. 2nd Reading of Bylaw # 58: Moved by Glenda, seconded by Noreen. Carried.

7. Archives:

- There are 3 of 12 boxes left to sort

- Glenda and Noreen will take the AGM minutes and other board meeting minutes and agendas to be digitized.
- As files become available Glenda will try to put them on our website as time becomes available to do so.

8. FOI Update:

- Agenda, meeting minutes, budgets, and similar items will be available for free on the website.
- Correspondence (except personal) will also be available

9. 3rd Reading of Bylaw # 58: Moved by Glenda, seconded by Noreen. Carried.

10. AGM prep:

- Bill will book Kaleden Hall for AGM meeting next May 18.
- There was a discussion as to how to deal with a mistake made in our last AGM minutes with regards to a \$5000 amount that was labeled as a donation rather than a grant. Decision was made not to change the minutes but rather to explain the error at our next AGM and make the correction then.

11. Wetland Restoration Update: by Dave Hetherington

- Collaboration continues with Nature Trust and BC Wildlife on proposal for restoring Lot 280 as a wetland. (Also referred to by LNID as Project B in 2 part project to restore overflow outlet from LTL.)
- A Standing Committee is being formed to coordinate the project. The committee is open to any interested members of the greater Twin Lakes community. A chairperson will be chosen at the first formal meeting of the committee.
- Role of standing committee is to advise the LNID and liaise with partners. It can only make recommendations but cannot raise taxes.
- Glenda has informed the province of plans for such a committee which they consider valid.
- Wetland project removes/resolves the liability issue downstream for the LNID as the project is under the auspices of Nature Trust and BCWF.
- Wetland project (Project B) will not be a cost to the LNID. Will be funded by Nature Trust, BC Wildlife, grants, and PIB will probably also participate.) Installation of pump and pipe or gravity culvert to allow for overflow outlet is Project A and will be responsibility of LNID to direct and fund.
- Would like the committee to address both grant opportunities and support for Project B and possible tie ins for Project A. Resolution of liability and funding for Project A would likely mean authorization of LNID's request for authorization to amend works.
- Every district is eligible for flood mitigation grant which RDOS is not applying for. We should put pressure on RDOS to do so.
- We are hoping to get resident input also in all aspects of this project
- Glenda will send out an email to all members re: Standing Committee.
- Dave moves to create a Standing Committee open to all for the purpose of restoring a wetland on Lot 280. Seconded by Glenda. Carried.

12. Residents Petitions: none

Other Business:

- none



March 27, 2024

Glenda Stewart-Smith

Date

LNID Chairperson