

Okanagan Similkameen Parks Society
Annual General Meeting March 15, 2019 @ 7:00 pm
MINUTES

Call to Order @ 7:05

1.0 Adoption of Agenda Moved: John Bremmer Seconded: Guy Wilson *Carried.*

2.0 Adoption of 2018 Minutes Moved: Sheila White Seconded: Guy Wilson
Carried.

3.0 Business Arising: none

4.0 Reports

4.1 Financial

Don Guild presented the financial report, included with the programme handout. Major expense this year was the purchase of communication systems for travelling on logging roads to do forestry and other checks. Liability insurance was added. Adoption: Moved: Don Guild Seconded: Clive Johnson *Carried.*

4.2 Membership Report

Sheila White reported there were 62 members for 2018

4.3 Summary of Society activities 2017-2018

Report on activities handed out. Question from the floor: "Future plans for spending the surplus?" Chair Ian Graham answered that the big expenditure this year will be support for an update to the "Is Everything All Right Out There?" study.

5.0 Correspondence and Announcements

None presented

6.0 New Business

6.1 Amending Bylaws/Constitution

Board members Don Guild and Ian Graham have been working on the OSPS Bylaws and Constitution to bring them in line with the BC Societies Act. Copies of the revisions were handed out for members to review. Adoption of the revised constitution: Moved: Sheila White Seconded: Guy Wilson *Carried.* Adoption of the revised bylaws: Moved: Clive Johnson Seconded: Jill Holland *Carried.*

6.2 Election of Directors

Ian Graham, Don Guild, Clive Johnson, Ann Davidson, Michiko Nelson, John Bremmer, and Joe Klein were elected by acclamation. Acceptance Moved: John Bremmer Seconded: Guy Wilson. *Carried.*

6.3 Honouring Society Pioneers

Harley Hatfield Harley Hatfield was honored for his role in the recognition and maintenance of the HBC Brigade Trail. His name was added to the commemorative bowl, which was accepted on his behalf by Sheila White.

Okanagan First Nations member Lavern Jack requested to speak for a few moments before the meeting was adjourned. He reminded the OSPS to acknowledge that they are meeting on the traditional lands of his people, and to consider First Nations people whenever they undertake any activities or support any initiatives. Especially important was to consider First Nations practices when reviewing logging practices, and to acknowledge Traditional Knowledge Keepers. Chair Ian Graham invited Mr. Jack to the next OSPS meeting, and would speak to him personally at the reception after the meeting.

Ian Graham then invited those present to stay for the presentation of the ET2 Media documentary *Trekking Through History: HBC Heritage Trail*, for which the OSPS provided the seed funding.

7.0 Next Meeting TBA

8.0 Adjournment 7:54pm