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PARKS, ECOLOGICAL RESERVES, TRAILS AND HISTORICAL SITES.



OSPS Annual General Meeting

December 9, 2020 (originally scheduled for March 2020)

Attending:

Ian Graham Ann Davidson Michiko Nelson John Bremmer
 Doreen Olson
Don Guild Joe Kline Marilyn Hansen Clive Johnson
 Leon Lebrun
Donna Graham

Call to order: 7:00 p.m.

Acceptance of Agenda: Moved – John Bremmer Seconded – Ann Davidson Carried Unanimously

Acceptance of Minutes (2019): Moved -Ann Davidson Seconded: Michiko Nelson Carried Unanimously

Business Arising from Minutes: Recognition of the lands of the S'ylix people; recognition will also be carried out for any future 'physical' meeting

Treasurer's Report: Moved: Don Guild (Treasurer) Seconded: Joe Kline Carried Unanimously

Ann Davidson enquired about the status of the Gwen Barlee fund – most went to the production of video on proposed National Park
Treasurer's Report Attached

Membership Report: Membership forms recently mailed (email and post) with newsletter

Membership currently about 65 members, down from about 100 a couple of years ago

Membership by mail this year—no in-person registration this year

Summary of Society Activities:

- *June*
- Clive J. and Joe K. presented a Citizens' Education workshop on tracking forestry and logging – In Peachland, June 25 –10 people attended.
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- *July*
- Ian G., Clive J. and Donna Graham met with the minister and his assistant in Osoyoos
- We were one of four groups invited and got an opportunity to raise issues and concerns with the minister
 - o Complete agreed upon outcomes of the LRMP process for this region
 - o Watershed issues
 - o Have staff carrying out operations in timely manner
- A memorandum of agreement was signed (federal, provincial and first nations governments) in July to proceed with negotiations around the park – OSPS was included in the 'celebration' as one of the supporters

- *October*
- Website Renewal -- Michiko reports that the website will be worked on with the 'facilitator' at the end of Nov. or early Dec.

- Copies of booklets on the 'Old Growth Crisis' were made available to drop off at libraries to the south

- *November*
- Clive J., John B., and Ian G. met with newly elected directors of RDOS – discussed logging of recreation trail area and other topics

- *December*
- Planning for AGM underway –this meeting was postponed
- Is Everything Alright Up There – December 20th, Clive J. passed on the original report to the provincial Forestry Assessment panel to remind them (and gov't.) what original concerns were. Provided copies to panel members. The predictions of the report have been realized with flooding and fires. (Outcome: Panel not aware that all recommendations not implemented. Concerns did not enter into their report)

- *January*
- The Nature Trust of BC - Princeton Grassland Phase 1 Project –(Moved /seconded Don/ Clive) OSPS donated \$12,000 to this project for the purchase of the property

New Business: OSPS is operating under the new constitution and bylaws. Special thanks to Don Guild for directing the project and doing the bulk of the work to have it implemented.

Election of Directors: Full slate of current directors elected unanimously. (Ian Graham; Ann Davidson; Michiko Nelson; John Bremmer; Don Guild; Joe Kline; Clive Johnson; Sheila White)

Next Meeting: 2020 AGM planned for the spring.

Meeting Adjourned: 7:35