

APOA MARCH 25, 2017 AGM MINUTES
GAMES ROOM, APEX MOUNTAIN INN

1. CALL TO ORDER

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER BY PRESIDENT BARRY LEIGH AT 3:04 PM
53 PRESENT

2. APPROVAL OF APOA AGM MINUTES OF MARCH 19, 2016

MOTION: BY MIKE POLYWKAN "TO ACCEPT MINUTES AS PRESENTED" SECOND BY LARRY SHANNON, PASSED.

3. BOARD REPORTS:

A. PRESIDENT'S REPORT—BARRY LEIGH

BARRY INTRODUCED THE CURRENT BOARD MEMBERS, JEN ALBRECHTSON, SUZIE ANDERSON, ARNIE ERICKSON, ROBERT MCLENNAN, DIANE PEW (REGRETS) COLETTE STOOF, JULIA VALENTI & NOTED RESIGNATION OF THEO KELLNER.

B. TREASURER'S REPORT—COLETTE STOOF

COLETTE REPORTED \$17,719.83 COMBINED BALANCE, CURRENT ACCOUNT + TERM DEPOSITS

MOTION: RICK VALENTI "TO ACCEPT TREASURER'S REPORT", SECOND BY JOAN ERICKSON, PASSED

C. MEMBERSHIP REPORT— COLETTE STOOF

COLETTE REPORTED 113 REGISTERED HOUSEHOLDS AS OF DECEMBER 31, 2016

D. ROAD MAINTENANCE—JENNIE ALBRECHTSON

JEN REPORTED MAINTENANCE HAS BEEN GOOD THIS YEAR WITH THE NEW SUPERVISOR BILL DINO.

REPAIRS ARE PLANNED INCLUDING BRIDGE WIDENING ON GREEN MOUNTAIN ROAD.

E. FORESTRY COMMITTEE—MARK RUFFIAGE

REPORT GIVEN BY ARNIE ERICKSON: BRIEF HISTORY OF COMMITTEE & ITS PRESENT MEMBERS:

ARNIE ERICKSON, BARRY LEIGH, DENIS O'GORMAN, LARRY RICHARDSON, & MARK RUFFIAGE. THE MOU (MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING) ESTABLISHED A MEANS OF COMMUNICATION BETWEEN LOGGING OPERATORS & APOA. OPERATORS HAVE BEEN CAUTIOUS REGARDING INFORMATION THEY PRESENT BUT SEEM TO BE LISTENING MORE. THE ONLY OBLIGATION THEY HAVE IS TO INFORM US OF THEIR PLANS. THIS IS NOT A SUSTAINABLE PLAN AS THE MINISTRY OF FORESTS DOES NOT MONITOR. THE GOAL OF THE COMMITTEE IS TO CONTINUE WORKING ON THE ESTABLISHMENT OF BOUNDARIES AROUND THE VILLAGE & PRIVATE PROPERTIES WHERE "NO OR LIMITED LOGGING IS IN PLACE". THE MOU MANDATES THAT AN ANNUAL MEETING OF THE SIGNATORIES BE HELD EACH JUNE. (SIGNATORIES: REPS FROM APOA, NICKEL PLATE NORDIC CAR., FORESTRY COMPANIES, APEX RESORT & MINISTRY OFFICIALS) POSITIVE OUTCOMES FROM 2016 MEETING: A COMPREHENSIVE MAP AND ROAD SAFETY WERE ADDRESSED. IN GENERAL THE PROCESS FALLS SHORT. Q & A POINTS: TRAILS ARE NOT BEING HONORED, CLEAR CUTTING HAS AFFECTED TRAILS & WILDLIFE NEGATIVELY. THE LRMP STATES THAT ALL RECREATION AREAS BE GIVEN PRIME CONSIDERATION AND THESE AREAS ONLY CONSIST OF 1/16 OF 1% OF PROVINCIAL LANDS. FURTHER POINTS CLARIFIED BY DENIS O'GORMAN: "-THE OKANAGAN SHUSWAP LRMP DESIGNATED LANDS AROUND APEX AS AN "INTENSIVE RECREATION" RESOURCE MANAGEMENT ZONE (RMZ). - THE OVERALL GOAL IN THAT AREA/RMZ IS TO ACKNOWLEDGE & MANAGE AREAS WITH SIGNIFICANT RECREATIONAL VALUES. -THE RMZ INCLUDES AREAS (POLYGONS) WITH SPECIFIC FOREST HARVEST CONDITIONS TO HELP MAINTAIN COMPATIBILITY BETWEEN RECREATIONAL & FORESTRY VALUES. THE ENTIRE APEX INTENSIVE RECREATION ZONE/AREA REPRESENTS AN ESTIMATED ONE-SIXTEENTH OF ONE PER CENT OF LANDS IN THE LRMP AREA. - APOA'S FORESTRY COMMITTEE IS CURRENTLY ASSESSING WHETHER TO RECOMMEND TO THE SIGNATORY PARTIES OF THE 2015 MOU A REDUCTION IN THE SIZE OF THE RMZ (IN AREAS OF LOWER RECREATION VALUE) IN EXCHANGE FOR GREATER EMPHASIS ON AREAS WITH MORE CONCENTRATED & ACCESSIBLE RECREATION VALUES. - THE SIGNATORIES TO THE 2015 INCLUDE THE MINISTRY OF FORESTS, LAND & NATURAL RESOURCE OPERATIONS, 3 FOREST COMPANIES (SN'PINKTN, SKULQULT, WEYERHAEUSER), APEX MOUNTAIN RESORT, APOA & NICKEL PLATE NORDIC."

4. AFBS REPORT

GIVEN BY GARY VOLLET: GARRY REPORTED 3 RESPONSES TO FIRE IN PARKING LOT, ONE CHIMNEY FIRE AND ONE AIR VAC. HE THANKED THE RESPONDERS. FUNDS ARE HEALTHY DUE TO GENEROUS DONATIONS WITH SPECIAL RECOGNITION TO JOAN & ARNIE ERICKSON & GARY DENTON & APOA. HE NOTED SPECIAL THANKS

TO RUSSEL & CAROLYN XAVIAR, APEX MOUNTAIN RESORT & JOHN DAVIS FOR HELP WITH SNOW REMOVAL FROM HYDRANTS. CHIEF MIKE POLYWKAN ENCOURAGED MEMBERS TO ACQUIRE THE FREE PHONE APP "I AM RESPONDING".

5. PRESENTATION OF \$500 CHECK TO AFBS FROM APOA

PRESIDENT BARRY PRESENTED CHIEF MIKE WITH A CHECK FOR \$500 FROM APOA.

6. WASTE TRANSFER STATION—CAMERON BRAUGHEN

CAMERON REPORTED THE PROCESS RDOS IS CURRENTLY ADDRESSING CAPITAL COSTS, UNKNOWN OPERATING COSTS, & STAFFING. THE 5 YEAR PUBLIC CONSULTATION COSTS HAVE BEEN ADDED TO PROPERTY TAXES.

AT PRESENT A METAL STRUCTURE IS PREFERRED. HE INFORMED US TO CONSULT THE RDOS WEBSITE FOR COST PROJECTIONS. TENDERS TO GO OUT THIS SPRING, CONSTRUCTION IN THE SUMMER 2017.

A LENGTHY Q & A ENSUED RE EQUITABLE BILLING COSTS TO OWNERS. CAMERON EMPHASIZED: "WRITE LETTERS TO YOUR POLITICIANS WITH YOUR CONCERNS NOW:

PRESIDENT BARRY THANKED SHONA SCHLEPPE FOR HER SUPPORT & ATTENDANCE AT OUR BOARD MEETINGS.

7. APPROVAL OF BYLAWS

PRESIDENT BARRY EXPLAINED THE NEED FOR UPDATING APOA BYLAWS AND THE NEED FOR LEGAL ASSISTANCE IS PROPER WORDING. BYLAW CHANGES WERE SENT TO MEMBERS VIA EMAIL. MOTION: BY JOAN ERICKSON: "TO ADOPT NEW AMENDED BYLAWS" 2ND BY JEFF BROWN, PASSED

8. BOARD ELECTIONS:

ALL SITTING BOARD MEMBERS TO REMAIN. NOMINATION FROM THE FLOOR: JEFF BROWN 2017-2018 APOA BOARD FOR THE VOTE: JEN ALBRECHTSON, SUZIE ANDERSON, JEFF BROWN, ARNIE ERICKSON, BARRY LEIGH, ROBERT MCLENNAN, DIANE PEW, COLETTE STOOFF & JULIA VALENTI. ELECTED BY UNANIMOUS VOTE.

9. APEX MT. RESORT—JAMES SHALMAN

JAMES REPORTED THERE HAS BEEN NO SALE OF THE RESORT. SEASON PASSES WERE UP 10%. THE OPENING OF MT BALDY HAS AFFECTED SALES BUT OUR TERRAIN AND SNOW CONDITIONS REMAIN OUR BIGGEST SELLING POINT. THE FREE STYLE TRAINING MOGUL HILL IS DRAWING TRAINING TEAMS FROM ALL OVER NORTH AMERICA WITH 100S OF COMPETITORS. THE MOGUL HILL HAS BEEN DESCRIBED AS 2ND TO NONE. ALPINE TRAINING COMPARED IS MUCH SMALLER AS SUN PEAKS & PANORAMA HAVE EXPANDED THEIR TRAINING FACILITIES. WEATHER PRESENTED CHALLENGES, FORCING CHANGE OF OPENING DATE BUT THIS YEAR WAS 2ND BEST IN SKIER DAYS (NOT INCLUDING THE OVER THE TOP LAST YEAR) IN HISTORY. ACCIDENTS PER 1,000 SKIERS WAS EXCELLENT: NATIONAL AVERAGE 2.2, APEX 1.5. TERRAIN PARKS ARE WELL MANAGED & CARED FOR THANKS TO THE "BEAST" GROOMER. SUMMER GROOMING & EARLY SNOW MAKING ARE PLANNED. THE SUMMER CREW IS 10-15 WORKERS.

Q & A POINTS: MANAGEMENT WORKS WITH PENTICTON HOTEL/MOTELS RE SKI PACKAGES, ACCOMMODATIONS ARE SPARSE ON MOUNTAIN. (COMPARED WITH BIG WHITE @ 17,000 BEDS!) JAMES EXPRESSED THE NEED FOR ON HILL ACCOMMODATIONS BUT NOTED IN WASHINGTON STATE THERE ARE NO "ON HILL ACCOMMODATIONS" WITHIN 20 MILES BECAUSE LAND IS FEDERAL PARKLAND. APEX MATTERS IS BADLY MISSED AS A COMMUNITY ASSET. JAMES COMMITTED TO MANAGEMENT PUTTING OUT A PERIODIC CALENDAR OF EVENTS ON THE HILL NEXT SEASON.

10. ADJOURNMENT

MEETING ADJOURNED AT 4:40PM

MEMBER SOCIAL FOLLOWED AT THE ROCK OVEN ROOM