

Kaslo Outdoor Recreation & Trails Society
Annual General Meeting Minutes
April 20, 2018

1. **Call to Order** at 7:10pm. Quorum established.
2. **Motion:** To adopt the 2018 AGM Agenda as presented. S. Heard/K. Knoll. **Carried.**
3. **Motion:** To adopt the 2017 AGM Minutes as presented. S. Heard/K. Knoll. **Carried.**
4. **Business arising from the 2017 AGM Minutes:**
 - **KORTS amalgamation:** is complete for Society and BC Registration status.
 - **Rails to Trails amalgamation:** have been invited and declined at the current time. President Dustin East commented that he is not against amalgamating but wants to wait for a period of time to determine what the group wants to do.
 - **Kaslo Family Mountain Bike Park:** received \$2000.
 - **Lakeside/Waterfront Trail:** 2018 Waterfront and Municipal Parks Strategy (2018) recommends that this trail be paved and wheelchair accessible.
 - **2012 Kaslo River Trail washout:** Engineer report identifies possible cost of \$150,000-\$200,000. Val Koenig requests approval to apply to Front Counter BC for this work. **Motion:** To proceed with fundraising and approval for the option of a concrete wall. V. Koenig/K. Knoll. Discussion: Highways money =no, on Village or Crown land?= TBA. **Carried.**
5. **Reports**
 - **President's Report:** Tom Duchastel: Amalgamation of KTS and KORTS is proceeding. Outdoor Recreation Tenure applications for the Kaslo area is a concern. Kaslo Trail Alliance / KORTS is hiring a Trail Coordinator (BC Rural Dividend Program \$10,000) for the summer 2018 to develop a database of trails, conduct public consultation, and move toward a Kaslo and area trails masterplan. Kaslo Trail Alliance / KORTS will be hiring a summer trail crew for major upgrades to existing trails (CBT Recreation Infrastructure Grant matching \$28,000/\$28,000). Thanks to the Kaslo Trail Alliance Steering Committee for their work on these 2 projects. **Motion:** To approve the President's report as presented: K. Knoll/G. Wilson. **Carried.**
 - **Treasurer's Report** Ken Butt (attached): ~\$68,000 in current account. **Motion:** To approve the Treasurer's Report as presented. S. Heard/K. Pidcock. **Carried.**
 - **Membership:** Val Koenig: reported that there are 118 members across various sections of KORTS. Discussion about how to proceed with Membership in KORTS after amalgamation. **Membership committee struck:** V. Koenig, T. Duchastel, K. Butt, K. Knoll, Sarah Heard.
 - **Trails and Volunteers:** Stu Heard: (see attached). Discussion about collecting volunteer hours and it was thought to continue this across all sections of KORTS. Question concerning track setting from the end of Zwicky Road. Track setting through the sand pit is too difficult.
 - **Nordic:** Sarah Heard: good Nordic ski year ~31 youth involved in kids Nordic program. Request for help administering youth Nordic program = Patrick Steiner agreed to assist. Will need to have several new coaches for the coming year. Adult ski equipment purchases this year with rental fee that goes back into rental fleet account. 1st Kaslo Outdoor Gear Swap = successful and BIG THANKS to Sarah, Meleana, Dana.
 - **KAMBI (Kaslo & Area Mountain Bike Initiative):** Kellie Knoll: good planning = successful Single Track 6 (Kaslo Riders Choice award) and I-Did-A-Ride. Funding = CBT \$41,000 for Songbird trail, \$4000 for Hemlock re-route. Steve Ducet has GPS surveyed alternate route

for Buchanan Fire Access Trail around private lands. Doug Roberts = Kaslo Family Mountain Bike Park = several hundred meters done in 2017 for I-Did-A-Ride 8km race route. Doug is looking for people to help design trails for higher level youth riding.

6. **New Business**

- **Unity Bridge landscaping project:** Dana Gallinger: presented that design is complete and plants will arrive in May = mix of native and non-native, drought tolerant.
- **BC Rural Dividend Program Grant** = \$10,000. Marie-Ange Fournier-Beck (Vivid Consulting) has been hired on contract as the North Kootenay Lake Trail Coordinator to conduct trails inventory, develop GIS trail inventory, future planning for trails build-out on behalf of Kaslo Trail Alliance Steering Committee through KORTS.
- **CBT RIG** = \$28,000 matching grant = \$28,000 from KORTS funds to hire a trail crew for the summer to do major upgrades and rehabilitation work on existing trails around Kaslo. Kaslo Trail Alliance Steering Committee to coordinate hiring on behalf of KORTS.
- **32 foot steel bridge** has been acquired by KORTS and is available for donation.
- **Elections:** By acclamation. Tom Duchastel, Mark Elder, Ken Butt, Sarah Heard, Dana Gallinger, Meleana Terlingen, Stuart Heard, Francois Blovin. **Motion:** T. Duchastel / D. East. **Carried.**

7. **Other Business**

- **Outdoor Recreation Tenure Proposals:** contact Dustin East (dustin.east@gmail.com) to be put on the email list for community discussion.
- **KORTS website:** Val Koenig presented that he had approached Pennywise about hosting our website. In the meantime, Ken Butt had re-directed the website to a KORTS blogspot that seems to be working Ok, so we will not be approaching Pennywise.
- **Toilet facilities at Hwy 31A viewpoint pull-out: Motion:** To investigate building a toilet facility in conjunction with Highway 31A Information Map/Viewpoint/Kaslo River Trailhead pull-out. V. Koenig/K. Knoll. Discussion: BC Hwys has approved in principle subject to application from Village of Kaslo and/or RDCK. Cost = ~\$15,000 through LEGO or ~\$6000 cinder block built by volunteers. Yearly operating cost = ~\$500. **Carried.**

Meeting adjourned