

PEMBERTON VALLEY DYKING DISTRICT

THE MINUTES OF THE 76th ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING OF THE PROPERTY OWNERS OF THE PEMBERTON VALLEY DYKING DISTRICT.

The meeting was held at the Pemberton Community Centre - 7390 Cottonwood Street, Pemberton B.C. - Thursday, July 13, 2023, at 7 PM.

Landowners were registered upon entry to the meeting, and ballots for the election were distributed.

Present: Chair: J. Beks
Trustees: A. Bush, E. Ayotte, B. Ronayne, C. Gilmore
Staff: K. Clark, P. Fotsch

Also present was Ethlyn Sutherland, appointed Returning Officer, and 7 members of the public. Of the 15 persons present, 5 were not eligible to vote. The meeting was called to order at 7:08 PM. Chair Beks welcomed all the attendees.

Moved/Seconded

That the agenda be approved.

CARRIED

The 2022 Annual General Meeting Minutes were presented.

Moved/Seconded

That the minutes of the 75th Annual General meeting be adopted as presented.

CARRIED

The Financial Statements for the year ended December 31, 2022, were presented for viewing.

- These had previously been approved at the April 20, 2023, Regular Board Meeting.

2022/2023 Annual Report

The Annual Report of the Board of Trustees for the 2022/2023 year was presented by Manager, Kevin Clark.

Projects for the year included replacing 5 old-style flap gates with new-style flap gates, Lillooet upper river survey to determine if gravel removal is having an overall affect; vegetation management in the Arn Canal, the agricultural Pemberton Meadows ditch, and the Clover/Fraser road drainage ditch; developing a real-time gauging network (which is being shared with the River Forecast Centre), engineering design for replacement culverts through Pemberton Creek Dike, and others.

The PVDD and Village of Pemberton were successful in receiving a grant for Mt. Meager/Capricorn Creek slide stabilization.

The 2023 budget is separated into 3 categories.

- 351k for overhead and fixed costs (includes accounting, legal, administrative, etc.).

- 508k for maintenance (includes culvert and dike maintenance, permits, repairs, etc.).
- 755k for projects (described above).

The SLRD is administering a grant received from Municipal Affairs, for possible future Local Governance structures for the Pemberton Valley, as the PVDD is no longer eligible to receive infrastructure funding, and its future is uncertain.

A 2022/2023 flood protection modelling exercise has shown that the cost to increase flood protection levels to a 1:200 event is very high and not affordable without a huge amount of Federal and Provincial aid. The resulting report (not public yet) indicates that land acquisition and managed retreat from certain areas would be part of this plan.

Therefore, in 2024, PVDD will focus attention to actionable items, such as building on the forecasting system by installing gauges higher up in the water sheds to give more time for decision making, Pemberton Creek culverts and gates, 5 more flap gate replacements, culvert replacements for agricultural ditches, Grandmother Slough vegetation management (if possible), Mt. Meager replant support, Pemberton Creek Habitat Enhancement, etc.

Questions:

Questions were asked about the reactivation of Grandmother Slough and shading on the Arn Canal.

Trustee Remuneration:

Chair Beks asked the landowners to vote by a show of hands, to approve or oppose, the motion to hold the trustee remuneration at the current rates - approved, none opposed.

Moved/Seconded

That the Trustee remuneration be held at the current rates.

CARRIED

Election:

Chair Beks introduced the appointed Returning Officer, Ethlyn Sutherland. Ethlyn then read the Voting Eligibility specifications and called for nominations for one trustee position for a 3-year term, replacing Trustee Gilmore, whose term had expired.

Nominees:

Chad Gilmore - *Accepted*

After 3 calls for more nominations, it was:

Moved/Seconded

That the nominations be closed.

CARRIED

The Returning Officer then declared Chad Gilmore re-elected by acclamation.

Chair Beks, thanked staff and the Returning Officer for their services, and the landowners for attending.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:52 PM.

Chair

Secretary

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