



**Sunshine Valley Ratepayers Association  
Directors Meeting  
December 7, 2007  
SCCC Recreation Centre, Sunshine Valley, BC**

**MINUTES**

**DIRECTORS PRESENT**

Barb Bell, Norm Bell, Beata Korabek, Ben Barnett, Sharon Bender

*Meeting called to order at 7:15 pm.*

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

MOTION: *Approve the agenda as circulated.*  
SECONDED and PASSED.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

MOTION: *Approve the minutes from the Directors Meeting held on November 2, 2007.*  
SECONDED AND PASSED.

**TREASURER'S REPORT**

MOTION: *Approve the Treasurer's report for the month of November 2007.*  
SECONDED AND PASSED.

**CORRESPONDENCE**

A letter dated October 23, 2007 was received from Kerry Grozier, District Manager, Chilliwack Forest District regarding the removal of the second bridge over the Sumallo River. In the letter Mr. Grozier stated the reason for removing the bridge. A decision was made to remove the bridge after an engineering inspection showed that the bridge did not meet minimum load rating, safety and environmental standards. A wet crossing was left for emergency fire protection access.

**BUSINESS**

- **Community Water Update**

The committee has not received a response from Rick Couroux's office to the e-mail that was sent inquiring about the status of the water engineering inspection and rate application. The committee will give the Comptroller's office until January 1st to

respond. If a response is not provided by that time the committee may seek resolution from the Ombudsman's office. A resident in Alpine sent Barb Bell an e-mail informing her that he also has commented to the Comptroller's office about the water situation. Barb will forward this e-mail to the water committee.

- **Active Communities**

A committee was formed by local residents to represent Sunshine Valley at a BC Active Communities meeting in November. The committee has applied for a grant to study the feasibility of building a trail network in Sunshine Valley and the maintenance costs associated with it. Included in the grant application were expenses related to education, awareness, guest speakers and newsletters. This grant is in addition to the pedometer sales that are now taking place in Sunshine Valley to raise funds.

- **Spirit of BC**

Next Hope Area Spirit of BC meeting will take place on December 13th at the Hope Secondary School Library from 7:00pm to 8:00pm. The topic of the meeting will be the volunteer appreciation night gala. Anyone interested in the Spirit of BC program is welcome to attend. The new 2010 Olympic mascots will be making an appearance at the meeting.

- **Sunshine Valley Homecoming 2008**

The committee is working out the details for the homecoming event. The Japanese Historical Association has been in contact with the committee and has expressed an interest in participating. The association is researching the "last walk" that occurred when the internment camp was closed, and a similar walk may to commemorate the event is being considered as part of the homecoming events. Another idea being considered is a trail marker along the path that was used by camp residents. Kate Zabell reported that in order for the committee to apply for BC Lotteries Direct Access grants, the current bylaws of the SVRA must be changed. Kate and Barb plan to work on the details of these changes.

- **High-Speed Internet**

An e-mail from Walter Rawlinson was forwarded to several residents with information on high-speed internet from Telus. The e-mail stated that Telus has old high-speed ADSL equipment that they are replacing in other communities and may consider installing some of this older equipment in Sunshine Valley if enough residents express an interest in subscribing. Ben will respond to Walter's e-mail and share his contact information that he currently has.

- **AGM Agenda**

A decision was made to not include the Sunshine Valley Volunteer Fire Department on the agenda due to time constraints and lack of interest from the board. The board will look into whether someone from the new Community Forest would be available to speak at the AGM.

MOTION: *To adjourn the meeting.*  
SECONDED AND PASSED

*Meeting was adjourned at 8:07pm.*

**ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING**  
**Saturday, January 12, 2008 from 2:00pm to 4:00pm**  
**SCCC Recreation Centre, Sunshine Valley, BC**  
**Everyone is welcome to attend!**