

LARCH HILLS NORDIC SOCIETY

Executive Meeting

Tuesday, May 14, 2024 7:30pm

Alan's Place – 1960 15th Ave SE

Suzy Beckner, Kari Wilkinson, Don Miller, Cam Brown, Pauline Waelti, Abbi May, Bill Prytula, Alan Corbett, David Millard, Laura Hepburn

1. Adopt Agenda – Additions Kari motioned to adopt, Cam 2nd.
2. Minutes of last executive meeting – April 9, 2024 Kari motioned to approve, Bill 2nd.
3. Business arising/outstanding issues:
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4. Treasurer Report – Don
 - Prinoth down payment invoiced and paid May 2nd 2024.
 - BC Champs
 - Receipts \$25,073(including \$3000 from SA economic development.
 - Expenses \$11,180
 - Zone 4 charge \$2467 (Don is connecting with zone 4 for receipts and to attempt to remove them from direct withdrawal from the LH bank account.)
 - Current cash-
 - Operating accounts \$84,096 – estimated unpaid liabilities \$15,000
 - Gaming account \$188,746
 - Machine account \$244,929 (including \$33,146.12 from Nordiq Canada)
 - Track setter term deposits \$170,461
5. Manager's Update – Karen- absent.
 - Online day passes, webcam fixes
6. SEC – David.

Equipment is in good shape and should just need general maintenance for next season.

David will purchase a new actuator from Yellowstone from the Ginzu for \$750.

The co-op

The tracks will be coming off the Kubota for summer use.

Fueling –

Co-op would like us to purchase a 1,000L double walled tank that we could locate on the other side of the bunker. It would need an electric pump and a stand. The current diesel tank could be used for gasoline. This would reduce the number of trips from the Co-op truck. They prefer not to come up as often and this would also save having to plow snow from the fuel shed as frequently.

They offered cost of \$6,300 with monthly payments of \$155, interest free. Don would prefer a single payment. He will try to request a reduced price without the payment plan. David motioned that we purchase the double walled tank for a maximum of \$6300. Cam 2nd. All in favour.

7. Grooming – David

Ginzu shed needs rebuilding. It is too narrow to hold all the equipment. George, John and David have discussed two options.

Option 1. Rebuild in same site with as much of the same material.

Pole barn style, wooden sheathing on the sides, shed style roof.

Approx. 20 x 24 ft. Gorman will donate poles. George estimates \$2000. Dave thinks that is low.

Option 2.

Build near to the chalet for the snowmobiles and the Ginzu in the style of the chalet. This would be considerably more expensive but no estimate provided. Both options would be wired for better lighting.

Some of the executive expressed concerns re security in the second option. It would be better in spring when there is dirt in between the tracksetter shed and the chalet. The crew would like to add woodchips on the access road.

David motioned to rebuild the Ginzu shed and clean the bunker area including woodchips for the road for a maximum of \$10,000. Kari 2nd. All in favour.

Chuck Wilson will repair both broken gates this spring.

8. Parking Lot – David

George is going to sell his loader so he will not be able to plow the parking lot. He will look into finding someone else to do the job in future. Don estimates 10-13,000 in previous years for snow clearing.

Rockfall at 9.5 km on LH road. David asked John to clear it this summer.

9. Tracksetter Update – Bill and Abbi

The deposit has been paid and the tracksetter is being built. We may get it earlier than the current November 15th date. The tillers are coming from Europe. The PB will be sold, but not until after the new machine arrives.

10. Race Committee Update – Alan

Wish list

- More V-boards- already approved and paid for.
- Tablets- for video of technique areas for infractions
- There is only one plug from the pole for the timing equipment. Suzy suggests asking Rob as the power was changed when the lighting was done.
- The microphone for the sound system does not turn off the music.
- WIFI secure password problem. (discussed last meeting)

Alan will price out the above items for next meeting.

The race committee is burned out from the large race this year and would like to do a smaller Okanagan Cup race next year instead of a larger race. Feb 8-9 will likely be the weekend.

Kari suggested LH flags for events. She will price them out for next meeting.

11. Summer Maintenance – Suzy

- Brush mowing- John bought a machine. Suzy will talk to John and Adrian from STA to try to arrange.
- Stair repair/replace. Suzy would like to have metal stairs. She will talk to Rob Hart as his company builds those stairs. She will get a quote prior to the next meeting.

12. Carbon Report – Cam

We paid for carbon offsets for 2021 & 2022. Great Bear Rainforest on the Coast which is run by first nations. \$3307.50 including GST.

13. Ski Team – Suzy

- Glenn's contract. Head coach contract was reviewed by the HR committee (Cam, Abbi and Suzy)
0.7 position. Paid \$4000/month plus GST, plus travel cost.
Suzy will email the contract to the executive.
- Ski team budget includes \$40,000 from the club. We did commit to financial support for the ski team of approximately \$15,000 yearly. We will work with the ski team to encourage fundraising so that fees do not need to be increased. The club is not going to be able to support the ski team to the amount of \$40,000 yearly.
The team would benefit from gaming grants. These are difficult to get because of the club financials. We discussed the option of the ski team being a separate society, but that would require a lot of administrative work. Suzy will check with Karen Neil to see how other clubs are able to get gaming grants for their teams. Many ski teams are getting yearly gaming grants \$30-48,000.

14. Constitution and Bylaws Review – Kari will start to review.

Additions

Next Executive Meeting – Tuesday, June 11, 2023 @ 7:30pm – Kari will take the minutes.

AGM Sept 22nd at LH. Meeting at 1pm. Trail clearing in the morning followed by lunch.

September 10th, 2024 executive meeting.