

## Overlander Ski Club Meeting Minutes

September 12, 2005

Heritage House, 7 pm

**Present:** 14

**Minutes** from the AGM circulated but were unable to be accepted until next year's AGM.

### **Correspondence:**

- Gaming has approved \$26,000 of \$36,000 requested
- Salvage development plan from Jamie Skinner at Weyerhaeuser
- CCBC AGM report
- Georgia Manhard
  - Officials and coaches training
  - Club paid coach program

### **Treasurer:**

- Jerry Spice
  - Introduced Shirley, the bookkeeper
  - No money has been spent since the last meeting
  - \$26,000 from Gaming has been earmarked for certain projects
  - Budget will be worked on shortly. Jerry needs budgets from various committees by the first meeting of November
  - Budget will be tabled at November's meeting
- Jonathan Oliphant
  - There will be no change in fees to club members for this season
  - Receipts for expenses incurred by committee members can be given directly to Shirley. E-mail Jonathan and cc Shirley with details.

### **Trails:**

- Alan Vyse presented background to the issue of logging in the Stake Lake area due to the pine beetle infestation. In particular between Ponderosa and the road.
- Problems with not logging include needles on the trails
- Problems with logging include visuals, control of logging operation, protecting the trail system
- John Schmidt from Heartland Resources will be doing work across the road from the area in question which would make it easy to continue between the road and Ponderosa.
- The Forest Service has agreed to a salvage license for the club. We would have to make a \$1,000 deposit which we could get back.
- There is potential for the club to make some money if a larger area is logged. The area between Ponderosa and the road could yield about 1,000 m<sup>3</sup> of wood. This could be increased to about 3,000 m<sup>3</sup> if we include the area between Ponderosa, Hoss and the wetlands. Currently, the rate is about \$5 / m<sup>3</sup>.
- More logging is being considered for future years.
- **MOTION:** *Overlander Ski Club will undertake logging in the northeast quadrant of the ski trails through a contract with Heartland Resources subject to keeping out maximum liability to the \$1,000 deposit.* (Mark) (seconded by Len McKay)  
PASSED

**Publicity:**

- No report
- No volunteers for this position as yet. Jonathan noted we are looking for someone who is comfortable talking to the press and is able to sell out sport to local radio and papers.
- Joe Dobson will continue to do the website. Mike Cathro and Suzie Tevendale will continue to do e-mail notifications.

**Ways and Means:**

- Mark Richards reported that we applied for \$36,000 from Direct Access gaming funds for specific purposes. We received \$26,000. (\$11,000 plus \$15,000 one time grant). This money specifically excludes preliminary day lodge work.
- We haven't heard from TD regarding additional funding for the interpretive signs. However, they will only just have had their meeting.
- Basement renovations will be completed with the gaming money. Since the board has already approved the work, Jonathan will contact Mike immediately. Work should be completed before the start of the season.
- Interpretive Signs. We have received \$3,000 each from Highland Valley and TD. Frances reported that we require \$9,500 due to the inclusion of trail maps on signs. We have applied for \$2,000 more from TD.
- Fabrication of the signs should take about 6 days. Putting the sign posts up will start immediately with the use of an excavator.
- MOTION: *Overlander Ski Club will contribute \$1500 towards the cost of interpretive signs.* (Mark) (seconded by Al Michel) PASSED.

**Coaching:**

- Indra reported that Dana Manhard will help coach the JD program.
- There was some discussion about hiring a paid coach again this season. Some options were discussed including using the Regional Coach in Kelowna, sharing a coach with Vernon or Larch Hills. A bulletin will be put out through Georgia Manhard looking for a part time seasonal coach.
- Ski Swap will be held on Saturday, Oct 15 at the old Tool Place location in Valleyview. Drop off fee for items under \$10 will be lowered to \$1.
- It may be possible to construct a ski playground area before the season starts since machinery will be at Stake Lake soon. Jennifer and Jonathan will communicate further regarding this.
- CCBC has published the coaching clinic dates. There will be a clinic in Kamloops on October 15.
- Lisa is willing to run a recreational teen group this season.

**Social Committee:**

- No report
- No volunteers for this committee.

**Newsletter:**

- Margaret will get the first newsletter out before the ski swap.

**Electronic Registration:**

- Jonathan proposed that we begin using an electronic registration system for club membership fees this season through Zone 4. We have used Zone 4 for race registrations in the past.
- There is a 3% transaction fee for credit card payments.

- Using this system could reduce volunteer hours significantly. We would encourage on-line registration for this purpose.
- Paper registration could still be available at the ski, by mail or at Registration Day at Spoke n Motion.
- TABLED

**Work Party Date:**

- Sunday, September 25 9am – 3pm
- Bring a lunch and tools (chainsaw, axe, clippers, shovel)

**Speed Skating Oval:**

- Owen Spence reported that there will be a speed skating oval “constructed” for one weekend on Stake Lake. The various authorities have given approval.

MOTION: *Meeting be adjourned.* (Jerry) (seconded by Mark)