

**Whitehorse Cross Country Ski Club  
Board of Directors Meeting**

Date: March 16, 2009

Time: 6:30 p.m.

Location: Grey Mtn Room, Mt. McIntyre Rec Centre

Meeting Attendees: Mike Gladish, Kelly Cooper, Tom Ullyett, Jim Gilpin, Doug Knutson, Lorna Hutchinson, Niki Deneault, Craig Thur

Regrets: Bill Curtis, Katherine Sandiford, Derrick Hynes, Sierra Vandermeer, Ian Robinson

**Call to Order** (Tom) 6:35 p.m.

**Standing Items:**

**Review/approval Agenda** – no new items were added

**Previous Minutes** (Tom)

Motion to accept minutes: Jim Gilpin. Seconded: Kelly Cooper. Carried.

**Action Item:** Lorna will post to website.

**Financial Report** (Mike)

- Mike has made a few adjustments to budget – forecasting \$14,000 deficit

**Business Plan Review/Update** – Table until next meeting for Derrick to lead

**2010 Nationals** – Table until next meeting for Bill to report on.

**Land Tenure Committee:** (Jim)

At the last meeting it was discussed that a group would go to a City Council meeting to bring forward our views. This should be happening sometime in April.

Atco Lease matter – this is on the back burner now – they are waiting for the OCP to be done. Tom got an e-mail with revised leases incorporating most of our comments.

Jim met up with a representative of Friends of McIntyre Creek. Tom did talk with Sue J to give her the Ski Club Board position on Friends of McIntyre. They are having a presentation at Mt. McIntyre on April 1<sup>st</sup> which will include City Council, environmental representatives etc. This was discussed. Jim will attend this meeting and give the Ski Club's position. We will put the compatible use guidelines on next month's agenda.

**Decision / Discussion Items**

**Dog Policy** (Mike / Tom)

The information meeting with respect to the changes to the dog policy, which had originally been set up for March 19<sup>th</sup> has to be changed because of scheduling difficulties. We felt more people would attend if it were outside of spring break. It was agreed to have it on Thursday, March 26, 2009 – 7:00 Ski Chalet Waxroom. Mike will send out an e-mail notice, put signs up in the waxroom and the overflow parking area.

Tom discussed the format of the meeting – explanation of what the meeting will entail. Lorna will take minutes at the meeting. The meeting is scheduled to last about 90 minutes.

**CCY meeting.** (Tom)

We want to set up a joint meeting between CCY executive and Ski Club board to discuss the relationship between the two organizations. We will set aside 30 minutes at our next meeting to discuss the meeting. Mike will contact Paula about a date for the meeting.

**Planning Meeting** (Tom)

Subject to people's availability, we will set this up for Monday, May 25 – 6:00 – 10:00 p.m.

**Lotteries Grant** (Mike).

Mike will have to wait and see if the Nationals need to apply for any funding under this grant. Otherwise, Mike would like to apply for a new snowmobile.

**Membership Survey** (Kelly)

Kelly has contacted Darryl about doing the survey through the e-mail system. He gave a quote of approximately \$500.00. It was agreed we would go with this plus an additional 5 hours for analysis if necessary. Kelly has drafted up about 25 questions for the survey. We would like to get the results in so we can discuss this at our annual planning meeting.

**Waiver** (Tom)

Tom discussed the need for a waiver on our daypass tag – we already have that. It was discussed whether we would put the waiver on the back of our membership tags. This would add additional cost, plus it would be very difficult to read. Tom and Mike will discuss this further and it will go on the next meeting's agenda.

**Release of membership list**

Societies Act states that the member's names & addresses can be shown to anyone who asks. No one has requested our list and the board wishes to maintain the member's privacy. Tom noted that the Societies Act was drafted before privacy legislation came into place.

**Subway** (Mike)

Subway are interested in doing something next year – suggestions are a series of events that will encourage participating without racing – poker rally, moonlight ski, ski-o, family duathlon, etc.

**Departing Board Members** (Tom)

Board members should be thinking now about whether they want to stay on the Board next year. If a member is not staying on, it would be appreciated if they could try to find a replacement.

**Compatible use guidelines (Jim)**

Jim's guidelines that were drafted up in December were reviewed.

**MOTION** by Craig Thur that we should adopt the Compatible Use Guidelines drafted by Jim Gilpin in December, 2008 as Club Policy.

Seconded by Doug Knutson. Carried.

**Manager's Update:** Mike Gladish

- mountain bike trails

Mike with Doug Hnatiuk and Jane Koepke last week regarding the city plans for a comprehensive mountain bike trail system. Doug is the parks manager and Jane is a contractor who is developing mountain bike plans and trails for the city. She produced the city-wide trail map that was available last year.

Last year Chris Milner, Jane and Mike discussed options for creating two major trailheads for mountain biking. One would be in Riverdale and one at Mt Mac. It appears that the Riverdale trailhead is the priority for this year, but signs will be produced for Mt Mac and the planning will continue to include Mt Mac. There is now a third entity in the big picture; Mt Sima. Jane and Doug and Mike talked about the idea of promoting all three areas as part of a mountain bike destination, and ultimately tying the three areas together.

Plans for this year include a trailhead kiosk that would be located near the proposed dirt jump park. There would also be some trail markers made to indicate loops that are recommended.

Future planning will look at bridging the Beaver Swamps (McIntyre Creek wetlands) so that a rideable loop can be created to the top of Mt McIntyre and to Mt Sima.

- Yukon Orienteering Association

The YOA will be using Mt Mac as their base of operations for junior training and other orienteering training courses. They will be setting up a permanent series of course controls in the vicinity of Mt Mac and they will be available for use by skiers, bikers, and orienteers.

- Spring pass sales – about 55 sold to date – 55x \$65 = \$3,575.00

- Olympic trail signs - On April 4, 2009 – there will be dedication of new Olympic trail signs for Jeane Lassen, Zack Bell and Owen Munroe. There will be a 20 km skate race at 11:00. 1:00 there will be a volunteer recognition barbeque put on by CCY. At 1:30 there will be a dedication of signs.

**Information Items:**

**Business Model Review** - Mike and Tom met with Stephan. He is working on the project. It may take one more week than expected.

**Directors' reports:**

Niki – the last wax and wine was good – there were about 10 – 15 people in attendance. Jonah Clarke gave a very comprehensive presentation.

Jim – Chalet to Chalet route. Discussed the possibility of this happening in another year. It seems this is not a good route for a freestyle race. Perhaps it could be set up as classic – very low key, fun event.

**Next Meeting:** Monday, April 20, 2009 – 6:30 p.m. Ski Chalet Waxroom