



## Glenmore Valley Community Association

Minutes of the March 21<sup>st</sup>, 2012

### General Meeting

Kelowna Bible Chapel

Directors in attendance: Kim Dodds, Marlene Miller, Richard Wensink and Bruce Gillon.

23 members and guests in attendance.

1. Kim Dodds welcomed the members and guests to the General Meeting and called the meeting to order at 7:10 PM.
2. Kim introduced the directors, guests and guest speakers. Kim made note of several areas that GVCA is involved with including the Family fun Day with Grace Baptist Church for June 23<sup>rd</sup>.
3. Announcements. - GVCA is planning a clean up of Brandt's Creek on the morning of Saturday, April 28<sup>th</sup>.

The graffiti removal speaker had to attend an out of town meeting today and is not available tonight.

4. Guest Speakers.  
Kim introduced Darwyn Kutney and Darren Schlamp of the Glenmore Ellison Improvement District. GEID is the water purveyor for the northern portion of Glenmore, generally north of Summit Drive. Darren used a video projector to show an outline of the present and improved GEID water distribution system. Currently, the water is obtained from Mill Creek below Postill Lake and five wells around the airport.

The new McKinley Landing pump station intake is 35 metres below the surface. It is one of the deepest on Lake Okanagan. By next spring, Okanagan Lake water should be flowing into the McKinley Reservoir. It took four years to sort out property issues and an additional two years to complete the permitting process. As the intake construction is in a Kokanee spawning area, work could only take place during periods that would not affect the fish. Also a number of procedures were required to make sure that none of the work would affect the fish.

Most of the water main piping was purchased in 2010 and some of it installed 2011 to help spread the expenses over several years. This work has been planned to accommodate 50 to 100 years of population growth.

Some of the rock blasted out for the pump station was placed in shallow portions of the reservoir in 2011 to reduce problems with weeds, algae and milfoil.

The Ellison area will continue to use Mill Creek and well water for orchards and when the Okanagan Lake water is available, it will be distributed to the dwellings.

Darren answered several questions from the audience.

Rehan Sadiq, engineering professor in the engineering faculty at UBCO described the project that he, professor Solomon Tesfamariam and students are working on infrastructure planning tools to assist water purveyors assess their underground piping systems. This information will be used to prepare plans for replacing and upgrading existing water distribution systems.

5. Refreshments. The meeting recessed for refreshments.
6. The meeting was reconvened. Richard Wensink described the GVCA Brandt's Creek Clean Up Project. It is on Saturday morning, April 28<sup>th</sup> for two hours maximum. The meeting point is at Valley Road and Drysdale Boulevard at 9:00 AM.

Richard also noted that there seems to be no bus shelters on route 7 south of High Road.

There was a question of who is responsible for clean up of the creek areas; adjacent property owners, the city or some other entity. Kim will contact Todd Cashin at city hall for clarification.

It was noted that there is a spot on the city's website to report items that need cleaning. On the home page select Service Request or Report a Problem.

7. Other Items. Regarding graffiti or vandalism; try to get a description and call police at the regular or emergency number
8. Announcements.
  - The next GVCA General Meeting is scheduled for May 30<sup>th</sup>, 2012.
  - Graeme James reported that he is running in the GEID trustees election. The election is on May 3<sup>rd</sup> at the GEID office, 445 Glenmore Road. The advanced pole is on April 26<sup>th</sup>.
9. The meeting was adjourned at 9:15 by general consent.

Minutes recorded by Bruce Gillon