

**Annual General Meeting of the
Slocan Valley Seniors' Housing Society**

October 1, 2019
Passmore Lodge

The AGM evening began with an informal social with refreshments prepared by Mabel Kabatoff.

Call to Order 7:00 pm

Recognition of Eric Clough, who died on August 18th, shortly after our 20th anniversary celebration at Passmore Lodge.

Welcome & introductions of Board members, staff, and former board members was given by President Rita Moir.

Approval of Agenda - *Moved by Sam Simpson, seconded by Keith Stetsko, that the agenda be approved as presented. CARRIED*

Approval of Minutes - *Moved by Penny Tees, seconded by Lydia Kania, that the minutes of the 2018 AGM held on September 27, 2018 be approved. CARRIED*

President's Report presented by Rita Moir. (Appended)

Membership Report presented by Secretary Penny Tees

At the beginning of the AGM, there were 90 voting members, 1 non-voting member, Attendance at the meeting included 28 voting members, 6 guests (some who purchased memberships that night) and 2 staff.

Committee Reports were presented by:

- Sally Mackenzie for the Finance Committee
- Paul Wilkinson for the Passmore Lodge Building Committee
- Joanne Feenstra for the Board Development Committee
- Sue Harder for the Gardening Committee
- Penny Tees for the Policy Committee
- Sue Harder for the 20th Anniversary Celebration Planning Committee
- Julian Ross for the Technology Committee
- Nora Lilligren on the Seniors' Outreach Programs
- Tamara Smith for Slocan City Suites

Notes of the reports are appended.

A special presentation with recognition was made for Nora Lilligren, Administrator, to mark her upcoming retirement. Thanks were extended for all of her work for the Society.

Moved by Sam Simpson, seconded by Val Mayes, that the President's, Committee, Outreach Program and Slocan City Suites reports be accepted. CARRIED

Audited Financial Statements were presented by Treasurer Sally Mackenzie. She noted that our auditor has changed from Berg Lehmann to Grant Thornton, due to structural changes within the firm. We still deal with the same person. It was noted that our assets have increased dramatically this year due to the addition of Slocan City Suites. Sally detailed the process for retirement of the two forgivable loans (one for the carport at Passmore Lodge, and one for construction of Slocan City Suites). She also noted that the deficit at Passmore Lodge is primarily due to the privacy fencing replacement.

Moved by Sally Mackenzie, seconded by Keith Stetsko, that the Audited Financial Statements be accepted. CARRIED (Appended)

Motion to Appoint an Auditor - *Moved by Sally Mackenzie, seconded by Linda Martin, that Grant Thornton be appointed auditor for the fiscal year 2019-2020. CARRIED*

Recognition of Retiring Board members Paul Wilkinson and Merina Matthew was given by President Moir.

Election of Board

Rita turned the Chair over to Sally Mackenzie, who identified the six directors who still have one year left in their term of office, and will not be a part of the election. She identified that there are six vacancies for 2-year terms, and that nominations have been brought from the board nominating committee for:

Ruth Hackett
Bob Inwood
Julian Ross
Sam Simpson
Penny Tees

Sally clarified that the board can operate with a vacant spot, but that 12 directors is the maximum allowed.

Sally called three times for further nominations for the 2-year terms and none were received, so the candidates were elected by acclamation.

Moved by Val Mayes, seconded by Keith Stetsko, that the acclamations for director be approved. CARRIED

Mandate

President Moir noted that the board is bringing a motion to the membership for discussion and direction, as they have done previously regarding serious initiatives (such as exploring the possibility of building housing in Slocan, back in 2014). She

explained that the board is aware of the need for housing for all age groups within the Slocan Valley. There is also interest from other groups working on housing to find an organization to manage facilities they may build. The wording of the motion from the board was presented, then moved by Sam Simpson, and seconded by Linda Martin, as follows:

Be it resolved that the Slocan Valley Seniors' Housing Society examine the possibility and implications of expanding its mandate to include a broader range of housing and needs.

Discussion included :

- The long wait lists for all types of affordable housing in Nelson.
- That timing may be opportune, as funding that is available now may not last.
- The suggestion to consider expanding housing through other service delivery models, such as partnering with existing home owners to open up extra housing space that may already exist.

The vote was called, and the motion was *CARRIED unanimously*.

Recognition of retiring President

Sally Mackenzie spoke to the dedication and leadership of Rita Moir over the past 5 1/2 years as President of the Society. A small gift was presented to Rita, who received a standing ovation from all in attendance.

Adjournment was declared by President Moir at 8:20pm

President

Secretary