



Glenmore Valley Community Association

Minutes of the February 24th, 2010

General Meeting

Kelowna Bible Chapel

Directors in attendance: Kim Dodds, John Harling, Marlene Miller, Dan Midtdal, Alex Midtdal, Bruce Gillon, Bonnie Hunter, and Richard Wensink.

27 members and guests in the attendance.

1. President Kim Dodds called the meeting to order at 7:10 PM and welcomed the members and guests to the General Meeting.
2. Kim introduced the directors.
3. Announcements. Bruce distributed receipts for 2010 Membership dues. The remaining receipts will be available for pick up at the next General Meeting.

Kim described some of the items that the executive have been working on over the last few months.

Bonnie noted that if anyone wanted to advertise on the GVCA Web site to contact her.

John has contacted the other Kelowna Community Association with regard to the proposed Cat Bylaw. So far eight of the ten Associations support GVCA's proposal.

Kim has contacted Parks Alive. There will be a summer musical night at Whitman Glen Park. GVCA will set up a table to solicit memberships.

GVCA has studied the Glenmore to UBCO Active Transportation options and presented a proposal to City hall to use the dormant 1961 highway easement property.

4. Kim introduced Kevin Craig, Kelowna City Councillor and two Kelowna South-Central Association of Neighbourhoods (KSAN) executive members.
5. Guest Speaker. Kevin Craig, Kelowna City Councillor. Kevin had just come from finishing his French mid term exam at UBCO. He has been very busy learning about his new vocation as a city councillor. He likened the learning curve as drinking from a fire hose.

The \$11 million Glenmore Bypass project is scheduled to be completed in July. The city continues to work on sidewalks for Valley Road North. The 20 year major road network plan is starting to look at access (long term) for the west side of UBCO. The trail project in the Parkinson Recreation Centre is

Item

Details

5. (Guest Speaker continued)

underway and will connect with Glenmore. Construction of the Harvey Avenue pedestrian overpass will start in the spring.

The Cool Ways to School pilot project is to be included in the OCP section on Active Transportation. The North Glenmore Elementary School is hosting family nights. A Recreation Centre and Parks for Glenmore is still 'top of mind' for council. The Still Pond and Hidden Lake parks will be connected by a trail in 2010.

In Glenmore, the only crime statistic to have increased is theft from yards. Between Kane and Union and part of Dilworth.

Kevin responded to several questions. What about the Conservatory? It could be an eyesore for a few more years. What can be done about a neighbours roaming cat? Currently there is no bylaw covering cats. GVCA's proposed Cat Bylaw is not being considered by city council at this time. The next step is to send it to the Regional District for consideration as they handle the dog bylaw. Several members related specific traffic problems to Kevin.

The meeting recessed for a short refreshment break.

During the break John drew tickets for the door prizes.

Glenmore Valley Community Association thanks the generous merchants who have donated the prizes for tonight's draw:

They are: at Glenpark Village Mall; Marketplace IGA for the potted plant, and the Dollar Dollar Store for the picture frames. The Okanagan Flower Shop for the Planter Basket. Alex donated a plant from her garden.

6. Goals and Objectives.

John Harling introduced the current list:

#	Goal/Objective	#	Goal/Objective
1.	Traffic Safety in Glenmore,	7.	Library Branch,
2.	Safer pedestrian and bicycle routes in Glenmore,	8.	Large Park,
3.	Traffic Calming,	9.	A local Hazardous waste depot,
4.	Safer exercise routes,	10.	Restrict water use,
5.	Improve Valley and Sexsmith routes,	11.	Skateboard facility and youth services,
6.	Community Centre,	12.	Use of rail corridor for commuters.

Richard led the discussion on whether the priorities were correct or not. It was suggested that several of the items could be combined under a more encompassing title.

The question of what is the focal point of Glenmore was recalled from many

6. (Goals and Objectives, continued)

years ago.

It was suggested that as the Glenmore Recreation Centre is a long term goal, it could be broken down into several steps.

The revised list:

#	Goal/Objective		sub section	TF
1.	Transportation Safety	A.	Intersections and roadways	
		B.	Valley Road North Sexsmith corridor	
		C.	Active transportation routes (pedestrian, exercise and cycling)	
		D.	Active Transportation access to UBCO	
2.	Community Centre, Large Park and Library Branch	A.	Increase use of existing facilities and programs	
		B.	Property acquisition	
		C.	Property consolidation	
		D.	Build Facilities	L
		E.	Skateboard Facility	
3.	Restrict water use	A.	right size water usage	
		B.	water use education	
4.	Commuter use of rail line corridor			

* TF – Time Frame: S – Short, M – Medium, L – Long.

It was felt that a local hazardous waste/Recycling depot was not a necessity for Glenmore.

A member noted that there used to be a recreational facility near Glenmore Road and Kane Road. After a fire destroyed it several decades ago, the insurance money was used to improve a school building for community recreational use. At some point politics cancelled community use of the building and the matter of who paid for the improvements was lost in the annals of time.

7. Announcements.

The next General Meeting is scheduled for May 27th, 2010.

8. The meeting was adjourned at 9:25 by general consent.

Minutes recorded by Bruce Gillon