

May 17/09

Allison/Borgeson Ratepayers' Association
General Meeting May 17/09
Location: Allison Campground Picnic Area

32 members in attendance. Individual introductions were made and a sign-in List was made.

Directors: Susan Dixon, Barb Hamilton, Moe Dufour, Len Lemieux, Irene Kovacic, Paddy Nielsen. Re-elected by acclamation because no one Else would take the jobs!

Minutes of 2008 Gen Mtg read by Barb Hamilton. Motion to accept as Read by John Marconato, seconded by Walt Halbauer. Passed.

Finance: Bal. last year 432.66 Current year 956.52. Motion to accept by Moe Dufour, seconded by Len Lemieux, passed. There will be no fees for members for the year 2009. Any new members will pay \$10. per property. Susan Dixon reviewed Purpose of the association and what the dues are used for.

Old Business: High Speed Internet. Telus has no plans to upgrade the area. China Creek will apply next year for government grant. Let CC Know if you want it by contacting WEBCREW@NETHOP.NET.

New Business:

- **Possibility of garbage pick-up during summer months? Directors will look Into it.**
- **Regulations re overgrown and unkempt lots and possibility of creating a Berm along the Westside of the highway at the Allison community area. The Dept of Highways will be contacted.**
- **Motion by Paddy Nielsen, seconded by Gordon Bell to send thank you Letter under the name of ABRA to the Dept of Forests re Borgeson Lake Fire. Passed.**
- **Enquiry about lighting on streets in North Allison area. Most people Felt lights would detract from viewing the night sky and stars.**
- **Fire Safety. All properties should be maintained to prevent fires and a "phone tree" should be established for any emergencies which concern The whole community.**
- **Some books and pamphlets were made available for anyone interested Re environmental safety and lakeside living.**
- **"Allison Days" will be held on BCDay long weekend. Contact Susan Kaltenegger for info. Local 250-295-7460, Coast 604-277-0261.**
- **Len Lemieux advised that he looked into "Adopt A Highway" for ABRA. As a group we would have to pay for insurance. However, individuals who Continue to keep the highway tidy will be covered by government insurance.**
- **Moe Dufour introduced guest speaker – Brad Hope, Director Area H of**

Regional District Okanagan/Similkameen. Following are his replies to several queries which we had provided to him in advance.

- = There will be no commercial licence given to the motocross track.**
- = The Allison trail could possibly become a small government regional Park with some funding for small bridges. No motorized vehicles on The trail. Moved by Irene Kovacic, seconded by Moe Dufour to Request park designation by government, passed.**
- = Brad confirmed that HighSpeed Internet turned down for this year.**
- = RDOS has mapped fire areas. They immediately know whether Houses are in danger. If so, residents would be advised by the Fire Marshall. When fire is not a direct threat to community, people Should keep each other advised.**
- = There would be a high tax increase to have a noise by-law in effect.**
- = A survey is being sent out to residents of Area H re views to develop A community plan.**
- = Coal Bed Methane – Petrobank has had their licence extended. Brad believes it would be an environmental disaster. People should Resist.**
- = Lakeshore riding is illegal.**
- = Any special permits and zone changes require notification of Residents within 1 KM of the affected property.**
- = There will be mail-in voting for the next election of RDOS Directors.**
- = New subdivisions restricted to minimum 1 Hectare lots. There are New regulations re wells and septic.**
- = There was discussion re protecting the creek, signage to protect Riparian areas, possible eco-friendly barriers to prevent motor Vehicles from crossing the creek. A trail committee was made up of Irene Kovacic, Susan Dixon, Barb Hamilton, Tom Hamilton and John Marconato.**
- Next General Meeting will be Labour Day weekend, Sunday @ 11 am @ Allison Picnic Grounds.**
- Motion to adjourn by Barb Hamilton, seconded by Moe Dufour.**

Additional information post meeting: A property on Pike Mtn Rd behind A&P Guest Ranch has been sold. The new owner is planning to develop it into a drug Rehab centre sponsored by Corporate America Drug Rehab. Dept.of Forests has provided 500 seedlings for planting for anyone who wants them. Minutes will be mailed out to all members.