

SOUTHERN INTERIOR LOCAL GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION
Minutes of Executive Meeting – Wednesday February 4, 2015
Meeting held at OAP Hall, Lumby

MEMBERS PRESENT

President	Councillor Marg Spina
1 st Vice President	Councillor Chad Eliason
2 nd Vice President	Director Patty Hanson
Past President	Director Rhona Martin
Directors	Councillor Kim Maynard
	Director Willow MacDonald
	Mayor Marg Lampman
	Councillor Shelley Sim
Guests	Director Mike Macnabb, RDNO
	Councillor Gail Given, Kelowna
	Mayor Kevin Acton, Lumby
	Councillor Lori Mindnich, Lumby
	Councillor Julie Pilon, Lumby
	CAO Tom Kadla, Lumby
Executive Director	Alison Slater

CALL TO ORDER

President Spina called the meeting to order at 10:30 am.

LUMBY UPDATE – provided by Mayor Kevin Acton

- Lumby will be submitting a resolution on the small community funding grants.
- Lumby has the youngest population of any community in the Okanagan.
- Lumby council works very well with the RDNO directors that surround the village.
- It has a great trail system and wonderful parks. Very pedestrian friendly.

- Village of Lumby has partnered with the Splatsin First Nation to form the Monashee Community Forest LLP, a Community Forests partnership. This has been very lucrative for the Village.

- Lumby school enrolment is up but the high school doesn't offer a full course selection. They do offer a unique course "How to be a logger". Excellent foreign exchange student programs. School board is working on a Hockey Excellence program.

CONSIDERATION OF AGENDA

Moved/Seconded by Chad Eliason/Patty Hanson THAT:

The agenda to be adopted with the following additions:

New Business:

2. Proposed increase in PST.

Committee Reports:

7. In Camera

CARRIED

ADOPTION OF MINUTES

Moved/Seconded by Chad Eliason /Kim Maynard THAT:

The draft minutes of the Executive Meeting held in Kamloops on December 3rd, 2014 be adopted.

CARRIED

BUSINESS ARISING FROM MINUTES

1. Fire Department Playbook. It is a set of rules/standards from the Office of Fire Commissioner. It was brought in on October 14th as a way of the government ensuring consistency across the province in fire departments and directed by WCB to ensure firefighters are properly certified. While the certification standards haven't increased, the accounting has become more onerous.
 - Paid fire departments are OK with this new book.
 - Volunteer fire departments are not sure they can meet the new standards as it is difficult to get the volunteers trained properly. Both time and costs are issues.
 - Nothing in playbook regarding interface fires
 - Province should be obligated to provide some kind of funding to assist with the training costs.
2. First responders update.
 - Important issue for Lillooet. All highway emergency calls are attended to by responders that are part of a rescue society. This society relies on funding from government and can't afford to lose equipment with each call out.
 - Do we need more concrete barriers put up to stop cars from going over huge drops?

NEW BUSINESS

1. Other Area Association convention attendance.
 - President Spina will decide which conventions she can attend and then let the other table officers know.
2. Increase in PST.
 - Lower Mainland residents will have referendum on their transit costs and it could affect the PST. This increase will only impact the lower mainland.

CORRESPONDENCE

N/A

COMMITTEE REPORTS

1. Finance Report - Director Lampman

- As at December 31, 2014 SILGA had \$ 31,180 in the bank and \$130,607 in the MFA account.
- Directors were in receipt of the General Ledger and MFA account reconciliation to December 31, 2014.
- SILGA made approximately \$13,300 in 2014.
- BDO Canada confirmed that our convention sponsorships don't have to be charged PST.
- Honorariums have been calculated and are taxable income to the directors. T4's will be issued by the end of February.
- Gaming event Revenue Reports for 2013 and 2014 are completed.

Moved/Seconded by Chad Eliason/Marg Lampman THAT:
The Treasurer's report be received.

CARRIED

2. Convention Report

- \$62,000 in confirmed sponsors as of January 31st with 23 booths confirmed.
- All speakers have been booked as has all the entertainment

- Registration will be available by February 12th.
- LGLA session to be a joint session on Local Government/First Nations using Reconciliation Canada and Logan Lake presentations
- IHA has been offered trade show booth to extend potential awareness and partnership opportunities for our delegates
- Logan Lake has requested to do a session on first nations partnerships – community to community. This may be the LGA offering , follow up by staff.

- Staff will be heading to Kelowna to confirm the booking for the Grand for 2016. We have to hold the convention a week earlier than usual as the Grand is not available during the last week of April. SILGA has communicated with the other Area Associations – no conflicts.

- **Moved/Seconded by Rhona Martin /Willow MacDonald THAT:**

The Convention report be received.

CARRIED

3. Resolution Report

- SILGA has received two resolutions so far
- President Spina will chair the resolutions session at the convention

4. Nomination Report

- SILGA has received confirmation that Charlie Hodge, Mike Macnabb and Lori Mindnich will be running for the executive.

5. Communications Report

- A newsletter will be sent out just before the convention.
- Outreach to member communities. Updated powerpoint presentation to be sent to executive.
- Each executive has to do 3 or 4 members.

6. Healthcare Report

- Excellent push from provincial government to promote trades and technology within the schools but not to promote students into becoming doctors. High schools often don't offer all courses (sciences/math) for potential doctors.
- In the BC north, a group has started going around to elementary and high schools to promote interest in medicine in children.
- Too many female spots in medical schools causing problems as women often don't work full time
- Too many new doctors only want to do ER work and not become GPs.
- Global Medics – try to match potential doctors with a community. Only get paid when they have a match.
- Since Health Minister Lake will be attending the SILGA convention, can we get him to meet with SILGA executive after the convention? He is currently set to speak on Mental Health.

Date of Next Meeting – April 28th in Kamloops

Adjournment

Moved/Seconded by Chad Eliason/Marg Lampman THAT:

At 12:56 pm the SILGA Executive Meeting of February 4th, 2015 be adjourned.

CARRIED

Alison Slater
Executive Director