

Approved by Board:

June 18th, 2020

Chair

Lindsay Caskenette

AGM Minutes

Centre for Human Wildlife Conflict Solution
June 11, 2019, 12:10-12:59

Whitehorse Public Library Meeting Room

Members Present: Heather Ashthorn, , Lindsay Caskenette, Emily Dore, Scott Gilbert

Regrets: Cassey Andrew, Pamela Brown, Jessica Norris

Chair: Lindsay Caskenette

Minutes: Scott Gilbert

1. The meeting was called to order at 12:10. Three board members were absent and passed along their regrets. Brandon Drost and Joe Collier had sent messages prior to the meeting that their circumstances had changed and they could no longer stay on the Board. Two members of the public were in attendance. The minutes from the 2017 AGM are appended to these minutes.
2. **Year in Review.** Heather Ashthorn, the WWY Executive Director, began by welcoming Mike Walton, the ED from the Yukon Conservation Society. A comprehensive *WildWise Yukon Progress Report* dated may 31, 2019 is [available on the website](#). She then reviewed four highlights from the past year: (i) the Bear-Friendly Egg Production initiative that continues in 2019, (ii) the increased use of electric bear fencing and reports that sales by the three businesses in town (The Feed Store, Hurlburt's and Home Hardware) have been increasing, (iii) the higher profile role that WWY has taken over the past year in public consultation processes, and as examples, the feedback provided to the Fish And Wildlife Management Board on the draft Grizzly Bear Management Plan and input to various City of Whitehorse surveys, and (iv) the focus on public outreach to communicate safe wildlife viewing through the use of "rack" cards and demonstrations at Visitor Information Centres.

Heather asked for questions and Babette commented that she had read the bear article by Karen McColl in the Air North inflight magazine *North of Ordinary*. Chaofeng Zhang said she thought the rack cards wre a great way to share information with visitors. There was a brief discussion about how hard it is to keep the WWY web site up to date and especially as the volume of material to share with the public has multiplied. Mike Walton shared his NGO experience that it is critical to have a site that staff can easily update and that it can talk a great deal of work to re-structure when a site falls out of date. Emily believes there may be funding

from YG EcDev to support updating and Heather explained that the Community Development Fund was reluctant to fund such efforts.

- 3. Financial Report** The financial statements for the 2018-19 financial year was reviewed on the overhead screen and printed copies were made available. About one half of the WWY budget came from YG's Conservation Officer Services Branch and the other half came from project funders including the Fish and Wildlife Enhancement Trust, the Yellowstone to Yukon foundation, the Community Development Fund and the City of Whitehorse Environment Fund. Revenues totaled \$69,000 last year. WWY operates with low overhead costs as we have no office and we hire our ED and project staff on contracts. We spent \$1,947.50 for Ordish & Ordish reviewed the finances for 2017/18 and provided a Notice to Reader and they were found in order.

Motion: To accept the Financial Statements as presented: Scott Gilbert
Seconded: Lindsay Caskenette
Motion carried

Special resolution for category B society to waive the right to review financial statements for the year 2018-19 by a professional accountant.

Motion to accept the special resolution to waive the right to review financial statements by a professional accountant: Lindsay Caskenette
Seconded: Scott Gilbert
Motion carried

4. Board Elections: Board of Directors

Brandon Drost and Joe Collier indicated their intention to step down from the Board after serving for a year. Aimee Schmidt has had no contact with the Board since the AGM last June.

Nomination of Existing Members: Seven members indicated a willingness to remain on the Board and were nominated as follows:

Lindsay Caskenette nominated Pam Brown; Scott Gilbert seconded. All in favour.
Lindsay Caskenette nominated Babette Marold; Scott Gilbert seconded. All in favour.
Lindsay Caskenette nominated Emile Dory; Scott Gilbert seconded. All in favour.
Lindsay Caskenette nominated Cassey Andrew; Scott Gilbert seconded. All in favour.
Lindsay Caskenette nominated Jessica Norris; Scott Gilbert seconded. All in favour.
Lindsay Caskenette nominated Scott Gilbert, Emily Dory seconded. All in favour.
Scott Gilbert nominated Lindsay Caskenette; Emily Dory seconded. All in favour.

Nomination of New Members: call to the floor for nominations of new members. Heather Ashthorn nominated Rohit Kasbekar; Scott Gilbert seconded. All in favour.

Emily noted that Karine Genest will not stand for a Board position at this time but is interested in attending some meetings and perhaps volunteering.

Two additional calls to the floor for nominations were made with no response.

The first meeting of the new Board will be on June 24th at 5:30 PM.

5. **Motion** Board recorded their thanks to the Executive Director, Heather Ashthorn for the outstanding achievements of WildWise Yukon during the past year. Lindsay Caskenette, seconded Scott Gilbert. All in favour.
6. Meeting adjourned at 12:59

Approved by Board:

July 3rd, 2018

Chair

Heather Ashthorn

Draft Minutes

**Centre for Human Wildlife Conflict Solution
June 20, 2018**

12:00pm, Yukon College Rm. 2103

Board Members present: Lindsay Caskenette, Scott Gilbert, Jessica Norris, Emilie Dory, Joseph Collier, Matthew Landry, Pamela Brown, Babette Marold, Aimee Schmidt

Regrets: Cassandra Andrew

1. Meeting called to order at 12:05pm

2. 2017 AGM minutes

Motion to accept minutes: Lindsay Caskenette

Seconded: Scott Gilbert

Motion carried

3. 2018 AGM agenda

Motion to accept agenda: Pamela Brown

Seconded: Scott Gilbert

Motion carried

4. Review of financial statements

Motion to accept financial statements as presented: Scott Gilbert

Seconded: Pamela Brown

Motion carried

Statements signed by Pamela Brown & Scott Gilbert

Motion to waive financial review: Lindsay Caskenette

Seconded: Aimee Schmidt

Motion carried

Waiver signed by Lindsay Caskenette and Scott Gilbert

5. Executive Director summary of 2017/18 activities and 2018 workplan

Heather Ashthorn gave a brief summary of WildWise Yukon goals, objectives and accomplishments.

6. Election of 2018 Board of Directors

- Matthew Landry nominates Joe Collier as Director, Scott Gilbert seconded. All in favour.
- Scott Gilbert nominates Babette Marold as Director, Lindsay Caskenette seconded. All in favour.
- Lindsay Caskenette nominates Jessica Norris as Director, Scott Gilbert seconded. All in favour.
- Aimee Schmidt nominates Brandon Drost as Director, Pamela Brown seconded. All in favour.
- Pamela Brown nominates Emilie Dory as Director, Lindsay Caskenette seconded. All in favour.
- All current board members stand

The 2018 Board of Directors is:

Lindsay Caskenette – President

Scott Gilbert – Vice President

Aimee Schmidt – Secretary

Pamela Brown - Treasurer

Babette Marold – Director

Jessica Norris – Director

Brandon Drost – Director

Emilie Dory – Director

Joseph Collier – Director

Cassandra Andrew – Director

1:45 – Meeting adjourned