

**LARCH HILLS NORDIC SOCIETY**  
Special General Meeting June 11, 2019  
7:30 PM

- ♦ Adoption of the Agenda -Motion Clint Smith, 2<sup>nd</sup> Don Miller.  
Approximately 40 people in attendance.
- ♦ Announcements.
  - Larch Hills member and volunteer, **Jim Hospins** recently passed away and information was distributed for his celebration of life.
  - **Work Bee** on Thursday June 20<sup>th</sup> at Larch Hills to remove wood that was left from clearing by Rap Attack. 8:30am.
  - **Chainsaw course** will be held this Saturday and Sunday at Larch Hills.
- ♦ Presentation by the Lighting Committee Jeff Orchard, Craig McBride, Rob van Varseveld, Randi Ostby and Duncan Moore.

See attached report/ proposal for details.  
Suggestions included battery packs and motion sensors.

Construction Timeline would depend on fundraising, approvals and whether we use a multiphase or one phase building approach.

The next step toward determining actual costs will require approval by the club. Estimate at this time is \$80-100,000 per km or \$500,00 total to build. Operating \$1000/yr to light from 4-9pm.

Peter Conron who had a career in lighting including trails. He offered his expertise to the committee as needed. Discussion ensues.  
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**Proposed Trail Lighting Project Motion:**

**That the Larch Hills Nordic Society approves construction of a lit trail system at the Larch Hills Recreation Area providing that the following requirements are met:**

- Funds to undertake this project are obtained through a combination of the following:
  - Fundraising activities
  - Grants
  - Donations of cash, in kind labor, services, and supplies
  - Funds available in the LHNS “Infrastructure Account” – the Trail Lighting Committee is requesting initial “seed money” of \$10,000 to obtain Engineered Plans and a detailed estimate of construction costs for this project
  - Other sources of funding that may become available

- Formal Engineered Plans are obtained by the Trail Lighting Committee and shared with the LHNS Membership with an invitation for suggestions and feedback. Finalized plans, taking member input into consideration, are submitted to the LHNS Executive for review and approval.
- Necessary permitting and approval for this project is sought and received from relevant stakeholders and agencies including, but not limited to, B.C. Parks, Tolko Industries, Splat'sin First Nation, S57 approval with Rec Sites and Trails.
- A Wildlife Impact Assessment for this project is undertaken by a qualified professional and the report is shared with LHNS Membership and the LHNS Executive prior to any lit trail construction. The Trail Lighting Committee considers any wildlife impact of trail lighting installation and operation and incorporates any Wildlife Impact Assessment recommendations to mitigate wildlife impact into the construction and operating plan for the lit trail system.

Motion by Jeff Orchard, Kerri Orchard 2<sup>nd</sup>.  
Large Majority approved. 2 Opposed. Motion Passed.

- ♦ Motion for Adjournment  
Ed Bouma, 2<sup>nd</sup> Laura Hepburn
- ♦ Next General Meeting: October 8, 2019 7:00 pm.