

## Minutes

**Waterton-Glacier International Peace Park Association****ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING**

**10:45 am Saturday, September 12<sup>th</sup>, 2015  
Waterton Community Centre, Waterton AB**

1. The 2015 AGM of the WGIPPA was called to order at 11:18 am
2. President Terry Allen asked the Membership to recognize those Members who were deceased during the past year. Past President Chuck James of Lethbridge East was specifically noted.
3. President Terry Allen welcomed those attending the AGM and introduced the Executive and Directors in attendance. A listing of all those attending the AGM is attached as **Appendix “A”**.
4. Approval of Agenda.

**Motion: Moved by Fred Anderson/seconded by Joe McBride that the Agenda be adopted as circulated. – Carried**

5. Approval of Minutes of September 20<sup>th</sup>, 2014

**Motion: Moved by Glenn Coulter/seconded by Millie Baycroft that the Minutes of September 20<sup>th</sup>, 2014 be adopted as circulated. – Carried.**

6. WGIPPA Financial Reports:
  - a. Canadian account. The financial statements presented by Treasurer Glenn Coulter for the Canadian account are attached as **Appendix “B”**.

**Motion: Moved by Glenn Coulter/seconded by Frank Yakimchuk that the financial report for the Canadian account be accepted. – Carried.**

- b. USA account. The financial statements presented by Treasurer Millie Baycroft for the US account are attached as **Appendix “C”**.

**Motion: Moved by Millie Baycroft/seconded by Roy Beekman that the financial report for the US account be accepted. – Carried.**

- c. 2014 Host Club Financial Report Rotary Club of Missoula Sunrise (5390). The report was not available at the AGM, but has been included herein as **Appendix “D”**.

7. Business Arising from the Minutes

- a. Host Club Report  
John Vrolijk, Rotary Club of Sherwood Park (5370) expressed his sincere appreciation for the massive assistance of Bill Gordon (Rotary Club of Fort Saskatchewan; 5370) and President Terry Allen Rotary Club of Calgary South; 5360) for making the 2015 Waterton Assembly happen when he was unable to do so due to business commitments.
- b. 2016 Host Club Report (Glacier)  
John Scharf indicated that the Rotary Club of Helena (District 5390) has agreed to host the 2016 Assembly. He indicated that this was a special time as the centennial of the US National Park Service was occurring in 2016 and the Hands Across Borders Practitioner’s Workshop of which he is also on the leadership team. He indicated there were ample opportunities for Rotary Clubs to assist with funding aspects of the Workshop. It appears that the 2016 Assembly will be held at the East Glacier Lodge. They would like to coordinate speakers with the Practitioner’s Workshop. The dates are September 16<sup>th</sup> to the 18<sup>th</sup> of September, 2016. Five other Clubs in the Helena area will also be asked for assistance.
- c. Future Hosts of WGIPPA meetings?  
President Terry Allen indicated that the 2017 Assembly would be moving back to District 5360 and asked Clubs to consider hosting.
- d. Allocation of new Directors to WGIPPA

**Motion: Moved by DG 5390 Bill Spath/seconded by Millie Baycroft that the two new Directors for the WGIPPA BOD for District 5390 be Edwin Rothfuss from Kalispell and Edward Handl from Whitehall. – Carried.**

Secretary Glenn Coulter advised the Assembly that Directors had been requested from the Governors of participating Districts on two occasions and that one Director was still needed from each of Districts 5360 and 5370 and three from District 5080 on the US side.

- e. Revision of WGIPPA fiscal year  
Glenn Coulter reported to the AGM that due to the fiscal year being stated in the WGIPPA Bylaws that a Special Resolution with due notice was

required to change the Association's fiscal year. These requirements have been met. At yesterday's BOD the Board recommended that the AGM pass the proposed change to the Bylaws to amend the fiscal year.

**Motion: Moved by Glenn Coulter/seconded by John Vrolijk that:**  
**Whereas the Waterton-Glacier International Peace Park Association (WGIPPA) conducts its business on both sides of the USA-Canadian border utilizing the respective currencies of the two countries, and the WGIPPA maintains bank accounts in both the USA and Canada; and**  
**Whereas the current fiscal year for reporting financial transactions and bank account status for the WGIPPA on both sides of the border is October 1<sup>st</sup> to September 30<sup>th</sup>; and**  
**Whereas for the past many years the annual WGIPPA Assembly and Annual General Meeting (AGM) has been held in mid-September, just before the end of the fiscal year; and**  
**Whereas this results in the respective Treasurers reporting fiscal year financial statements that are almost one year behind the AGM;**  
**Therefore, be it resolved that the WGIPPA change its fiscal year from October 1<sup>st</sup> through to September 30<sup>th</sup>, to July 1<sup>st</sup> through to June 30<sup>th</sup>, and further, be it resolved that the first reporting period or fiscal year be from October 1<sup>st</sup>, 2014 to June 30<sup>th</sup>, 2016 to facilitate the WGIPPA getting in synchrony with the new fiscal year designation. - Carried**

- f. Report on status of WGIPPA web site  
Daniel Bingham brought the AGM up to date on the changes made to the WGIPPA web site and how to navigate the site. Daniel encouraged the Assembly to submit materials to the web master for incorporation into the site. Daniel was asked to incorporate the year each Director's term would end.

**Motion: Moved by John Vrolijk/seconded by all present, that an official vote of thanks be extended to Daniel Bingham for all his work in developing the new WGIPPA web site. – Carried by applause!**

- g. Discussion/action about Honorary Directors  
President Terry Allen reported that there has been no action on this item.
2. New Business
    - a. Correspondence. None has been received.
    - b. Update on BOD and Strategic Planning Meeting, Helena, MT  
Terry Allen did not have a report at this time.
    - c. President Terry Allen announced that the tentative time and place for the next BOD meeting was in April 2016 in Cranbrook, BC.

- d. Terry Allen asked Ed Handl the newly elected Director from Whitehall (5390) to stand and be recognized.
3. President Terry Allen thanked everyone for attending the AGM.
4. Adjournment. 12:14 pm