

Minutes of March 18, 2025

**A Meeting of the Gillies Bay Improvement District Board of Trustees
4:30 p.m. at the Gillies Bay Fire Hall**

Present: Roger Kimmerly (Chair), Keith Franklin, Rolly Thorpe, Lisa Alcos, Mike Corcoran (Fire Chief), Doug Nikirk (Operations Manager, George Kapetanakis (Water Operator), Juanita Walton (Corporate Officer)

Regrets: Carolanne White

1. Call to Order

Meeting called to order at 4:37 p.m.

2. Adoption to Approve the Agenda

Motion to approve an amended agenda, moved, and seconded by the Board of Trustees.

CARRIED

3. Approval of the February 18, 2025 Board of Trustee Meeting Minutes

Motion to approve the Board of Trustee Minutes of February 18, 2025, as presented, moved, and seconded by the Board of Trustees

CARRIED

4. Business Arising from the Minutes

- a. Thrift Store Lease
 - i. Letter to Linn Rairie

The Board recommended that a letter be sent to Linn regarding the necessity of a valid lease and insurance policy with a legal entity. The Thrift Store will be given until June 30 to comply.

- b. Water Meter at Schoolhouse

Motion to purchase a new commercial meter for the Schoolhouse.

CARRIED

- c. Future of Workshop
 - i. Workshop Door Replacement

The Board discussed the Fire Chief's decision to store the Kubota in the Fire Hall, rather than the workshop. A decision about the door replacement will be postponed until after a grant is explored.

- d. Sand Filtration Update

Motion to purchase 1 cubic yard of sand from Mainland Sand & Gravel and authorize expenditure for up to 1500.00.

CARRIED

5. Reports

a. Fire Chief's Report

The Fire Chief shared about a potential threat to the health clinic and the Fire Hall. There was a discussion about security at the Fire Hall, including installation of a peephole at the door and cameras. Juanita will investigate the cost.

The Fire Chief requested the installation of a standpipe at the Fire Hall for filling and cleaning the trucks, as using the hydrant wears it out prematurely.

Motion to approve the installation of a 1.5" standpipe at the Fire Hall.

CARRIED

Motion to accept the Fire Chief's Report, moved and seconded by the Board of Trustees.

CARRIED

b. Operations Manager Report

There was a discussion about sharing GBID inventory with VAID. It was agreed to sell assets to VAID at cost, as well as to share emergency parts when needed. The inventory clear-out sale will be April 9, and there have been some pre-sales. Bylaw Repeals were discussed and it was recommended to consolidate bylaws and bring them to the Finance and Governance Committee to repeal. There was a discussion about water restrictions (lawns, gardens and cars) in the summer needing to be cleared up.

Motion to accept the Operations Manager Report, moved and seconded by the Board of Trustees.

CARRIED

c. Water Operator Report

There was a discussion about the high volume of water in the lake, releasing excess water and the difficulty of fixing the centre post of the spillway until August or September when the water is lower. The saddle and valve project has been delayed as there is too much ground water. We are waiting to hear from the electrician about testing of the pumps in the pumphouse. An endoscope was used to get a picture of the water intake, and it was decided to wait to clean it. The tank is relatively clear and does not need to be cleaned this year. The altitude valve may need to be moved.

Motion to accept the Water Operator Report, moved and seconded by the Board of Trustees.

CARRIED

d. Corporate Officer Report

There was a request to consider using a volunteer to help with the re-organizing of the Fire Department files. The Board is in favour.

Motion to accept the Corporate Officer Report, moved and seconded by the Board of Trustees.

CARRIED

6. New Business

a. AGM Draft Report

The draft Trustee report was discussed. There will be a motion at the April meeting.

b. New laptop for Operations Manager

Motion to purchase a laptop for the Operations Manager for up to \$500.00.

CARRIED

c. Summer Work

Motion to consider a budget of \$1000.00 for lawncare around the Fire Hall and clearing of the fire hydrants.

CARRIED

Motion to tender for lawncare for up to \$1000.00.

CARRIED

d. Bylaw Proposals

Motion to consider Bylaw 259: GBID Water Connection Location.

That any/all GBID water connections must originate from the legal road (access) assigned to the property parcel's PID or Tax Roll address.

CARRIED

Motion to consider Bylaw 260: Minimum Water System Extension.

That any new extension of the GBID water system must be at least 100 meters in length and include a minimum of one fire hydrant. This item was tabled.

Discussion occurred about extensions being considered on a case by case basis, after the proposed TINSHS and the possible Gillies Bay Road extensions are decided.

e. Express Lines

The AGM notice, the ad for Lawn Care, and the ad for the Inventory Clear-Out Sale will be submitted for publication in the next Express Lines.

f. Grant Proposal

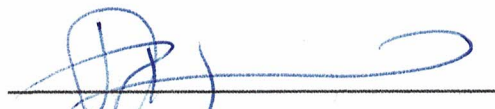
Jack Davidson (VCH) sent us grant information for developing an event or facility related to climate change and vulnerable citizens. George and Doug proposed a heat pump for the old Fire Hall for a cooling station in the summer. It was determined that the grant is for non-profits, and as such, we do not qualify for the grant.

7. Proposed meeting dates for March

Human Resources Committee	April 8, 2025 at 10:00 am
Water Committee	April 8, 2025 at 11:00 am
Finance Committee	April 9, 2025 at 4:30 pm
Board of Trustee Meeting	April 15, 2025 at 4:30 pm

Motion to adjourn at 6:19.

Approved By:


(Board Chair)


(Corporate Officer)