



**Mount Cain Alpine Park Society 2023-24 Season
Mar 05, 2024. Board Meeting Minutes**

Location: 7:00 pm Online

Name	Director	Executive Role	In Attendance
David Mazzucchi	Grant Applications	Chair	Absent
Dean Hunchuk	Buildings and Construction	Vice Chair	
Eric Sprenger	Technology, Ticket Booth	Treasurer	
Dave Steele	Operations- Lifts	Secretary	
Erin Pickering	Communications		
Rob Webb	Patrol		
Christian Tuters	Ski Shop and Snow School		
Darren Anonson	Operations- Snow Machines / Events		
Mike Green	Operations- Road/Generators		Absent
Lynette Tanaka	Human Resources		
Drew Nagainis	Occupational Health and Safety		
Alec McBeath	Administration		
Dazy Weymer	Summer Operations/ RV Park		
Vacant	Hospitality		

Called to Order 7:02

Dean Hunchuk Chair; Erin Pickering Recording Secretary

Agenda:

1. Land Acknowledgement

Mount Cain, located in the territory of the 'N̓amgis First Nation. The mountainous area near the Davie River, is known as Papikalan in Kwak'wala, meaning "place of marmots". The Mount Cain Alpine Society honors and respects our relationship with this Nation and is grateful to be able to recreate on these lands.

2. Adoption of February 6 2024, minutes - APPROVED

3. Additions to and adoption the March 5 Agenda:

Motion by E Sprenger; Seconded Erin Pickering **Motion Carried.**

ACTIONS

- **FOLLOW UP ON OVERDUE PAD RENT** – Dazy W – **Completed All Paid.**
- **GENERATORS** – Mike G to follow up on 480kv generator availability in terms of rental units in CR - in progress
- **GENERATORS** – Wiring adjustments so a rental unit can be plug and play – Dean H - discussed with electrician – item in progress/ pending larger generator conversation.
- **NAMGIS CABIN** – Erin to touch base with Mike G and Geza – in progress – still in need of caretaker to manage this cabin – may work to have a trail run at some point this month.
- **KAPITANY BBQ** – Drew - **completed in January.**
- **LOAD UP YOUR SEASONS PASS Promotions** – Erin and Eric collaboration – completed.
- **EMPLOYEE BIO** - needs to be voluntary, light and funny – get to know your mountain staff – all directors look for volunteers - **abandoned.**
- **CERIP** David M will follow up with the grant administrator and ide an update to the board via email to Board members to Check Email for updates. - **Applied for an extension to March 31 – GRANTED/ Completed.**
- **AVALANCHE SAFETY PLAN** Dave, Drew, and Greg WCB site visit and CWSSA follow-up regarding avalanche assessment. Will be in contact with WorkSafe, plan to meet at the end of Jan, and will wait until hill is operational. **In progress/ waiting for WCB to get back to us. Planning Meeting ITEM?**
- **CLIMATE CHANGE ADAPTION GRANT** that would assist with access to L2/L3 for both summer operations as well as early season access to the upper mountain - David M - in progress
- **RV TENANTS TO COMPLETE outhouse RAILINGS ETC** - in progress and waiting for VIHA approval.
- **DROUGHT CONTINGENCY** to be added to planning document and Water System ERP. - **COMPLETED** – if we experience a drought, we close the hill.
 - **Further action** – begin monitoring our well levels and analyze for concern.
- **RDMW GRANT IN AID REQUEST - Schedule Special Meeting and get BOD contributions @ Nov board meeting - . PLANNING MEETING ITEM**
- **Signage Updates** Dave S. In Progress
 - **Further action** – Alec has signage to be posted on hill – volunteers will be needed.

4. Directors' reports

David Mazzucchi - Director of Grants – Chair - Absent Report submitted.

We have been invited to participate in the second round of the Climate Change adaptation grant, which is 3 online workshops in March.

By March 29th, I need to submit a final report and show at least \$874,000 in receipts for the CRIP grant, or we must return the unclaimed money.

Please sign up for DOD shifts.

Multiple people have approached me about extending the season to late April. Added value for season pass purchasers. - Discussion but not likely feasible as key staff do not want to work past mid-April.

Discussion: Would not likely be a financial gain due to folks shifting into spring. Perhaps a bonus weekend? Do we run for a full two-week spring break?

Member complaints about the accommodation booking system – suggested lottery to allow folks with slow internet to have a chance to book. - **Planning meeting.**

The first set of March water samples were delivered to Bureau Veritas in Courtenay by Brad Kilgour this morning.

CWSAA is planning to be at Mt Cain this weekend. Christopher said that he would email when the plans are confirmed.

Dean Hunchuk - Buildings and Construction - Vice Chair

1. Lodge project –

- Currently showing \$847,896.81 spent from the \$874K Grant (\$26,103.19 left in budget). Expecting another engineering invoice from HSI.
- Septic system – 5000-gallon tank this year – signed by engineer and application submitted. Final inspection happened today (March 5, 2024). Should be able to use them going forward.
- Phase 2 - back of ski shop to be finished in late spring/early summer. We will spend 100% of our grant, so we will need an additional ~\$25-30k from our own coffers. Won't be anywhere close to spending the budgeted additional 400k that was set out originally.
- Kitchen fan – belt replaced – seems to be working better but a new fan may still be required.
- Further kitchen upgrades are also required - ~\$20-25K. **Planning meeting discussion**
- Further electrical work required to help split load on generators when lodge powered up.

2. Washrooms

- New RV Park outhouse – 90% complete – application completed.
- **Complaint received by VIHA septic inspectors regarding outhouse use.**

- *Dean Hunchuk has been in contact with VIHA and assured them that the new RV park outhouse is not set up and not being used. We need to apply for the old RV park outhouse.*
- 3. Fire extinguishers – getting some hydrotested and re-certified. Lock2Fit will do a site visit in March to do remainder of extinguisher not requiring hydrotesting. Will also look to do locks on shop. IN PROGRESS
- 4. Kapitany received new heating system and hot water system.
- 5. Shop lighting to be completed this season by Strathcona, and will be aiming to complete this season.

March 31st, report is due for full accountability of funds spent. Dean aiming to have everything buttoned up by the end of February 2024. No later than 2weeks into March. IN PROGRESS

Erin Pickering: Suggested an action item with Dean to have a complete list of items that have been accomplished published out to membership. IN PROGRESS

Dave Steele - Operations- Lifts – Secretary

Operational updates

- Technical Safety BC, onsite inspection of upper lift and bunny hill will be scheduled if there are continuity of operations
- L3 D500 Rebuild is underway, will follow up with a timeline
- Power consumption for lifts to be measured and factored into generator upgrades
- Signage still not replaced on lower lift
- Upgraded e-stop buttons received

Discussion Items

- Outcomes from RDMW visit -
 - Action: Dave S to connect with David M who was on site for the visit.

Christian Tutters - Ski Shop and Snow School

- CASI Level 1 Snowboard instructor course now to be held on March 22-24
 - The course was full, everyone that was signed up was not refunded when postponed last time. CASI will reach out to each person individually. If they want to take the course on the new dates, they will be registered. If not, refunds will be issued.
 - The course will run with a minimum of 4 participants

- Kindred high performance demo skis are in the shop to rent out. I will get something on Instagram about this to promote them. - **Action –Send Erin promo information too.**
- Wolfpack is running again on Sundays.
- I have new race gates and brush bases at my house. Not sure when I will bring these up as I still need to assemble them

Alec McBeath - Administration

No report at this time.

Eric Sprenger – Technology – Ticket Booth - Treasurer

- TB had \$21,720 in sales this last weekend.
- Ski Shop had \$6,306 in sales this last weekend.
- “Mount Cain Guest” wifi is now gone, all wifi’s are back to normal.
- Phone wasn’t working because someone had fiddled with the equipment.
- Quick update on member situation.

Discussion: Amend the RV Park documents to ask information about how tenants are collecting and disposing of grey water. Possibly also include pictures. I think we owe members a follow up after questions at the last AGM.

- Action item: Eric and Dazy to update agreement forms.

Dazy Weymer - RV Park & Summer Ops

RV Update after meeting RDMW – require a site plan – Dean will connect with Dazy. Temporary use agreements will be needed moving forward.

- Concerns about how we are to manage the RVs within the MCAPS base area operations if everyone then has agreement with the RD – how would that work? Have asked to see about the RDMW about allowing MCAPS to have one temporary permit administered by MCAPS

Action – Dazy to continue conversation with RDMW and share current RV documentation and processes with them. Dazy has heard from RDMW that MCAPS should consider removing the RVs that sit outside the base area.

Nothing to report on summer ops at this time.

Drew Nagainis - Occupational Health and Safety

Nothing new to report.

Darren Anonson- Ops Snowmachines/Events

- First weekend back was a success, new groomer operator is getting the hang of our machines and circuits and the team is meshing nicely.
- Machines are running good

Events - big big thanks to Kieren for all her amazing work!!

Backcountry Fest & Viking Fest are this weekend. We are looking for volunteers, please let me know if you are able to help in the beer garden, setting up beer garden or selling raffle ticket. Any servers need to have serving it right.

If no volunteers we can "hire help" from Turks which will cost the mountain about \$300

Beer is donated by CBC and Devils bath all proceeds going to the mountain. Given the fact we have had a bust season I've let sponsors know it's just to help Mt Cain this year in general.

Erin Pickering – Communications & temporary Accommodations portfolio

- No report at this time.

Mike Green - Operations- Road/Generators

- Absent, no report at this time.

Rob Webb, - Ski Patrol

- No report at this time.

Lynette Tanaka, Human Resources

- No report at this time.

Meeting Adjourned 8:43pm