

Shuswap Naturalist Club
Minutes of the meeting of June 4, 2019
Place: Peter Jannink Park
Time: 4:00 pm

1. Ed McDonald welcomed participants.
2. Minutes of the meeting of May 7th, 2019. Approved on a motion by Sarah Weaver.
3. Treasurer's Report. Information provided by Ted Hilary:
 - Receipts in May:
 - Raffle, \$7.30, Interest, 0.39, Coffee, 19.45
 - Disbursements in May:
 - Logo, \$201.60
 - Bank Balance for June 4th: \$4 374.01
 - Patronage account \$0.89
4. Announcements:
 - Ed reported on the recent deaths of two members, Jim Hoskins and Alandra Nayre.
 - Comments related to the volunteer work of Jim Hoskins included reference to a need for paint for a sign. Volunteer help and paint were offered.
5. Business
 - a) Clint Smith reported on the needs for some maintenance work on the Larch Hills Interpretative trail which was set up during the 70's and 80's. Now the landscape has greatly changed and some signs and structures need replacement. Some members will gather on Saturday to view the trail and assess needs.
 - b) Dianne reported on the topics at the AGM in Duncan in May such as bylaw changes, insurance changes, elections, discussion of IBA's, IPCC discussion, the importance of citizen science. Gary Hunt, regional coordinator, offered to attend one of our meetings. Facebook is recommended for recruiting new members.
 - c) City Bylaws: The issue of including cats and protecting birds in city bylaws was raised with some discussion. Motion: by Anne C and Greg W. that the Shuswap Naturalist Club pursue the IBA designation for Salmon Arm Bay. Carried. Motion: by Joyce H and Marlene McD that the Shuswap Naturalist Club support pursuing the city to have a cat bylaw. Carried.
6. Show and Tell

Ed McD told about the heron chicks that fell out of the nest, were taken to the Kamloops Wildlife Centre but did not survive.

Anne C. reported on flying squirrel babies in her bird box and Carla observed a Great Horned Owl chick.

7. Reports and Sightings

Several lazuli buntings, fighting black bears were noted.

Members are reminded of the outing on Thursday.

8. Adjournment moved by Marlene.

Picnic supper followed. Mirella Ramsay came to tell the members about her Mirella Project.