

Kaslo Trailblazers Society
Board of Directors August 4, 2011 Meeting Minutes (7pm at Tom's house)

In Attendance: Tom Duchastel, Ken Butt, Stu Heard
Absent: Val Koenig

Discussion: The general topic of this meeting was the 5th St Bridge

Tammy Horick has asked whether we will start building the 5th St Bridge this autumn, since we should be applying for grants soon if that is the case. In an e-mail to the Directors she states: "When I last talked to Val at the end of May, he felt that we should start building the 5th Street/Unity bridge this fall if we had achieved 50% of our funding. He also indicated that Columbia Basin Trust had budgeted \$25,000 toward the bridge, which will push us over \$90,000 and very close to that 50% threshold.

Foundations and corporate sponsors take seriously the 50% funded and 12 months to completion time frame as measures of our project's legitimacy and appeal. If we will begin construction in the fall then this is the time to officially get the money from CBT and embark on a serious grant-writing drive. Obviously I don't know how much we can actually get, but any grant money awarded may be pulled back if we don't complete the bridge in 2012."

After some discussion of the above plus details of the bridge construction, the following were action items for the Directors:

- Tom will contact Silvio about transferring the existing engineering information to the Board. He will also contact and possibly meet with Marc Luc ? who is a local expert in suspension bridge design and construction.
- Ken will contact Penco Engineering to determine where the engineering report is at
- Stu will contact Tammy to review details of the grant application requirements.

There was some discussion about involving Paddy Flanigan if we are going to build a cable suspension bridge.

It was agreed that we need to meet again in the next short while to determine how to proceed with the 5th St Bridge project.

Meeting adjourned at 7:30pm