

Fletcher Creek Improvement District 2019 Trustee Report

The Board welcomes the following new residents to the Fletcher Creek Improvement District (FCID) in 2019:

- Corey Baker
- Ivan Metzlar and Jen Craig -Evans
- Kathleen and Peter Sonnenberg

We were saddened by the sudden loss of Lionel Peltier to illness, and extend our sympathies to Diane over the loss of her husband who so deeply loved spending his summers here. Lance and Tina McLaren requested withdrawal of their property from our boundaries, and this transaction was completed by the end of the year.

The year saw a transition in governance and staffing for the FCID. A new slate of Board members was elected in September 2019: Steve Scott (subsequently voted to be Chair), Robert Cunliffe, Joe Kern, Keith Mathers, and Margaret Wanke. Recruitment for a Secretary Treasurer commenced in the late fall, and we were pleased to announce the addition of Donna Butt to our team in January 2020. Joe Kern agreed to serve as our general maintenance person.

The Board established two main goals for 2020. The first was to complete the connections required for the Baker and Baumgardner properties along Twin Bays Road as well as the Wlosek property on the Frontage Road, the latter made possible because of the McLaren disconnection from our system. This work was completed successfully in the spring of 2020 and we are pleased to report that curbstops are now in place for all the original lots planned for the Improvement District.

The second goal for 2020 involved initiating work on a centralized water treatment system. A report by 9dot Engineering and Aquadiversities, completed in April 2019, provided an overall description of our water system, proposed system components and an implementation timeframe. Unfortunately, the estimated budget of \$519,000 was deemed unaffordable by the FCID membership which did not support borrowing money to achieve this solution. In October 2019, two Board members met with Renee Ansell, Environmental Health Officer, Interior Health to discuss the ongoing issue of water treatment for our District. Renee suggested we consider a phased approach focused first on filtration and on a consistent water testing/monitoring system. The Board subsequently developed a Framework for a Staged Approach for Centralized Water Treatment (included in the AGM package) which was shared with Interior Health and deemed an acceptable approach for moving forward. The Board also developed and implemented a framework for water testing that has also been shared and approved by Interior Health (available on the FCID website under Documents).

The phased approach to treatment will allow the district to move forward with measured steps to keep within the financial limits of our capital funds. The Board does not intend to borrow money for any of the planned stages. Currently, we have engaged the support of an engineering firm in Nelson to assist the district in determining the best location for the eventual treatment building. Once the location has been decided, the permitting process will begin with the RDCK for the issuance of a building permit, and with Interior Health for a permit for the water treatment system.

Respectfully submitted,
Steve Scott, Chair