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**2026 ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING MINUTES
SECHELT GROVES SOCIETY**

2 PM – Sunday, May 31st, 2026 at 5823 Skookumchuk Rd., Sechelt, BC

1. Welcome and call to order at 2 pm by President Davidson. All members of the Board of Directors were in attendance.
2. There were no additions to the Agenda.
3. The President called for a motion to adopt the agenda – moved by Terry Nichol – seconded by John Campbell. Carried.
4. Motion to approve the minutes of the last general meeting of the Society, April 27th, 2025 - moved by Michael Davidson - seconded by Terry Nichol. Carried.
5. The current Board of Directors: Michael Davidson, John Campbell, Nancy Smith, Howard Baker, Ken Kolterman and Terry Nichol will continue to serve the second year of their current two year term. There were no other nominations from the floor.
6. President's Report on the past 12 months of Society activity:
 - regular trail maintenance is ongoing - upgrades to the Gertrude Pacific Trail in the Heritage Forest (Saturday crew) - upgrades to the lavender trail in Hidden Grove (Wednesday crew)
 - drainage issues on the Gray Creek are being addressed
 - less garbage / fewer cigarette butts have been observed discarded on trails and in parking area - signs are helping
 - great to see the native plantings doing so well this spring! Thanks were offered to Ken Kolterman who has been the bearer of water and to all those who have assisted with watering and weeding, contributing to the successful reintroduction of these native plants
7. Secretary / Treasurer's Report presented by the President (Financial Statements on reverse side of agenda handed out to attendees upon their sign in):
 - a) Review of financials for fiscal year 2025 and summation to date:
 - biggest expenses for the year were trail building expenses and the annual Trailbuilder's dinner
 - the Society received a couple of generous donations from family foundations
 - balance as of May 31, 2026 was \$33,276.00
 - b) Membership details:
 - at the end of 2025, there were approximately 80 paid memberships. In addition to this there were just over 20 complimentary memberships for Trailbuilders.Motion to accept both reports – moved by John Campbell – seconded by Terry Nichol. Carried.
Gratitude was extended to Michael Davidson for his completion of the necessary reports filed annually on behalf of the Society
8. More detailed comments on trail building activity:
 - Terry Nichol praised the efforts of the Wednesday and Saturday crews, noting the number of accolades from people who enjoy the trails
 - thanks were also offered to the leaders of the trailbuilding crews, Michael Davidson and Terry Nichol for being so welcoming to newcomers and so helpful with their guidance

- the Saturday crew will continue the upgrades to the Gertrude Pacific Trail on the east side of Sechelt Inlet Road when finished on the west side
- ideas for bridge repair / relocation were discussed (Heritage Forest) as well as plans to add another bank of native plantings in northeastern part of parking lot (Groves) hopefully this fall

9. There were no additional agenda items.

10. Open discussion:

- Is it time for a review of our Society bylaws? - Nancy Smith to work with Michael Davidson on this
- The kiosk and bench could use some care - Terry Nichol and John Campbell will take this on

11. Motion to adjourn at 2:55 pm - moved by Terry Nichol - seconded by John Campbell