

Clear Lake Cottagers' Association
Board Meeting
23 June 2015

Minutes

1. Call to Order – President Derek called the meeting to order at 6:55 p.m.

Present Derek Stewart, Howie Longfellow, Claude McGrath, Yvette Morrison, Bob Jolley
Regrets Serge Giroux, Len Tighe, Lois Dobson
2. Adoption of Agenda – Moved by Yvette, seconded by Claude that the agenda be accepted .
Carried
3. Review of Minutes – The minutes of the 3 August 2014 AGM were reviewed and tabled for approval at this year's AGM with no suggested amendments.
4. Treasurer's Report – Yvette reported a present bank balance of \$1,292.18. Derek inquired if there were any outstanding costs associated to the development of the website. Howie advised that he had developed the site at no costs as his contribution to CLCA. At present there are no maintenance costs, but there is a website registration fee of \$25.00 every two years that cannot be avoided. Agreed that CLCA will reimburse Howie for any such fees. – Moved by Howie seconded by Derek that the Treasurer's report be accepted. Thanks to Howie for his dedication to CLCA.
5. President's Report – Derek reserved any remarks for discussion of Old & New Business
6. Membership – Yvette reported that she continues to receive annual fees. Many members have prepaid for future years. She will be updating the "Paid "category in Board records and sharing it with the Board in the near future. Based on an increase of full time residency, the Board intends to contact any full time residents who have not yet joined CLCA to see if they are interested in joining.
7. Marker Buoys – Claude confirmed buoys have been set on the lake. He reported that it may be necessary to recruit additional volunteers for this task to address attrition. He and Derek plan to fabricate some new Buoy weights later this year to replace older ones next Spring.

At the 2014 AGM Mary Laird volunteered to take on the Loon Watch Study. Howie reports providing documentation to Mary, but suggests a \$55.00 fee registration fee may apply. Members reported that there does not seem to be as great a presence of Loons on the lake as has been observed in the past. Derek will liaise with Mary regarding the study.
8. Spring Clean- up – Carole Ann Friedrich coordinate this years' cleanup on a very raining Saturday morning in May. There was generally less garbage at roadside, but two illegal dumping sites were

located at the public beach and off of Clear Lake Rd south of the landfill site. These incidents were reported to police. It would appear that public works may have cleaned up the Beach area subsequent to the report being made.

9. Old Business Parking on Clear Lake Rd.at Lake Tonnerre - It appears that a “no parking” sign was installed, but parking continues to be a concern as it causes a safety hazard. The width of the roadway at this location was also addressed at the Denmark Hearing before the Ontario Municipal Board. The OMB had recommended that Luc Rifou, West Nipissing Road superintendent discuss this with CLCA. He has failed to respond to a 2014 letter from the Board. Agreed that a second letter would be sent to Mr. Rifou, West Nip Operations Manager and Mayor Savage...

Camp Island Signage – The Board has not heard back from Mayor Savage on this issue. New inquiries will be directed.

Brushing Intersection Southshore Rd and Clear Lake Rd. – Mayor Savage followed through on her commitment and the area was cleared in 2014 as promised.

Denmark Quarry – Rumours would indicate that no further action has been taken to establish a quarry on Clear Lake Rd. The Board will continue to monitor and report.

10. New Business

2015 Spring Newsletter has been mailed out to 161 residents / by email to 48

Notice for AGM will be issued in mid July

New Pond (Northshore Rd). Beaver damming has created a large pond to the north of Northshore Rd behind the landfill. Agreed that the Board would report this to Public Works, indicating concerns that rapid busting of the dams may jeopardize residents downstream and leaching of contaminants from the landfill may eventually reach the Sturgeon River.

Dead Trees on Road Allowance. As a result of the spruce budworm infestation, the Board agreed that a letter would be directed to public works requesting that large dead trees on the road allowance along area roads be removed to reduce the danger associated to falling on passers by

Road upgrades – West Nipissing reports Northshore Rd will be upgraded in 2015 to prevent future washouts.

Derek will purchase two CTC gift cards for the AGM. (late addition to minutes)

11. Next Meeting DATE: 2 Aug 2015

12. Adjournment Moved by Claude, seconded by Howie that the meeting be adjourned.