

## MINUTES – DLAI ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

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AUGUST 17<sup>TH</sup>, 2013 AT 10 AM

**Meeting called to order** by Judy Hall and the directors were introduced to the attending members.

**Review of Minutes:** members were given time to review the minutes and ask questions. Motion to accept the minutes as reviewed was put forward to by Rick Dunn and seconded by Ron Jones. The motion passed unanimously.

**Financial Report:** copies of the financial report for 2013 were given to the members present. Motion to accept the financial report for 2013 was put forward by Rick Dunn and seconded by Stewart Holmes. The motion passed unanimously.

### **Business Arising:**

**Lake Links meeting** in October: Judy thanked Steve Barrett for attending the day long meeting with her in Perth. Both representatives found the meetings very informative and worth the time involved.

**Centennial Beach:** due to the high e.coli count in the spring testing by the Health Unit a request was made to be put on their email list but the request was declined due to volume and regulations. They have provided their web site for residence to follow the testing for themselves. The website is [www.healthunit.org/water/testbeaches](http://www.healthunit.org/water/testbeaches) Please feel free to check whenever you have concerns. Deputy Mayor Brian Stewart has kindly offered to forward the lake association any emails he receives from the health unit regarding the testing of Centennial Beach.

**Water Testing:** The results of the 2012 and July 2013 water testing were given out to the members. The September 2013 testing will be collected at the appropriate time. It was noted that we have one of the cleanest lakes in the area. There was a good discussion about ways to keep our lake clean and many suggestions were put out for consideration. The directors will look at the possibility of creating a handout with information about what we as individual property owners can do to maintain our beautiful clean lake. Thank you to Tom Burnell-Jones and Steve McDonald who have offered to help the directors put together an information package. Hopefully we can look forward to seeing this in the next cottage season. A motion was put forward by Carol Thivierge to continue the water testing in July and September 2014 and to continue testing the same four locations in the lake those being the head of the lake, mid lake

on both sides of the lake and at the foot of the lake. Motion seconded by Christine Stewart. The motion passed unanimously.

**Picnic Tables:** The picnic table that were purchased by the DLAI and built for us by Warren McMeekin are now under the gazebo at Centennial Park and will be ready for staining next year. A huge thank you to Warren for his time and effort on behalf of the DLAI. Brian Stewart has volunteered to remove the old tables as they are very unstable and not safe for use.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

**Insurance:** Motion put forward Pat Jones, seconded by Bruce Patrick to renew the DLAI insurance policy. The motion passed unanimously.

**Web Site:** Bryan Wood has kindly volunteered to take over management of the website. It was moved by Ron Jones, seconded by Bruce Patrick that hosting the website by Sibername be renewed for another year. The motion passed unanimously.

**Membership Fee:** It was moved by Bruce Patrick, seconded by Pat Jones that the membership fee remain at \$15 for 2014 and the mail out for the membership drive continue. The motion passed unanimously.

**Fish Stocking:** Deputy Mayor Brian Stewart and President of the DLAI were invited to the Sugar Bush Hill Road Association Meeting. Tom Burnell-Jones is looking into the possibility of having the Ministry of Natural Resources restock the lake with Walleye. There was much discussion over the proper channels, cost and the responsibility of restocking a lake. Tom Burnell-Jones has been in contact with Joff Cote who is the District Fisheries Management Biologist for the Ministry of Natural Resources. Tom will continue to pursue this and will keep the DLAI informed of his progress. One of the steps before a lake is restocked is to have testing of the lake. A motion was put forth by Tom Burnell-Jones to try and have our lake put on the list for fixed testing and seconded by Steve McDonald. Some other suggestions were to invite Joff Cote to speak at our next information meeting and to send a letter to the MNR requesting more monitoring of the sanctuary and the fishing laws. The directors will consider this at their next meeting.

**Fire Works:** there was discussion about financial support to the fireworks and how we would continue to give support. Motion by Margo Burnett, seconded by Diane Bennett to give \$200.00 from the DLAI funds and continue to ask the membership to donate as they wish when they are paying their membership fee. The motion passed unanimously.

**Membership meetings:** It was moved by Pat Jones, seconded by Margo Barrett that the same structure of 2 meetings per year remain for 2014. The motion passed unanimously.

**Flotilla:** The directors will consider resuming the July 1<sup>st</sup> Flotilla for 2014 so if members think it is a worthwhile event they should let their director know so they can bring back their views to the directors meeting.

**Election of Directors:** in section 6 Carol Thivierge declined the directorship and nominated Diane Bennett for director. Diane agreed to let her name stand. All the other current directors agreed to continue. It was moved by Ron Jones, seconded by Christine Stewart that the directors for 2013/2014 be approved as follows:

Section 1: Vacant

Section 2: Jim Brown

Section3: Bruce Patrick

Section 4: Rick Dunn

Section5: Judy Hall

Section 6: Diane Bennett

Director at Large: Vacant

**Guest Speaker: Councillor for Ward 6 and Deputy Mayor of Lanark Highlands Brian Stewart** spoke to the membership about the role of County Council. He discussed the makeup of the council and the responsibilities they have. Some points of interest are that the county has received a grant for \$2 million dollars to repair the bridge on Hwy 511. The bridge on the French line has received a grant for \$1 Million dollars and work will start this week. The Lanark Arena will get a new ice plant and will be paid for from the interest made on the water/sewage fund. Four wheelers are now allowed on the roads and are subject to posted speeds and all traffic laws and they are not required to get off the road to allow a car to pass. The car has the responsibility to pass safely according to traffic laws.

**The 50/50 draw** was held at the end of the meeting, \$16.00 was won by Christine Stewart.

Meeting was adjourned at approximately 1200 noon.

A short **directors meeting** was conducted after the AGM to elect officers.

Carol Thivierge was appointed Director at Large and Secretary/Treasurer

Pat Jones will act as director for section 1 until a representative from that area is recruited.

Judy Hall was appointed as President

Bruce Patrick was appointed as Vice President