

Crystal Lake Cottagers Association
Annual General Meeting
June 4th, 2017 10:00 a.m. - Galway Hall

President, John Hubbard opened the meeting at 10:00 a.m., there were 82 people in attendance at the meeting.

Previous Minutes:

Sharon Brickman advised that the previous AGM minutes had been posted on the CLCA website and asked if anyone had any questions or concerns, as no one did, it was moved by Bill Phillips and seconded by Steve Simpson, that the minutes from the 2016 AGM be adopted as posted on the CLCA website - all in favour

Financial Report: (Carol Ing)

Carol Ing, Interim Treasurer, provided copies of the financial statements (copy attached) and circulated a copy of the 2017 budget

John Hubbard thanked Don Langlois (absent) for his years of service to CLCA as Treasurer.

Carol advised that as a result of her review of the financial documentation related to her transition to Interim Treasurer it was noted that there were discrepancies for both 2015 and 2016 between revenues and actuals as deposited to the CLCA banks accounts. The CLCA executive feel, with all confidence, that this was an unintentional action. In addition, CLCA executive have conducted extensive follow-up and review and are currently working on finalizing this process. As a result of the 2015 and 2016 deficit positions, a 2017 budget was drawn up which projects that we will be in good standing moving forward. (see attached).

There were some questions from the membership related to the on-going expenditures of the CLCA. John explained to the members that our membership numbers are in good shape moving forward, we have increased our advertisers, have imposed additional controls and reduced some of our commitments to ensure that our expenditures and income are back on track for 2017

Moved by Neil Miskell and seconded by Bo Petroff that the 2016 financial report be adopted as presented - all in favour

Membership: (Sarah Petrik)

Sarah advised that we currently have 120 members to date for 2017. Memberships continue to come in through the website and mail.

John Hubbard made the point that it is very important to get our membership numbers up in order to ensure that we have recognition with regulatory agencies.

Several members have offered to promote membership and go Door-to-Door to residents to hand out membership forms, newsletter, welcome package.

General Information (Christine Brickman)

Municipal Issues:

- Chris attended a special Council Mtg. for ratepayer groups on June 3rd;
- 2016 septic re-inspection concentrated on Pigeon Lake
- 2017 it will be Buckhorn and Salmon Lake
- “Passport 2017” will take place, White’s Beach is a “check point”
- the next Municipal Election will provide for e-voting. Chris expressed the importance of voting, and attending all candidates meetings. Advised that we need a “Galway” candidate
- There is a study underway looking at the centralization of the Public Works sites, one of the options is to use the Hwy. 49 site, there is a committee being formed and hopefully members of the public will be asked to participate
- Once again, a request has been made for hardtop for East and West Clear Bay Roads, this request has been made
for 4 years running now
- Twp. Staff have done some work at White’s Beach this spring; poison ivy control, mulch and signage

Address changes:

- All postal addresses will be changing from Kinmount to Trent Lakes
- some 911 numbers will be adjusted
- Canada Post will provide one-year of forwarding
- this change is being initiated and mandated by Canada Post in order to align postal addresses with the corresponding Municipality

MPAC:

- average property value is \$358k for 2017, in 2016 it was \$348k. There will be average increases of \$16.94/100k of value

Website/Internet:

- we continue to get high traffic volume on our website which is great for our advertisers
- there is a Federal program being initiated to provide Internet service to “dead” zones in Ontario (Digital Canada 150)

Local Businesses:

- the Foodland in Town has now changed hands - thanks to Tom and Sue Lang for their support for CLCA events over the years. The new owners are very keen to serve the local community as well
- Gary Round spoke a bit about the proposed gas station in Kinmount;
 - permits are in place
 - above ground tanks
 - #4 on the developers priority list and hoping for late 2017 or 2018

Fishery:

- A question was asked about the status of the stocking program on Crystal Lake. Action; Sharon Brickman will call MNR to get answers on this issue
- Follow-up; MNR has been contacted and they advised that 1200 Lake Trout were deposited in Crystal Lake in 2017. The lake is stocked every second year on a continuing basis

Discount Program:

- Walsten's Marine, Shop and Save and Austin's Lumber continue to support the discount program for CLCA members

Welcome Signs:

- Plants are now in for the season at a cost of \$200
- Another planter has been stolen (2 for 2017)
- Chris and Mike and the Hubbard Family will do the required maintenance and watering for 2017

Canada Day 150:

- CLCA will sponsor an event at White's Beach;
 - Ice Cream
 - Hot dogs
 - games
- We are looking for donations and sponsorship. Hoping that Federal programs will provide pins and flags through Mariam Monsef's office

Cottage Succession Seminar:

- free for FOCA members (all CLCA members)
- Apsley, July 29th, 2017

Rock Bass Derby (Monique Lloyd):

- will be held on August 6th, 2017, fishing will start at 8 a.m. and weigh in is at 3 p.m.
- looking for donations and volunteers
- fee will likely be \$5 per individual (not team)

Lake Report:

- Michael Olejnik (unable to attend) has ordered the sampling kits for this year and will provide the 2016 results in the near future

CLCA Elections 2017;

The following positions were filled by acclamation:

President – John Hubbard

Vice President – Chris Brickman

Treasurer – Carol Ing

Membership Secretary – Sarah Petrik

Secretary – Sharon Brickman

Board Members;

-Mike Leblanc

-Monique Lloyd

-Carl Brickman

-Don Langlois

Moved by Gary Round and Seconded by Sherry Whiteway that the elections be closed. - all in favour

Directors Actions:

Moved by Barry Abelson and Seconded by Bonnie Berry, that the actions of the Directors be approved - all in favour

Galway Hall; (Bill Lee)

-The Galway Hall Committee is looking for volunteers

-Bill Highlighted the key annual fundraisers that support the hall; Strawberry Supper (Canada Day – 4-7pm) and the Turkey Supper 1st Saturday in November (4-7pm – usually sells out)

-The Friends of Galway (FOG) is creating a pictorial history of the Galway area and they are looking for photos of Crystal Lake

-FOG is going to sponsor a self-guided tour of Galway for the Kinmount Fair weekend, more information to follow

Door Prize Draws were held;

-5 Prizes were awarded

Meeting was adjourned at 11:30 a.m.

Guest speaker Tara Stephen from the County of Peterborough , Waste Management Department did a very helpful demonstration of how to sort a bag of garbage into recycling, other “divertables” and garbage.

There were many questions and everyone seemed to appreciate the Information provided.