

HLCA AGM Meeting – May 18, 2019
Minutes of Meeting

MINUTES of the Annual General Meeting (the **Meeting**) of the Haliburton Lake Cottagers' Association ("**HLCA**") held on **Saturday May 18, 2019**.

Start – 10:00am

Welcome and recognize of the Association and those in attendance.

Present:

Glenn Scott, President
Nick Mezzapelli, Director
Connor Blackwell, Director
Owen Blackwell, Director
Candice Bradbury, Director
Pat Berne, Director
Jill Macgillivray, Director

INTRODUCTION OF GUEST SPEAKERS / PRESENTERS

Nick Mezzapelli – Lake Steward
Lisa Thompkins – Executive Director, Haliburton Highlands Health Services Foundation (HHHSF)
John Smith – Septic Inspection Lead, Kennisis Lake Cottage Owners Assoc (KLCOA)
Andrea Roberts / Walt McKechnie – Dysart Update
Serena Thompson – Regatta Lead

Nick Mezzapelli: Nick presented the current high lake levels and highlighted that the spring melt off plus 150 millimeters of rain between April - May caused all lakes across the Trent Severn Waterway to reach record level highs. The Ministry had to perform a "controlled dam release" to avoid flooding of lakes and the Trent Severn Waterway banks. Over the past week water levels have continued to decline and should soon reach normal levels.

John Smith – Septic Inspection Lead, KLCOA:

John discussed the three key areas of protecting our lakes (Septic Health, Shoreline Health, Water Quality Monitoring). Septic Health is the focus of today's discussion.

Every septic system has an impact on the lake therefore replacing old systems and maintaining/inspecting newer systems is critically important to reducing negative impacts to the lake. [Watch 2017 KLCOA septic inspection on YouTube.](#)

27 lake owners volunteered to have septic inspection of which 17 passed (63%).

Lessons learned –

- garburators generate phosphorus and should not be used with a septic system.
- Powdered detergents clog septic systems.
- Single ply toilet paper does not break down as well as 2-ply.
- Renters don't know about septic systems and don't care...it's up to us (the cottage owners) to educate them.

Dysart passed septic inspection bylaws in 2017 and we are well advised to invest in having a septic inspection in 2019 if you need a pump out as it will meet the 2024 Dysart septic inspection mandate. There are 13 approved licensed septic inspectors in Dysart ([see Dysart web for list](#)).

Lisa Thompkins – Executive Director, Haliburton Highlands Health Services Foundation:

Provides access to essential health services for the Health of the Highlands. Lisa presented annual fundraising programs, organizations and supporters of the programs, funding transfers of over \$1.4M for equipment & programs in the last two years. Honey Bee'Cause We Care is a year-round fundraiser that raises proceeds for the Haliburton Highlands Health Services through honey sponsorships. Seasonal Residents can support the Foundation by purchasing Orson the bear or Cash Lottery Tickets which are available across the county.

Walt McKechnie: Councilor Ward 5

Walt echoed John Smiths message about septic inspection and shared his experience with septic health, road improvements, cottage rental policy proposal (exceeding occupancy capacity, noise, septic's/water quality), fireworks currently managed under the Noise By-Law, Dysart will be approving a Fireworks bylaw in May that will restrict family fireworks to Victoria Day, July long weekend, Civic Holiday and News Years.

Andrea Roberts: Mayor

Andrea highlighted the council programs and challenges such as road conditions after such a harsh winter. Budget increased with more money for road maintenance and infrastructure. [Shoreline Tree Preservation by-law](#) 30 meters from shoreline, directly improves lake quality with shoreline vegetation.

CALL TO ORDER 11:35 am

Pat Berne motion seconded by Dave Freeman, **CARRIED**

APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM 2018 AGM

Serena Thompson seconded by Robert Bevan, **CARRIED**

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS 2018

Financial Metrics (Year over Year)

- Revenue was up about \$2,000 primarily due to increase in membership and Regatta revenue
- Expenses lower by \$500. Expense higher include magazine printing (larger mag) and renewal of website costs (longer term commitments). Expenses down include Regatta (changed supplier) Fireworks (diverted funds to purchase firing equipment) utility costs (no winter heat required), clothing purchased (pre purchased in previous year) and major projects (highlights below)
- Net Income up \$3,600

Highlights

- Membership increased 10 %
- Major Projects expenses for 2018 included
 - Remote Automated Fireworks Ignition System \$3100
 - Fireworks certification \$600
 - Sound system and tent \$1000
 - Public Beach material \$700

Motion to accept 2018 minutes Joan Nicol motion seconded Keith Clarkson, **CARRIED**

PRESIDENTS MESSAGE

Glenn showed the 7-minute 2018 HLCA Year in Review video, which is also available at the HLCA website.

Shoreline Assessments - Target for naturalized shoreline to sustain a healthy lake is **75%**
Results are - Haliburton Lake 73% (South Bay 66%, Main Lake 74%) and Oblong Lake 90%

- Haliburton Lake Summary Report is on HLCA website with high level observations

Love Your Lake – Next Steps

Lindsay Bevan made a short presentation on how to use the CHA website for shoreline planting information at cohpoa.org/shoreline-plant-search

HLCA ELECTIONS

Existing Board of Directors:

Dissolving the existing HLCA Board of Directors on May 19, 2019.

New HLCA Board of Directors Candidates:

All previous Board Members agreed to stand again with one nomination from the floor from Brent McLean.

All in favor to approve and accept the eight named candidates for the HLCA Board of Directors for the year of 2019, **CARRIED**.

The 2018-19 Board slate is Jill Macgillivray, Glenn Scott, Nick Mezzapelli, Connor Blackwell, Owen Blackwell, Candice Bradbury, Brent McLean and Pat Berne.

NEW BUSINESS

Discussion occurred about Board involvement; Serena Thompson suggested she would hope to get involved next year.

The Board was asked to consider participation ribbons for the Regatta for the children.

ADJOURNMENT 12:08 pm

Motion put forward by Gord Cochrane, seconded by Garth Krieger to adjourn the 2019 HLCA AGM.

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the 2018 Annual General Meeting is adjourned. **CARRIED**

TERMINATION

There being no further business before the Meeting, upon a motion regularly made, seconded and unanimously carried, it was resolved that the Meeting terminate at 12:19 pm The Meeting there upon terminated.

RAFFLE, BURGER AND BEER

Dated on this 19th day of May 2019.



Scott Glenn
President



Nick Mezzapelli
Secretary