

BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING

DATE: Saturday April 8, 2017 – Chinese Restaurant

PRESENT: President Don O'Reilly, Vice President Ron Rimmer, Secretary Sharon Neff, Treasurer Rick O'Brien, Glenn Bingham, Phil Godon, Dan Ralph, Kate O'Hara

ABSENT: Chris Hamilton, Sandy Nash, Allison Wood, Bill Gardner, Marion Fuder

CALL TO ORDER at 9:40 am.

REPORT FROM THE CHAIR :

Don welcomed everyone. Don introduced a new member Dan Ralph who grew up in the Golden Lake area. (Twin Maple Lodge). Dan is a Consultant, he specializes in strategic planning and executive coaching. Present members introduced themselves, what or who brought them to GLPOA and where they lived.

PREVIOUS MINUTES APPROVAL:

MOTION: To accept the minutes of Sept 24, 2016.

MOVED: Kate O'Hara **SECONDED:** Ron Rimmer **CARRIED**

TREASURER'S REPORT: The Treasurer submitted an April 8, 2017 report on the finances of the Association, showing deposits of \$1765.00, disbursements of \$9,450.92, and interest from the savings account being \$19.78. The final balance to date in chequing account is \$3,880.91, Savings balance is \$8,830.63 for a total = \$12,711.54.

MOTION: To accept the Treasurer's Financial Reports of April 8, 2017

MOVED: Kate O'Hara **SECONDED:** Glenn Bingham **CARRIED**

*Discussion by member to change fiscal year from Mar 31 to Dec 31. Don and Ron to write up a motion to be brought to the AGM.

FOCA Award: Don shared the award GLPOA received with accolades from FOCA. Don and Kevin O'Connor (past President) attended the meeting in Toronto. Kudos!! Don to add the Foca award to the website and newsletter. Don will also send a picture of the FOCA award to the newspaper.

MOTION: Stewardship to hold an Executive Position, make this change in the constitution which will be brought forward at the AGM.

MOVED: Kate O'Hara **SECONDED:** DON O'REILLY **CARRIED**

Discussion by members about public posting for the AGM. Members inquired if social media qualified as public posting. Dan suggested looking at all/any changes we want to make within the constitution. To update bylaws. Dan is willing to participate in research related to not for profit act.

Pembroke District Ministry of Natural Resource meeting was attended by Rick O'Brien on March 21, 2017. Rick shared that this was the first of a kind meeting and attended by many throughout the County. Rick suggested that at the next meeting members of GLPOA may want to attend with a presentation.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

1. Membership– Kate O'Hara

Kate shared 2 articles ready to go into the Newsletter on GLPOA and all its accomplishments. GLPOA is #6 in regards to 700+ lakes within FOCA. Kudos!! Kate brought forward the idea of having a Director for each zone vs zone rep. Mary Beatty has stepped forward and is working hard to get a full list of canvassers to replace those who have stepped down. Ron suggested some discussion on name change from GLPOA to GLBPOA to include Bonnechere River.

Ron suggested partnering with the Real Estate Brokers in the area to increase membership to new waterfront owners. Kate to talk with Gayle Jacques regarding taking the lead for the area regarding this idea.

Kate stated that the packages need to include more septic tank packages.

Membership contest for 3yr paid membership. There were 30 tickets. Newcomer, Dan Ralph pulled the winner, Congratulations Marlene Randell!!!

First Canvasser meeting to be held at The Sands 10 am May 20 & 27, 2017.

2. Corporate Advertisers Review – Ron Rimmer/Don O'Reilly

Ron shared that we are fortunate to have such a generous and supportive business community. We have all 30 billboard sponsors coming back to support GLPOA. There are still 6/7 corporate sponsors still waiting to come aboard. Don will contact these sponsors and discuss adding 7 blocks to the existing billboard. Don will get confirmation before a motion to spend the money to add the panels. Don shared

that his role is to communicate with all the sponsors, while Ron's role is the bookwork and letter writing.
Kudos!!!

*Ron noted that he is looking for someone to take over the Corporate Sponsorship. If anyone is interested or know someone who may be interested, please let Ron or Don know.

Don & Ron to write up a Blurb on the sponsors for the newsletter.

3. Lake Stewardship Lake/River – Glenn Bingham

Buoys: Glenn stated that he is looking into having students help identify buoys by GPS. Focus is to improve communication and traceability. Glenn will send this information to Jay/Eric for feedback and buoy replacement.

Water Levels: Chairman of water level Bob Richard has stepped down. Ron and Glenn had been monitoring Golden Lake and Round Lake water levels which has increased in the past few days.

Monitoring of water levels will continue.

Smelt Harvest :Glenn has been monitoring and expects to see them running within the week. Glenn will submit an article to the Eganville Leader regarding the Smelt fry.

Fish Committee: Glenn shared that the Ministry is geared to Walleye watch. Discussion regarding removal of predators (smelt). Next year they will be looking at Black Crappie. Glenn will continue to share information with the Ministry. Glenn noted continued work with Department of Oceans/Fishery in putting Golden Lake back on the radar.

4. Communications – Don O'Reilly for Allison Wood

AGM: The date of the 2017 AGM was discussed and it will be July 8, 2017 due to Canada 150. Don discussed guest speakers for the event. Don has 50% of the sponsors confirmed. Don shared that David Murphy of the Bonnechere Valley Fire Chief would be available to discuss fire safety. Discussion around a second guest speaker; Gerald Tracy or Fred Blackstien to discuss Volunteerism.

Invitations will go out to all 3 surrounding Townships to attend the AGM.

Newsletters: Allison to profile 2 past and 2 present volunteers in the newsletter.

Website: www.goldenlake.co – Ron stated that Chris/Allison are looking at improvements and searching other property associations for feedback. Any input please submit to Chris.

5. Other Items –

Poker Run: Ron and Don will take care of the Poker Run page for the newsletter

Ron to reach out to White Water Brewery as a sponsor and to set up a Beer tent.

Promotions: Kate and Glenn to research some kits samples from Imprint and bring back information to next meeting. Sharon to look into a video clip to capture the essence of GLPOA as public education. Glenn suggested honoring past GLPOA members at the AGM and Ron shared a special gift idea for those members.

KLPOA have reached out to Ron to obtain feedback on GLPOA's success.

NEW BUSINESS:

May 6, 2017 Membership meeting at Golden Sands 10 am

June 3, 2017 Board Meeting – 9:30 am at The Sands

June 10, 2017 Fish Fry at The Sands

July 8, 2017 AGM

NEXT MEETING: The next meeting will be June 3, 2017 at The Sands on Golden Lake.

ADJOURNMENT:

MOTION: To adjourn time – 12:45pm

MOVED: Kate O'Hare **SECONDED:** Ron Rimmer **CARRIED**