

GOLDEN LAKE PROPERTY OWNERS

ASSOCIATION

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BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING

DATE:

April 13 2024

Zoom

PRESENT: President Dave Clark, VP Sylvia Hillier, Secretary Sandy Nash,
Treasurer Livia Vodenicar.

Event Committee Natalie Corbin, Membership, Julie Callon, Toni McLeod, Krista Jones, Lake Steward Don Bishop, Communications, Mathew Ingram, Rob Bryce, Newsletter, Allison Wood, Janet Cotreau.

Regrets:

Theresa Rasp.

Welcome/Call to Order by Dave Clark @9:04 a.m.

MOTION: To approve the October 14 2023 Minutes.

MOVED:
CARRIED

Krista Jones

SECONDED: Mathew Ingram

TREASURER'S REPORT:

- Combined Bank accounts at the start of 2023 \$21,000.00

- Micheal Afelskie has declined to continue as our auditor.
- We will need to look for another Auditor.
- Livia will meet with Maria to see if Financial have been signed & filed.
- We have received a large amount of funds from our Sponsor, Members and donations so far for 2024.
- All money received for Skating Loop.
- Several costs Meeting, Advertising, reimbursement for expenses paid.
- With Quick Books we will have the proper report to submit to Maria for Revenue Canada filling.
- Accountant has been paid for 2023 tax filing

MOTION: To accept the Treasurers' Report

MOVED: Mathew Ingram

SECONDED: Rob Bryce

CARRIED

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Corporate Sponsorship Theresa Rasp

- All 42 sponsors have been contacted and invoiced; two past sponsors are not being contacted due to lack of payment last year
- Two new sponsors have been contacted and are joining our corporate sponsors: Lakepoint Resort and Kokomish Café

- To date we have 19 confirmations and 14 have submitted payment (\$175 each): we are giving Andrea Rathwell (Century 21 Eady) a free sponsorship this year after her house fire last fall
- If all sponsors are on board (no pun intended!) we will have 44 ad units, the maximum number for our billboards
- Nature of Design will be fixing the Deacon billboard, which doesn't have our map of the lake and river. This billboard is also being moved in the parking area to provide more space and visibility for the boat launch
- PRIZING

Fish Fry May 19

- 8 corporate sponsor prizes confirmed to date
- Prizes include Gift cards, cash, dinner for 2
- Kids' fishing derby will need age appropriate gifts of \$10+ value

AGM

- 7 corporate sponsor prizes confirmed to date
- Prizes include Gift cards, cash, dinner for 2

Golden Lake Regatta

- Valley Marine Sports has been approached to be a title sponsor

- We will need minimum of 3 prizes per category (4 categories: Kayak, canoe, paddle board, build-your-own)

Events Natalie Corbin and Theresa Rasp Co-Chairs Events:

Skating Loop

- Weather was difficult again for Family day lots of hot dogs left over due to poor turnout, but good coverage in Eganville leader
- Recommend next year we don't have a 'set date' for bonfires and hot dogs – do it on the fly. Events difficult to promote with weather.
- Still worth the effort – on good weather days, the rink absolutely got used
- North Algona donated insurance again and cost of Porta Potties
- \$2000 budget – came in under – approx. \$500 (and hot dogs will get used, see smelt fry)
- Need – storage – see new business.

Fish fry

- We attended meeting to help with some direction (and offered leftover hot dogs for kids!) Natalie to supply everything for coffee/tea, Theresa offered to assist with sponsorship support.

Regatta

- Another first for us – now part of the water and dirt festival.
- Various categories for watercraft races, folks must pre-register – swag bag included.
- Mathew will set up an e-mail to accept prepaid payment.
- North Algona co-sponsoring again (insurance)
- August 17th- also includes breakfast to be put on by Food bank

- Observers invited to watch by boat – perhaps decorate boats too
- Of course, volunteers needed!
- Natalie will reach out to Mark for extra buoys for turn around
- Janet will provide volunteers from Red Pine to help.

AGM

- Needs location and confirmation of date.

Volunteer appreciation dinner

- Need new location and date so we can book caterer.

Membership Julie Callon (Co-Chair Krista Jones Tony McLeod (Records)

- 71 memberships have been paid to date, 66 to be eligible for the “early bird draw” Prize options to be discussed
- Currently, there is enough product and swag to assemble 50% of membership kits needed. In the interest of “no waste”, it was decided, after discussion with Dave Clark and Kate O’Hara, to reorder enough bags/swags to assemble 450 kits (thinking positive!). Membership Committee is currently reviewing different options for membership kits and will present these to the Board at the next meeting for discussion (pricing, feasibility etc. needs to be researched)
- Previous canvassers have been contacted and confirmed participation this year. A number of canvassers asked about an earlier distribution of the kits but this will be determined by the availability of the Newsletter for inclusion. Assembly and distribution of the kits will take place as soon as the Newsletter is ready
- Some new canvassers have been recruited but there is still a need for volunteers for many zones

- Brian Yourth and Diana Wilson reached out to ask Membership Committee to have a table at the Fish Fry so this has been confirmed. Krista and I will accept memberships and will have Fish Committee merchandise for sale.
- Krista Jones represented GLPOA at FOCA AGM in Toronto. Fees are being increased from \$4 to \$5 per GLPOA member. Krista can answer any questions regarding her networking and I want to thank her for representing GLPOA
- A proposal to attempt to solicit membership from trailer park residences was brought to our attention. Many are followers on social media and benefit from GLPOA's dedicated hard work. Discussion: is feasible to have a targeted social media campaign and discussion with trailer park owners re: welcoming "non-owner

Lake Steward Don Bishop

Hazard Markings Mark Hammer

- Moving forward on marking each buoy with a tracking number, replacement of equipment budget \$300 to \$500, ensuring there is a map and web disclaimer / clarification. Renfrew County GIS to make new one so that it is available in print, on our website and downloadable to a phone

Water Levels Don Bishop

- 18 of 24 logs in since Mar 12, the plan is to bring the levels to May operating levels or close to in both Golden Lake and Round Lake and then to regulate as required. Ice on and off tracking and history by Ron Rimmer, this year was just over a week from ice going off on small lake to big lake and middle lake being clear of ice.

Water Testing Rob Bryce

- Water testing in support of the Lake Partner Program takes place both in Tranquility Bay as well as the big end of the lake. Testing at the big end had previously been conducted by Andy Joudry who suffered a critical health event and will not be able to continue in his duties. We thank Andy for all his efforts and should recognize him and his wife Tammy at the AGM.
- Lake Partner Program has been contacted and re-routed his yearly package to new address in Ottawa. Although I have received my Tranquility Bay package, I have not yet received Andy's one for the big end and will contact the Lake Partner Program again to remind them. I will take on the sampling duties for both locations for the 2024 cottage year with the help of some volunteers who got involved last year (Paul, Herb). There are two exercises, the yearly sampling, and the monthly clarity readings. I will have the yearly sampling done and posted by the end of May for both sites as well as the first clarity reading completed.

Invasive Species Richard Juhasz

- Our new coordinator is gathering data through research and webinars creating a data base, you can read more about him on our web page.

Fish Committee Report. Don Bishop

- Round and Round we go... it's been a challenge, both Peter and I continue this quest, however difficulties continue in coordinating with MNRF and AOP which has been challenging. We attended a walleye conference at the end of Feb in Toronto meeting a lot of specialists from the US that we had communicated with. We have put 100's of hours into this and one thing we have noticed is that many of the challenges we are having is people not getting back to us when they say they will, or they think they know more than we do as a team. Positive news is our Fish Fry which will be May 19th at Red Pine Camp we need the executive help on this with volunteers, poster is on the web site, but a few changes are being added we are 5 weeks out and all is looking great.
- Huge family event.
- Music.
- Liquor permit has been applied for approval needed from OPP.

- Our insurance is giving a special rider at a cost of \$50.00.

Communications Mathew Ingram

- Facebook group has 2,000 members, and 123 followers on Instagram (both up)
- Had an issue with the Instagram account but it has been solved
- Working on a draft policy for the Facebook page re: promotional posts.
- Over the past month we had about 1,600 page views.
Top pages were the home page and the smelt fishing page.

Face Book Natalie

- A lot of activity, especially for smelt.

Newsletter Allison

- Winter Newsletter was amazing
- Outline for the spring Newsletter has now been sent out.
- Would like a blurb on Invasive species
- Reports need by the end of the month

MOTION: To accept all Committee Reports including the request of \$1,500.00 as an advance to the fish committee for the Fish Fry May 19 2024.

MOVED: Allison Wood

SECONDED: Mathew Ingram

CARRIED

OTHER BUSINESS:

Insurance Renewal Dave

- Modest 2 % price increase.
- Water Sports covered by NAW
- 3 million liability for Directors, Board and Volunteers to include injury for volunteers
- Map endorsement reviewed.
- Insurance cheque has been sent for 2024 coverage

Motion to accept the Insurance renewal.

MOVED: Dave Clark

SECONDED: July Callon

CARRIED

Code of Ethics / Purchasing Procedures Dave

- Code of Ethics for those that are new need to be signed.
- Expenses must be pre- approved if not in budget.

Banking Signatories, E-Transfers Process Dave,

- Can move to a Single authorized signatory
- This would allow auto deposit E-transfers and easier bank transfers
- Had to get current signatories up to date first
- Change requires a letter to be sent to the Bank with all signatories stating that we would like to move to a single signatory
- It will require a Constitution amendment to be approved at our AGM.
- We will implement an internal process to require cheques to be signed by President or Vice-President but only issued by the Treasurer (etc.) to ensure appropriate diligence / audit trail.
- We need approval at AGM before this can be in place.

Filing of Information Changes/ Taxes Dave

- Final step for Grant documentation is to provide our Financial Income Statement, if they need a balance sheet we will need to prepare one.
- Capital Asset to be identified / tracked if balance sheet required
- Grant over \$10,000.00 may result in a different non profit classification – to be verified if required

AGM 2024 Dave

- We still need a location.
- Options Killaloe, Deacon Golden Lake.

- Natalie will look into several areas.
- Date in July to be set.

Storage for GLPOA Equipment Dave Natalie, Theresa

- Meeting with NAW we are ready to move forward with the shed
- The shed will store all of our equipment
- They are donating \$6,000.00 for site prep
- Cost of Shed is between \$7,500.00 to \$9,500.00
- We already approved \$5,000.00.
- Propose we approve \$7,500.00.
- Get a Letter from MAW that they will be donating the \$6,000.00

Motion to approve up to \$7,500.00 to purchase shed.

MOTION: Sylvia Hillier

SECONDED: Natalie Corbin

CARRIED

FOCA renewal 2024 (Price Increase) Dave

- Renewal is based on membership at a rate of \$5.00 per member and \$150.00 for the Association. Large group \$3000.00 topped to \$3,050.00
- Insurance is a big asset with FOCA.
- We will not be increasing our Membership fee to accommodate this
- It is worthwhile to remain with FOCA

Motion to continue to be a part of FOCA

MOTION: Krista Jones

SECONDED: Janet Cottreau

CARRIED

FOCA AGM 2024 (Overview) Krista Jones

- Commercial Advertising
- Awards we had the longest time to show our Skating Loop.
- Invasive Species watch your little piece of earth.
- Boater safety course was a big item and suggested holding a boater safety course.
- Importance in having Buoy e-mail address to OPP Link
- They mentioned moving to an evening AGM helps attendance.

NEXT MEETING: June 1 2024

MOTION: Meeting Adjourned at 11:15AM

MOVED: Dave Clark

SECONDED: Mathew Ingram

CARRIED

Dave Clark, President
Sandy Nash, Secretary

These minutes are not official until approved by the Board by resolution and signed by the President and Secretary.