###### GOLDEN LAKE PROPERTY OWNERS

###### ASSOCIATION

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##### 19th ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

DATE: Saturday July 6, 2024 - St. Andrews Separate School, Killaloe, ON

PRESENT: President Dave Clark, Vice-President Sylvia Hillier, Treasurer Livia Vodenicar, Secretary Sandy Nash, Lake Steward Don Bishop, Past President Kat O’Hara, Directors: Rob Bryce, Julie Callon, Theresa Rasp, Mathew Ingram, Toni McLeod, Allison Wood, Krista Jones

ABSENT: Janet Cottreau

CALL TO ORDER at 9:02 am

Welcome from President Dave Clark,

Land Acknowledgement:

Golden Lake & Area Property Owners’ Association hereby acknowledges that today’s

meeting is taking place on the traditional unceded, un-surrendered territory of the

Anishinaabe Algonquin people. We pay our respects to their elders, past and present, and the Aboriginal Elders of the Communities who may be here today. It is protocol to acknowledge that we are guests and that we offer our thanks to the hosts.

We posted notice of the meeting 30 days ahead, Eganville Leader (June 3rd) and online (June 5th). Face book, website and email blast. Quorum established.

Acknowledge Mayor and Municipal Representatives – James Brose (Mayor – NAW), David Mayville (Mayor KHR), two Councilors from Pikwakanagan, Don Bilodeau and Dale Benoit-Zohr.

OPENING REMARKS FROM THE CHAIR, Dave Clark:

* Thanks for volunteers
* Review of the agenda

Approval of Minutes:

Motion: Dave Clark To accept the Saturday, July 8, 2023 minutes

Moved: Matthew Ingram Seconded: Theresa Rasp CARRIED

TREASURER’S REPORT:

Livia presented the GLPOA financial summary for 2023.

* Reviewed “how this works” for the 2023 money in and out carried forward into 2024.
* Carried forward into 2024 $19,341 (bulk of income from sponsors and members)
* Largest revenue generated was from corporate sponsors, membership feed, fish fry, sale of promotional material, and a grant (snow loop).
* Largest expenses occurred from the snow loop, member package info, volunteer appreciation, FOCA membership and insurance.
* We are currently sitting at $9,432.72 savings, $15,189.97 in checking.
* Opened to questions from the floor:

Question: Where was the fish fry held?

Answer: Red Pine Camp

* Dave explained in detail the federal grant from the Tourism Fund of Ontario – which allowed us to have the first skating loop (operational costs as well as capital to purchase equipment that we were able to keep) which set us up for future years.
* Dave explained in detail the accounting cost of $6K, we are incorporated as a non-profit, we don’t pay taxes but they must be filed – future years it will only cost us about $700. We are current with our taxes!

MOTION: By Dave Clark To accept the 2023 Financial Statements

MOVED: Sandy Nash SECONDED: Eileen George CARRIED

MOTION: To appoint Ledger Lady as Auditor for 2024/25 operating year

MOVED: Matthew Ingram SECONDED: Peter Heinermann CARRIED

Constitution Amendments: (Dave Clark)

1. **Amend to read**: “The funds of the Association shall be in the keeping of the Treasurer who shall deposit these in a chartered Canadian Bank or Trust Company and shall make payment for the Association by cheque or by e-transfer on the said bank account, with the exception of petty cash payments for which the Treasurer will account by voucher.

The signing officers are the President or Vice-President. All cheques and e-transfers can only be issued by the Board approved designate. Approval for e-transfers must be in writing from one of the signing officers prior to issuing.

Reason for change: include e-transfer, amend signatories

1. **Amend to read:** Each membership carries with it the right to one (1) vote at any meeting of the members. Reason for change: correcting 2023 AGM amendment.
2. **Amend to read:** Each voting member shall have one vote at the Annual General Meeting or at any other general or special meeting, provided that, if it is a new membership, the membership has been in good standing for 45 days prior to the Annual General Meeting, or if it was an existing membership, that the membership is in good standing prior to the vote.

Motions shall be determined by a simple majority of votes on a show of hands.

If a vote is split/contentious the presiding President can call for address or property verification to ensure membership voting policy is adhered to.

Reason for change: Clarification/Resolution of one (1) vote per membership

Opened to questions from the floor:

Question: Is GLPOA compliant with Ontario Non-Profit Corporation Act (ONCA)

Answer: Yes, updated corporate registry (we are provincially registered), website updated. Final step is to 100% validate all steps met, we believe they have.

MOTION: Dave Clark call to accept the amendments as proposed

MOVED: Natalie Corbin SECONDED: Chris Hamilton CARRIED

Election of Officers:

Kate was pleased to present the board for the 2024/25 term. The following people have allowed their names to stand for election for the following term:

Executive:

Co-Presidents: Kate O’Hara/Sylvia Hillier Nien-Mar Lane

Vice President: Toni McLeod Great Heron Lane

Secretary: Sandy Nash Pikwakanagan

Treasurer Livia Vodenicar: Golden Lake

Lake Steward Don Bishop: Island View Drive

Membership: Julie Callon/Krista Jones Hawkins Drive/Memory Lane

Past President Dave Clark Island View Drive

Directors at Large:

Theresa Rasp: Corporate sponsorship/Events Island View Drive

Sandy Nash: Secretary Pikwakanagan

Rob Bryce Rocky Point Drive

Janet Cottreau Island View Drive (Red Pine Camp)

Alison Wood: Communications Hawkins Drive

Mathew Ingram: Communications Island View Drive

Toni McLeod – Records Management Great Heron Lane

Natalie Corbin: (Co – Chair Events) Island View Drive

Dave Clark Rocky Point Drive

Krista Jones Bio:

Krista joined the Board at the 2023 AGM, volunteering to co-chair the Membership committee with Julie Callon.

“My first visit to Golden Lake was in 1982 when I came to meet my future in-laws, Claude & Shirley MacPherson, the “then” owners of Bonnechere Lodge. My husband Don spent his teen years growing up here, so this was home for him.

We would spend every summer here helping out and watching our 3 boys grow up enjoying the lake. Subsequently, when the lodge was sold to Roger & Ursula Imhof, we continued to rent a cottage every summer from them. In 2006 the opportunity arose for us to purchase a piece of the lodge property, where we have now retired after spending the last 3 years building our home on the lake.

Giving back to the community through volunteering has always been very important to me and last year, at my 1st time attending the AGM and meeting Julie and Kate, I knew co-chairing the membership committee was the perfect way to start my relationship with the GLPOA family!”

Call for Nominations from the floor – first call – none, second call – none, last call – no additional nominations presented.

MOTION: Kate O’Hara To accept the proposed slate of officers and directors

MOVED: Kate O’Hara SECONDED: Matthew Ingram CARRIED

Door prizes & Refreshments:

1. Cottage Cup – Sheila Kennedy
2. McMillan’s Cabins – Ernie Bies
3. Pikwakanagan Fuels – Jeff Breskey
4. Bonnechere Caves – Julie Thur
5. Aki Wellness = Jeff Scharf

15 minute break taken at 10:00 am)

**COMMITTEE REPORTS**

Corporate Sponsorships ~ Theresa Rasp

* 4 sign boards that have 44 sponsors (total of 43 as Cottage Cup takes 2 slots)
* Sponsors are actively engaged at GLPOA events
* 3 New – Aki Wellness, Kokomish Café, Lake Point Cottage Resort
* Appreciation expressed for their on-going support!

Event Committee: (Natalie Corbin & Theresa Rasp)

* Snow Moon Skating Loop Update – thanks for the many volunteers who came out to help
* 2024 Fish Fry – kids fishing derby, live entertainment, beer tent, raffle/door prizes, 227 attendees, fish lunch
* Golden Lake Regatta – new this year on August 17th from Island View Park to Red Pine Camp, part of the Water and Dirt Festival, registration fee including breakfast – supports the local food bank, registration now open NAW Lending Hub option for water craft available. Breakfast at 9, registration 11, races start at 12. Everything online.
* Volunteer Appreciation Dinner – Saturday August 24 – details to follow
* Scavenger Hunt – 100 boxes available

Membership ~ Julie Callon, Krista Jones, Toni McLeod

* Thank you for all who have helped to support as they have taken over this responsibility
* Goal of 400+ members
* As of today 229 on record which is an increase from this time last year
* Early membership draw – paid before March 31 get next years membership paid
* Portion goes to FOCA – great place for information
* Volunteers for canvassers still needed
* Acknowledgement of canvassers here today

Communications – Mathew Ingram, Allison Wood

* Mathew is the person who responds to emails and website upkeep
* New volunteer who will take over Instagram posting – Gillian Daly
* Facebook page update – will take ads down if repeated too often

Opened to questions from the floor:

Question: How big is our Facebook group?

Answer: almost 2,000

Lake Steward ~ Don Bishop

 Hazard Markings Program: Don Bishop on behalf of Mark Hammer

* Send email to Don if find a marker
* Buoys were placed out earlier this year than prior – buoys will have numbers on so we know where they come from
* New maps being made with 4 or 5 additions

 Water Quality Testing: Rob Bryce

* Part of the Lake Partner Program (with FOCA)
* Test 2 locations, May and October – multiple testing including clarity, etc.
* Need a volunteer for area near Deacon – few times a year

 Water Levels: Don Bishop

* Educate and report is the strategy
* Working with RPG – process is working very well
* We did not have the flooding issues in the spring like we have had in the past

 Invasive Species: Don Bishop on behalf of Rich Juhasz

* No Zebra mussels in our lake or around our area (i.e. Round Lake, etc.) reason is due to PH levels.
* Spiny Water Fleas – we have
* Plants – so far no issues

Opened to questions from the floor:

Question: Can you kill smelt on site?

Answer: You are supposed to eat them

Question: Same thing with crappy?

Answers: They are native to our lake.

Fish Committee – Don Bishop/Peter Heinermann

* Hoping to have solutions for the Walleye rehabilitation in the water in the spring of 2025
* Thanks to the volunteers who help
* End of March submitted 5 permits – June 19th response from the ministry – incomplete, responded July 2
* Peter Wilson – person responsible for data management

Opened to questions from the floor:

Question: What are your successes?

Answer: We are going to get there.

Question: What is going to be done with the cormorants?

Answer: They are able to be hunted in the fall

Question: Can we partner with the reserve to pay for all this?

Answer: Can’t answer that.

MOTION: To accept Committee Reports

MOVED: Chris Hamilton SECOND: Jim Kyle CARRIED Jim Kyle

Kate O’Hara introduced our guest speaker (OPP Constable Chris Throop, Marine Operator, Pembroke Detachment)

* Policing 18 years, qualified in marine safety for 7 years
* Front line constable – first respond to the crash last year

Opened to questions from the floor:

 Question: Has drinking risen for the last while?

 Answer: Can’t answer – don’t have great stat’s

 Question: Do you check for people who have paddle boards?

 Answer: Unfortunately we don’t have the time to check all those. Also, no regulations.

 Question: What is the protocol for lights on boats at night and what can we do?

 Answer: Encourage folks to follow the safe boating practices.

 Question: What are the most important things to consider in marine safety?

 Answer: Have the appropriate life jacket, no alcohol and practice safe boating.

* Number to call: 1-888-310-1122 (non emergency), or 911 if an emergency!

Draw Prizes

1. Popcorn Bag (Fish Committee) – Randy Thur
2. Whitetail Golf Course – Toni McLeod
3. Red Pine Camp – Judith Hartwig
4. Landmark Business Consulting – Darryl King
5. PharmaSave – Margaret George
6. PharamaSave – John
7. Gayle Jacques Real Estate – Julie Callon

Kate expressed our thanks to the prize sponsors, corporate sponsors, caterer, RCCDSB for facility, volunteers, board, canvassers, committee members and to the members.

Kate presented past president Dave Clark with a gift and our appreciation!

Closing Remarks – Kate O’Hare

* Thanks to caterer, school, volunteers, board and committee members and members!

MOTION: To adjourn this 2024 AGM Time: 11:28 am

MOVED: Natalie Corbin SECONDED: Matthew Ingram CARRIED

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Dave Clark, President Sylvia Hillier, Vice President

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

Attachments

– 2024 financial report