

JLA AGM 2018 Minutes

1) Call to order

- Sarah called the meeting to order at 10:07
- Directors introduced themselves

- 2) Sarah introduced new directors - Beth Brook as Secretary and Liz Hurly succeeding Alice Court's position as Events Director as she is retiring from the board; Moved by Mark Kolawski and seconded by Caroline Ford; carried.

Marcine DuBois is being re-elected; motion by Mary Anne Bell; seconded by Nicole Dodds; carried.

- 3) Motion to approve the 2017 AGM minutes – moved by Mark Kolawski and seconded Eunice Speed; carried

4) Tim Cork introduced the Questions for mayors / candidates

- Neill spoke about the Lake Plan. Thirteen years ago Ron Gerow encouraged Lake Associations to develop Lake Plans. The idea was to find out the priorities of lake residents and bring them back to the council which would then identify areas on which to focus. Our Lake Plan has been developed and in place since 2008. The Lake Plan should have official status under the municipalities. 87% of the lake residents voted in favour of our Lake Plan. It is crucial that it happens for us and could be put in place over the last couple of months. Take time to read the article on page 49 of this issue of Cottage Life.
- Fixing the Dam – we know it's on a list; but how far down the list?
- Rick Woodcock, Mayor of NK – commended this Lake Association. Thanked President Sarah – she and Tim are great to work with Tim. Rick is in campaign mode and reported back on:
 - The septic report – we have had an active re-inspection report for the last year and are now in Phase 2. (See attached) 112 cottagers from North Kawartha have to provide more information.
 - Apsley has a new doctor - Dr Paul Hassen; part time since April – moved from Toronto. As of July he will be here full time; wonderful doctor; experienced with older people.
 - Pediatric Outpatient Program – operated out of Peterborough Regional General Hospital – go to hospital and register for the POP program and bypass emergency; this will be helpful on weekends when the doctor is not available in Apsley.
 - We need you to subscribe to the North Kawartha council webpage – indicate if you want to receive updates; add your email address, we will communicate all these items and updates to you.
 - We are now recording our council meetings on YouTube – at least two meetings will be up at any one time.
 - Election arrangements – you will get a PIN number; from Oct 9 – 22 you can vote by phone or by email. It will be easy to do. You can also vote in person.
 - Downtown Apsley – have been working hard to control speed limits – construction – trying to keep children safe since we have no sidewalks
 - Last August we had an open house – spent 2.5 hours discussing how to work closely with Lake Associations. Went to Muskoka and found that they were very effective. They forced their way into council (in a good way). The lakes drive industry and are so important. We need to hear from Lake Associations – we need to be knowledgeable and we need to interact. As Mayor I am very keen to hear from you.

- We should have cleaning stations on every lake. There are practical issues in forcing people to wash their boats and there are issues about disposing of waste. I would be interested in talking with people. I live on Chandos and want to see it happen there too.
 - Inspection reports – already covered; question – is there any way to enforce? There will be and it is being discussed.
 - The Lake Plan – we are going to take two years to redo the official plan. We have to tie into that official plan. We are going to work with you to make sure that our official plans tie into the county plans. I am clearly in support of that.
 - Garbage – I thought we were doing fairly well with having our two transfer sites. I haven't heard about this being an issue – but if it is an issue I would like to hear about that.
 - Dams – I will take up your offer Bob DuBois to go in the boat and visit the dam!
- Jim Martin – Havelock Belmont Metheun – Deputy Mayor filling in since Ron Gerow has had some health issues; family is supporting Jim as he campaigns for mayor.
 - Thanked the association for providing the 5 questions. There are 5 people around the table – the best way for council to help you is for you to talk to all of council so we can help you with the process.
 - Cleaning stations - Jim hasn't seen this come to the council. Like the parking problem this might be something we would look at to see what would be involved – run off, environmental issues. Keep in mind we have ten lakes in our area with only a certain amount of money to go around. It's a good idea to discuss.
 - Septic inspection – there were meetings about this; HBMLA got the estimates and it was too expensive. Since then we have looked at other models and have talked with FOCA. Would like to see if we can carry on with that.
 - Lake Plan – the lake plan would need to be adopted by council and adopted by the County of Peterborough. It sounds like this is well on the way. If the lake wants to introduce different policies – the municipality will only accept if there is widespread – 75% of residents – are in favour. Sounds like we are at 87% so we are well on the way.
 - Recycling – HBM has discussed this – working with our neighbouring municipalities which is costly. It has been ongoing and there are differing views. More drop off locations isn't as simple as it sounds. Hours of operation can be adjusted if cost effective. We can do anything when it comes to services but it all costs money so we are trying to see if it is worthwhile to do it.
 - Fixing the dam – it is a federal asset. You would have to deal with them. We can provide contact info but we don't have any jurisdiction. We would like to assist and we deal with this in other locations also.
 - I hope this helps you. If you have more questions contact me anytime.
- Andy Sharpe – running for mayor of HBM; thank you for inviting me to join you.
 - Saw a moose on the way here – good way to start the day
 - Self employed cabinet maker; works in Havelock
 - Served on council for 14 years, 8 as Deputy Mayor of HBM
 - Peterborough Health – sat on that board for ten years.
 - Served on many organizations and boards.
 - Has been speaking with lots of residents and getting input, concerns, etc. What I am hearing is people are looking for change in HBM; different management styles. I have a different management style and I am looking forward to doing that. The status quo of two meetings/month and limited communication isn't working in our community. I will establish new

committees to deal with concerns in our 8 lakes. I have started lists – they are long lists and they haven't been dealt with.

- How do we do this? We need to work together – the associations of each lake. Four years ago the Township set up a strategic plan with four directives – only one has been successful. We need more than 4 things to be done.
 - Cleaning stations – this should be looked at and studied; we have 8 lakes; this is the type of thing that would make us first in the area. How do we fund it? There are always funding issues. There is a nearby township where they got a grant for a student who showed an interest in grant writing. They were successful in getting a community grant – the next year there were 10 more. Sometimes it's how we can get funding. That position is now a full time position.
 - Septic inspection – this has taken a long time to see some successes in NK and Ontario; Six years ago I took this issue to the Health Board and they developed a plan for septic re-inspections that has been taken on by a few of the townships in Peterborough County. There is a cost to this. The inspection program works. Last year 355 inspections in one township – 10 – 15% needed Phase 2; then 5% of 355 needed changes / replacements. It's effective and an important way to protect our water. I support this – we need to look at it and figure out how to pay for it. Need to look at the options and work towards something.
 - Lake Plans – I support this and like planning. I am very interested in this and excited about the opportunity to move this forward. In HBM we retain our own official bylaws but we still do need to fall under the county for approval. We need to have a complete set of approved documents. In our next set I hope to see JLA lake plan included.
 - Garbage / recycling – Shady Lane seems to be working well; we review it regularly; every election we hear about this – from people that want it and people who don't want it. We need to see how we are going to move forward with this collectively.
 - Fixing the dam – Not aware of the cost or the implications of the repairs of this dam. The township, the mayor and the council are behind you 100% to get whatever you need. We need to move forward if there are issues with the dam.
 - When I am mayor I want to work with individuals, groups, associations on the lakes and throughout the townships. I will be at the front door when you come. We will work together to resolve whatever the issue is. The election is in October. We hope you can reach out to your neighbours and get them to vote also.
- Questions –
 - John Dodds – for Andy Sharpe re recycling / garbage – have you ever considered a card lock system where you don't have to staff it?
 - Andy – in my time that was not considered but it is something we can look at. There are specific requirements and not sure if card access would be allowed by the ministry. It can be looked at.
 - Neill Lanz – encourages everyone to get involved and communicate. We just heard that Andy was not aware that the boat wash was an issue. This was identified in our Lake Plan 10 years ago. We negotiated with the township to get a better boat ramp. We had the boat wash designed but the township is not aware of this. We have been working on this for 10 years. We need that boat launch – it is crucial!!
 - Tim Reece – unable to join us – but if you have questions about the log cutting please address them to Jesse VanAllen (contact info provided).
 - Electoral improvements: new changes to the voting process to allow people to vote online.
 - Paul Campbell – asked if the board will be ranking the candidates for members to decide on whom to vote for? Which candidate is association friendly or not? Sarah responded – we're

an unbiased board and not in the position to endorse any candidate but are happy to provide your questions and concerns to all candidates. Check out Smoke Signals for information on how to vote.

- Sarah – asked everyone to check out the invasive species collection from the Ontario Federation of Anglers & Hunters to get a clear understanding on the direct affects to our lake. There are free t-shirts on invasive species at the FOCA table; so please help yourselves. Doug is available to buy JLA Film Festival tickets during the break.
- Steve – invasive species – last year spiny water fleas on the lake; they have all had an effect on our fish in the lake. For the 3rd year we have received funding for invasive species – one of the ways we are raising awareness is the free t-shirts. This is a very real threat to our lake. Many people on the lake are concerned about invasive species.

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- Dave Hoyle – a quick plug about the Regatta – if you have some younger people at your cottage that would like to help with events or with running things we are always looking for younger people to take over. I am going to be involved this year but we are looking for people to get involved. Previous volunteers will get an email from me shortly. If you want to be added to the list let me know. We will be sailing in the small lake this year – Callahan Bay. Last year we tried it in Sharpe’s Bay but this year we will be in Callahan. Hope to see you out there.
- Sarah introduced Jon Alcide from Action First Aid – to demonstrate CPR; there are defibrillators at each of the marinas. Jon gave us a great demonstration on giving CPR, on using an AED and the benefits of having one on hand. Cost of \$1,365 for the unit and can be ordered by email at: jon@actionfirstaid.ca
- Sarah introduced Brendan Cregg from Watersheds Canada. Brendan gave a detailed overview of the Love Your Lake program as the JLA has applied to the very competitive program to have our shorelines examined to offer owners simple solutions on how to keep our shoreline natural to prevent water run-off and erosion.

Questions –

- Deborah Anthony; a biologist & resident of Chandos (sold her Jack Lake property in Nov 2016) Question directed to Mayor Woodcock: “Why aren’t residents notified when setbacks have changed since 1940?” Deborah asked for stronger communication from the municipality & was interrupted by Martin Parker of Peterborough Field Naturalists informed her that it was the province who determines new guidelines for bodies of water. Mayor Woodcock made it clear that he’s always available to answer questions and happy to improve communication lines.
- All candidates meeting for the upcoming election: Aug 25, Saturday at 1:00pm at the NKCC.

12:03pm – meeting adjourned to go to the parking lot for the fire department’s demo on fire extinguishers.