**TROY LAKE RATEPAYERS ASSOCIATION (TLRA)**

**Minutes** of the **Annual General Meeting** held on **Sunday, May 21, 2017, at 10:00 am,** at the cottage of Brent and Audrey McEvoy #360.

**Members present:**

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| Arnold, ToddFowler, RandyHoover, BarryKellam, JohnLauridsen, Steve | McEvoy, BrentMcEvoy, AudreyNorton, JeffNorton, PeggyOrr, Don | Parker, DeniseParker, DougParker, RonVan Bolhuis, Evert | Van Harmelen, A. Wright, Tim |

President Barry Hoover called the meeting to order at 10:10 am.

Thank you to Brent and Audrey McEvoy for hosting this year’s meeting and providing coffee and treats which were particularly welcome on a cold, grey day.

Barry made opening remarks with regard to the serious flooding issues in Ontario and Quebec.

1. Agenda: The agenda was reviewed and approved unanimously.

2. Minutes: Adoption of the minutes for the Annual Meeting held May 22, 2016, approved unanimously.

3. Treasurer’s Report:

a) The Financial Update was posted on the Troy Lake website prior to the meeting. The carry forward balance from 2016 is $3,111.54 (as of May 1, 2017). Last year was a record year for the collection of dues. Dues were collected from 32 properties plus arrears from 2015 were settled in the amount of $300. The financial report was accepted unanimously.

b) The township has advised the Association that a road grant will be issued for 2017 sometime in June. No amount was given; however, it will most likely be in the order of $450, similar to last year.

c) The renewal of the FOCA membership was approved unanimously. The membership fee for FOCA is a function of the number of contributing Association members.

d) The Road Insurance will be renewed at $705.24 for the 2017 season. This represents a modest increase over last year. The due date for payment is May 31, 2017. The actual policy is now posted on our website.

 e) A cheque of $270.00 for snow removal has already been paid to Don Orr. The monies collected represent voluntary contributions from members.

4. Road Report: Don Orr reported that the road is in particularly bad condition. He normally has Tackaberry grade and gravel the road before the meeting; however, it was not possible this year due a to a heavy work load. Don will coordinate with Tackaberry to get the work completed when their schedule permits.

Due to road conditions, it is expected that the cost of road maintenance will be more expensive than last year. He requested a budget of $3,000.

Brent McEvoy raised the issue of speeding, especially close to the large hill. A subsequent discussion regarding the posting of signs took place and it was agreed that the Road Committee would look into appropriate signage. It was then recommended that the road budget be increased to $3,500 for maintenance and signage. This was accepted.

5. Membership/Road Dues, 2017: The membership agreed that the annual dues would remain at **$100.00**. Those who wish to contribute $25.00 or more toward snow removal may continue to do so; however, this is strictly voluntary.

6. Position of Secretary-Treasurer: Don Orr proposed the appointment of Steve Lauridsen as the Secretary-Treasurer. This motion was seconded by Andy Van Harmelen and was accepted.

***Please forward cheques made payable to the Troy Lake Ratepayers Association to Steve Lauridsen, 172 Row Place, Brockville, ON, K6B 6B2 or drop them off to any of the Executive Members.***

7. Water Lake Report: The Lake Report has already been posted on the website. Todd Arnold reported that the lake conditions are the best he has seen over the period that he has been taking water quality measurements.

8. Clean-up Day: The annual Clean-up Day will be held on **Saturday, July 8.** All cottagers are encouraged to participate. Participants will meet at Steve

Lauridsen’s cottage #470B at 9:00 am for coffee.

9. Annual General Meeting 2018: The meeting will be held **Sunday, May 20, 2018** starting at **10:00 am** at The Parkers’ cottage #506.

10. Other Business: Annual Lake Party: No one in attendance offered to host the party this year; however, should any member wish to do so please contact the Executive Committee.

The meeting adjourned at 10:35 am.

TLRA Executive Committee Members:

Barry Hoover President

Steve Lauridsen Secretary-Treasurer

Don Orr Head of Road Committee

Tim Wright President-Elect