

TROY LAKE RATEPAYERS ASSOCIATION (TLRA)

Minutes of the **Annual General Meeting** held on **Sunday, May 19, 2019, at 10:00 am**, at the cottage of Kris Cieplak and Veronica Prochazka.

Members present:

Arnold, Todd	Lystiuk, Alicia	Orr, Don	Prochazka,
Cieplak, Kris	McEvoy, Brent	Osmond, Anne	Veronica
Hoover, Barry	McEvoy, Audrey	Osmond,	Wilkinson, Steve
Kellam, John	McGill, Mary Ellen	Dennis	Wilkinson, Rochelle
Lauridsen, Steve	Norton, Jeff	Parker, Doug	Wright, Tim
Lystiuk, Justin	Norton, Peggy	Parker, Ron	

President Tim Wright called the meeting to order at 10:09 am. Tim extended a Thank-you to Kris and Veronica for hosting this meeting and providing refreshments.

1. Agenda: Moved by Jeff Norton and seconded by Dennis Osmond the agenda for today's meeting be accepted as circulated. **Motion Carried**

2. Minutes: Moved by Ron Parker seconded by Anne Osmond the minutes of the Annual Meeting held May 20, 2018, be accepted with one correction; the date at the top should have read 2018 not 2017. **Motion Carried**

3. Treasurer's Report:

a) The Financial Statement was issued to all members with the agenda prior to the meeting. A copy is included with these minutes. The bank balance at this time is \$1259.99 Road dues were collected from 32 property owners out of 33 total. Our expenditures totaled ~147% of income for 2018 due primarily to the unplanned expenditure of replacing a large culvert. Moved by Steve Lauridsen and seconded by Todd Arnold that the financial statement for 2018 be accepted. **Motion Carried**

b) The township will assist associations like ours with a road grant allowance which we should receive sometime in June. No amount was given; however, it will most likely be in the order of \$480, similar to last year.

c) The Road Insurance invoice for 2019 is \$719.28 a slight increase from last year. Moved by Don Orr and seconded by Ron Parker that this invoice be paid. **Motion Carried**

d) The renewal of the FOCA membership for 2019 was moved by Steve Wilkinson and seconded by Anne Osmond. The membership fee for FOCA is a function of the number of contributing Association members. This membership

affords us access to better insurance rates as well as a lobby on Government issues that pertain to cottage ownership. **Motion Carried**

e) The voluntary contributions from members for snow removal have already been paid to Don Orr in the amount indicated in the Financial Statement. Don expressed his appreciation to members who have contributed to this funding in the past year.

4. Road Report: Don Orr reported that our road has wintered okay and has come through the Spring thaw better than some previous years Seasonal grading and gravel will likely occur in the next few weeks. We expect the road expenditure to be in line with last year's maintenance amount ~\$1800.00.

5. Road Clean-up Day: The annual Road Clean-up day will be held on **Saturday, July 13th**. All cottagers are encouraged to participate. Participants will meet at Don Orr's #566 at 9:00am to get started. This work entails weed cutting and branch trimming along the road.

6. Membership/Road Dues, 2019: Following a discussion it was moved by Steve Wilkinson and seconded by Peggy Norton that the annual dues for 2019 be set at \$150.00. **Motion Carried**

The increase in dues for the coming year is to allow us to have a slightly larger bank balance to cover any unplanned road maintenance as happened in 2018. We have traditionally had ~\$3000 in our account versus our current \$1259. Additionally our greatest expense is road grading plus gravel and road insurance which are all payable in May and June when our cash reserves are the lowest.

Please forward cheques made payable to the Troy Lake Ratepayers Association to Steve Lauridsen, 172 Row Place, Brockville, ON, K6V 6V2 or if you wish to use e-Transfer please use the e-mail: Lauridsen@sympatico.ca

Those who wish to contribute toward winter snow removal may continue to do so with the funds provided to Don Orr for his time and equipment used; however, this is strictly voluntary.

7. Water Lake Report: The Lake Report is attached to these minutes. Todd Arnold reported that the lake conditions are remaining good and continue trending in a positive direction.

8. Defibrillator Discussion: Don Orr has purchased an Automated External Defibrillator (AED) which he has at his home and if needed, the unit can be made available. Don and Tim will discuss ways to enhance availability of the AED if the Orr's were not at home when it was needed.

9. Secretary/Treasure Election: The incumbent agreed to stay on for another two-year term if the membership agreed, there were no nominations.

10. Community Event: Veronica Prochazka proposed a progressive dinner/social event with a tentative date of July 27th. This would involve 3 or 4 cottagers hosting progressively appetizers, main course, dessert and coffee starting in late afternoon and moving from one venue to another. Veronica has agreed to coordinate. Look for more information to follow.

10. Annual Lake Social: Justin and Alicia Lystiuk have offered to host a cottagers get-together tentatively on the August long weekend. As further details are available we will send out a separate notice and invitation.

11. Other Business: Members were made aware that the culverts under the private road leading to the Lystiuk and Kellam properties is deteriorated and will need to be replaced in the future. While it is understood that this is on a private road not part of the association-maintained roadway the culvert is the only outlet for Troy Lake and failure of this structure could lead to flooding of low-lying properties along the lake. The Executive will discuss the topic further and bring the topic back to the membership before any commitment is made to assist with the repair/replacement of the culvert.

Dennis Osmond discussed the issue of Deer ticks (aka blacklegged ticks) and their relationship to Lyme disease. We know ticks are present in this area and people should be aware of how to prevent exposure (long pants and sleeves, insect repellents, avoiding tall grasses and low shrubs where ticks can often be found. Additionally we need to check for ticks after being in potential exposure areas and remove any promptly. The presence of the “bulls eye” pattern following a tick exposure is sufficient to warrant medical attention for potential exposure to Lyme disease so treatment can begin.

A seminar is being held on Septic Systems on June 8th in Plevna that members can attend if they wish, the attachment has the details.

12. Annual General Meeting 2020: The meeting will be held **Sunday, May 17th, 2020** starting at **10:00 am** at the Tim and Janice Wright cottage #654.

The meeting adjourned at approximately 11:00 am.

TLRA Executive Committee Members for 2019:

Tim Wright	President
Steve Lauridsen	Secretary-Treasurer
Don Orr	Head of Road Committee
Kris Cieplak	President-Elect