



## 2016 AGM Minutes (Unadopted)

### Kawagama Lake Cottagers' Association Annual General Meeting Dorset Recreation Centre – July 2, 2016 -- 10:00 am

#### AGENDA

Call to order and welcome	Jim Kaufman
Adoption of 2015 AGM Meeting Minutes	Jim Kaufman
Adoption of 2015 Financials	Jen Watson
Presentation to Dorset Volunteer Firefighters	Robert Bill
President's 2016 Update	Jim Kaufman
Update – Love your Lake	Julia Sutton
Permits – Buildings and Docks	Mitch O'Grady
New Business	Jim Kaufman
Adjournment	Jim Kaufman

#### **Call to Order and Welcome**

The meeting was called to order by President Jim Kaufman at 10:05 am. Jim explained we have changed the format of the meeting to shorten the business portion in order to give our guest speakers the floor as quickly as possible. Brian Lynch, Councillor for Algonquin Highlands, was in attendance.

#### **Adoption of 2015 AGM Meeting Minutes**

Marion Michinsky moved adoption of the minutes of the Annual General Meeting held on July 4, 2015 as printed in Reflections. The motion was seconded by John McHardy and carried.

#### **Adoption of 2015 Financial Statements as Printed in Reflections**

Bob Michinsky moved adoption of the Financial Statements as printed in Reflections. The motion was seconded by Eric Millar and carried.

#### **Presentation of Donation to Dorset Volunteer Firefighters**

Robert Bill introduced Dan Flynn, Station Chief of Dorset, and presented a cheque in the amount of \$1,500.00 on behalf of the KLCA membership to Sam Allard, Association President. Chief Flynn expressed his appreciation for the KLCA's support, explaining that last year's donation from the KLCA helped obtain a GPS for their marine unit. With this year's donation, they're looking to purchase a covered trailer for their snowmobile.

#### **President's 2016 Update**

Jim Kaufman explained a nominal change was made this year to how we manage the KLCA. He went on to explain how many of our KLCA Directors chair a committee and showed the list of Committees that we currently have in place (see attached). Jim then introduced the Board members. He also shared a chart showing various statistics for Kawagama and Bear Lakes and showing just what the KLCA does (see attached).

### **'Love Your Lake' Update (presentation attached)**

The Shoreline Study that was done last year was led by John McHardy, with Julia Sutton. Jim introduced Julia Sutton, Owner of Sutton Environmental Services, who provided an update on the 'Love Your Lake Project' and where we are now. We have two grants available for those who want to improve their shoreline.

### **Questions / comments following this presentation:**

- If you haven't received your Shoreline Report, send an email to [info@klca.org](mailto:info@klca.org) and John McHardy will track it down for you.
- The question was asked 'what percentage of cottager owners were assessed, and how do we stack up?' Jim indicated we are waiting for a report from Watersheds Canada to give us this information; this report will also tell us what percentage of the shoreline is natural.
- Out of 1,089 properties, only six properties opted out of having the survey done on their shoreline.
- Muskoka Watersheds Management Plan was supposed to be done this year but was postponed five years. A 'Water Levels' Committee meeting will take place July 16 to address changes.

### **'Permits – Buildings and Docks'**

Mitch O'Grady, a Retired Chief Building/Bylaw Enforcement Officer for Algonquin Highlands Municipality, has 40 years' experience in this area, and currently owns 'Algonquin Residential Building Consulting Services'. Mitch provided an informative overview of how to navigate construction projects in cottage country.

Jim thanked the two speakers, and asked that if anyone has ideas for speakers for next year to please let us know.

### **Moorelands Summer Starry Night**

Mike Wiebe put in a plug for Summer Starry Night. Mike is **part of a committee** organizing the 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Summer Night event for Moorelands Camp. Learned from Rob Walliser that the camp has been running a deficit for a number of years. **The event** pulled off \$36K for the camp last year and it was the first year Moorelands ran with no deficit. We took on the opportunity to take this one – hoping for 150 attendees this year. 50 tickets sold as of Friday. Get your tickets at: [www.moorelands.ca/starry](http://www.moorelands.ca/starry); you'll be issued a tax receipt for \$100. Il Fornello, Muskoka Brewers, Flatrock Cellar are all local cottagers on the lake and they are providing the food and beverages. The event is scheduled for August 20<sup>th</sup>.

### **New Business**

The CHA (Coalition of Haliburton Property Owners' Association) donated a wine starter kit valued at \$250. Congratulations to Patricia Davidson for having the winning ticket.

### **Adjournment**

A motion to adjourn the meeting was made by John McHardy at 11:45 am.

Minutes prepared by Pat Boyd, KLCA Secretary