

Cottage Owners Association Meeting – April 27, 2016 at Clubhouse

Present: Harold Haubrich, Bob Bissonnette, Linda Crooks, Aline Kirk, Gavin Harrow, Karen Schaitel, Jackie Huyghebaert

Karen Schaitel called the meeting to order at 9:35 a.m.

Minutes: Linda Crooks moved that the minutes of the Oct. 20, 2015 meeting be adopted as circulated. Gavin H. seconded. Carried.

Business Arising From Minutes:

Karen reported that she spoke to Brent about people who are interested in volunteering. He will keep that in mind and get back to her with any potential projects.

Jackie Huyghebaert moved that the park be asked to make it mandatory for garbage to be placed in garbage cans on the street in the cottage area to prevent wild life from tearing through the bags. Harold Haubrich seconded. Carried.

Agenda: Harold Haubrich asked that flower pots be added under new business. Linda Crooks informed that she wrote a letter to the Lafleche Bar asking for a donation to the Cottage Owners Association from the left over proceeds of the bar sale.

Old Business:

- a) Pickle Ball Court; Sound System; Disk Golf; Volleyball Net & Balls
Harold reported on three options for the pickle ball court project:
 - 1) 2 asphalt courts (50x100) and a fence \$24,300
 - 2) 1 asphalt court (30x60) and a fast cover dome \$23,675
 - 3) 2 asphalt courts and a fast cover dome covering one court \$30,675Gavin Harrow moved that we get three quotes for a 60x120 court using three different products: concrete, asphalt and crushed rubber crumb. Jackie Huyghebaert moved that the motion be amended to read a 60x60 court. Linda Crooks seconded. Carried
Gavin Harrow left the meeting at 10:30 am.
- b) Policy on Tree Donations: Karen reported that she thinks that recipients should be provided with three choices of trees at a value of \$100, \$150 and \$200. Anyone donating to this program would have their name posted at a location yet to be determined. Will need to check with the park regarding any policy that may be in place.
Jackie Huyghebaert moved that the board representatives inquire into whether the park has a tree donation policy and report back at the next meeting. Karen Schaitel seconded. Carried.

Financial Report:

- Aline reported that there is \$15,931.28 in the bank as of March 31, 2016. This does not include the \$20,000 pickle ball court grant which was deposited on April 4, 2016. Bob Bissonnette moved that the financial report be approved as presented. Harold Haubrich seconded. Carried.

Correspondence:

- A letter from Service Canada has been received approving our Pickle Ball grant application. Project must be completed by March 25, 2017. Aline will call to clarify some of the conditions regarding potential changes.

Park Report:

Gavin Harrow reported on the following:

- New Regional Park Act has been proclaimed which may result in board bylaws and constitution needing to be amended.
 - Brent Shenher did winter garbage pick-up
 - Wes Popescu was hired as second full time maintenance staff
 - Titles for east quarter moving towards finalization
 - New management for swimming pool concession; building refurbished.
 - Very little snow to remove this past winter
 - A couple of break-ins and a little property damage to park assets
 - New filleting shed built
 - Solar lights installed on Cottage Avenue
 - Club house upgrades
 - Rehabilitation of shoreline – applying for grants to restore #6 and #7
 - Playground equipment installed in campground area
 - Power upgraded in Gopher Hollow
 - Staffing in place for pool – hours will not be reduced this year.
- Aline added:
- Bill Wilson and Bob Bowler new board members
 - Old Wives Watershed creating action plan for Thomson Lake to build awareness and they provided \$1,000 to the park to purchase trees.
 - Leasing of 20 northern sites for one year by lottery – will be reviewed at end of year to determine if this will be offered in future years.

New Business:

- Market in the Park and Meet and Greet – Saturday, July 16, 2016
- Cottage Owners Annual Meeting – Friday, June 17, 2016
- Flower Pots – Larry and Pat Dennison used to prepare pots for flowers. Will have to talk to Sherry Sproule about a replacement.

Bob Bissonnette moved that the meeting adjourn at 11:40 a.m.

Chair

Secretary-treasurer