

## **LAKE ST. PETER PROPERTY OWNERS' ASSOCIATION (LSPPOA)**

### **2019 Annual General Meeting (AGM) Minutes**

#### **General Update (Geoff Aldworth, President LSPPOA)**

The 2019 AGM was held on Sunday August 4<sup>th</sup>, 2019 from 9:00 to 11:45 a.m. at the Lake St. Peter Community Centre, 5 Boulter Lake Road.

Geoff Aldworth welcomed everyone to the 7<sup>th</sup> Annual LSPPOA AGM; 44 people were in attendance. Geoff welcomed special guest speakers including: Hastings Highlands Fire Chief Danny Koroscil, as well as Mayor Vic Bodnar, Deputy Mayor Tracy Hagar and Councilors Dorothy Gerrow and Tammy Davis.

Geoff introduced the LSPPOA executive and the key portfolio coordinators, recognized the tireless efforts of John Severinac, Tom and Bonny Scanlan, John and Liz Doherty and from our road captains. Geoff put out an appeal for assistance on managing our website, currently run by John. If anyone knows of someone who has these skills to please step forward.

Geoff highlighted specific feedback received from members regarding:

- Nesting Waterfowl / Managing Your Boat Wake – especially in the Narrows
- Navigational Buoys

He noted that he did not receive one single guess to the photo challenge he put out last December.

Geoff mentioned the first annual LSPPOA Corn Roast /Social Event scheduled for Saturday August 17<sup>th</sup> from 4 to 7 p.m. at the Lake St. Peter Community Centre.

Geoff provided a brief update on the ongoing Severance Application along the east side of Lake St. Peter between the North and South roads. All members received a formal email update on this application a few days prior to this meeting. Geoff encouraged people to exercise their rights and share any concerns they may have with Hastings County and Hastings Highlands. Contact info was provided to members of the LSPPOA a few weeks back.

Geoff reminded those in attendance that the association is built upon the membership and encouraged continued active participation and noted the need for feedback from members and continued support from volunteers within the association.

Geoff reviewed the LSPPOA Mission Statement:

## Mission Statement

The Lake St. Peter Property Owners' Association (LSPPOA) is a non-profit, community-based and volunteer-driven organization dedicated to the support of, and advocacy for, conservation of Lake St. Peter and Boulter Lake, their waterways and surrounding lands for present and future generations through responsible environmental stewardship.

Geoff made special note of the thrust or focus of the LSPPOA is heavy on the environment. He specifically highlighted the:

- the establishment of boat wash stations at Delmar Cottages and South Shore Cottages
- efforts on invasive species, new signage, turtle seminars and signs
- road clean-up and thank you BBQ for volunteers
- annual charity yard sale, where proceeds go to the Maynooth Food Bank

Geoff highlighted the significant value of being a member in the association, encouraging property owners to be responsible stewards of the land. A key associated benefit of membership in the LSPPOA, is automatic membership in the Federation of Ontario Cottagers Association (FOCA). FOCA provides a wealth of educational information, conducts spring and fall seminars and sends out regular email communication.

Geoff encouraged those in attendance to exhibits and view the wealth of educational materials set-up at the back of the room

The 2018 AGM minutes were approved.

## Danny Koroscil (Hastings Highlands Fire Chief)

Danny gave a powerpoint presentation, copy attached discussing five key topics related to Brush, Grass and Wildfire Issues:

1. Open Burning
2. Burning during a Total Fire Ban
3. Burning Trash \ Garbage and Recyclables
4. Incinerators \ Burn Barrels
5. Clearance from Woods



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Also attached is a copy of the Open Burning By-Law.



Danny highlighted enforcement is difficult given the size of Hastings-Highlands (973 km<sup>2</sup>). He noted numerous Fire Smart materials at the back left-hand corner of the room.

Danny noted that Hastings-Highlands is actively recruiting firefighters. If selected Training will be provided. Individuals of all ages will require a Police Background Check.

Danny displayed some Smoke Alarms that are available from the Fire Department at considerably reduced cost. He displayed a Smoke, CO alarm with a 10-year battery that talks to you that retails for \$70 in stores, the Fire Department sells for \$40.

Danny outlined that Provincial Parks, including Lake St. Peter, because they are governed differently may not follow Fire Ban rules in the same fashion as area residents.

## Mayor Bodnar

Mayor Bodnar was asked to speak about two primary items and an item or two of interest to Hastings-Highlands (HH).

He chose to speak to Spring Flooding, Septic System Maintenance Inspection Program and its impact on Water Quality related to Phosphorus Levels

### Spring Flooding

Certain areas reported damage that was done to their property and we brought in the provincial Ministry to assess the damage. Those homeowners that qualified are being handled by government assistance not covered by their insurance. We also instituted an exemption to tipping fees for people who had damage to their homes and were needing to dump the damaged materials. If homeowners wish to adjust the shoreline to prevent flooding which might be a major task, anything that touches or goes into the water is controlled by the MNRF. If it is work that needs to be done to the shoreline not in the water, they can approach the municipality for permission to do a limited amount of work. I would suggest that the planting of certain shrubs and trees is a good first plan of attack.

Sand bags and sand were provided for those that needed them in reported flood areas. There were notices on the web site and I believe in the newspaper and radio. As long as the weather and at this point climate change continues to be an issue you can pretty

much guarantee that the flooding will happen again. In the past without any oversight or regulations people had built on flood plain with disastrous results.

On a side issue this year we were faced with a minimum of 24 culverts that had to be replaced or repaired due to flooding issues. Some as large as 10 feet by 120 feet. The cost as you can imagine was astronomical. We are attempting to get provincial assistance to cover this as our municipality obviously cannot afford such a costly repair.

### Septic System Maintenance Inspection Program

Hastings-Highlands have started investigations into initiating a Septic System Maintenance Inspection Program. Similar programs have and are being run in surrounding communities such as North Kawartha, Highlands East, Dysart et. al. etc. The reasoning behind this initiative is because of the Water Quality and Management Report for Lake Trout Lakes in Hastings County that indicated that numerous lakes suffered from an over abundance of phosphorous and nitrogen. This extreme amount stimulates the rapid growth of algae which displaces oxygen which is vital to fish survival. Domestic sewage contains high levels of phosphorus and nitrogen so by having proper operating septic systems that are monitored for efficiency we can limit the amount of harmful nutrients entering the water systems. What will be required is to pass a Bylaw in council that covers our needs to inspect and that is enforceable. If we follow the example from other municipalities the procedure would look like this: Selecting a lake that is small enough but that is classified as “at capacity.” We are at this time considering Diamond Lake.

The Federation of Ontario Cottagers Associations (FOCA) stated, “as cottage owners, we have a shared responsibility to maintain the health of our lakes by limiting the inputs of phosphorus.” This can be done by;

1. Maintaining a properly functioning septic system.
2. Reduce your water use.
3. Implement mandatory septic inspections.
4. Naturalize your shoreline.
5. Limit the amount of impervious surfaces, including roofs, parking areas, and patios.
6. Adopt strong stewardship programs to educate other lake users on ways to promote good water quality.
7. Encourage enhanced septic system setback limits.

Since this is the first time Hastings Highlands has attempted to do this we hope that property owners will comprehend the necessity of preserving the quality of the lakes and cooperate with the inspections. If there are any comments, or questions please contact me at the municipal office [vbodnar@hastingshighlands.ca](mailto:vbodnar@hastingshighlands.ca).

A compilation of the addresses and history of the cottages on the lake will be done, possibly by a student that will be employed by the municipality through a student program that we have participated in previous years. Generally, our records go back to approximately 1980, so for the Herschel area because of lost records, and those structures will more than likely have an adequate system in place and the file will detail that. Notices will be sent out and advertised that the process will begin. As the list is being completed a questionnaire will go out to the property owners asking for more data that will help the student locate and visually inspect the system. It will ask for a time to meet with the property owner to discuss their system. Indicate on a map the location of the tank and entrance covers. It will also ask for the type and number of buildings, bathrooms etc.

A Site Inspection Report will be filed by the student with the building official and bylaw officer. For those locations that have systems that are already on file the questionnaire will detail when the last pump out was done.

Once all the data has been received decision will be made as to further inspections and orders being issued to comply with the bylaw.

The inspection form itself will include type of system, visual and scent evidence, proper location (with reference to lake side, well, etc.), vegetation, date of last pump out, and possible other criteria.

### Other Items of Interest

1. 317 new cell towers will be installed across Eastern Ontario.
2. A partnership between the MNR, Hastings Highlands, and the Bancroft and Area Stewardship Council is working on 4 boat launch sites that will be refurbished. These include; Big Point on Papineau, Hinterland on Kamanisseg, Bark Lake, and North Baptiste.
3. For the first time we are running swim classes on Papineau beach which started July15 and run until the end of August. 20 people joined this program!

Question received – Speed on Roads, Dogs Barking, Noise late at night – Mayor Bodnar encouraged people to contact the HH By-Law Officer – Dawn Bowers ([bylawofficer@hastingshighlands.ca](mailto:bylawofficer@hastingshighlands.ca))

### Waste Management

Councilor Gerrow addressed those present about ongoing initiatives relating to Waste and Recycling/ Composting

A committee has been formed with reps from HH and two member of the public related to the loss of curbside pick-up.

Hazardous Waste Days – two held annually. One on July 17<sup>th</sup> and the next on in October. Re-Use It Days held the same day as Hazardous Waste. Residents encouraged to put out items at end of driveway and mark as Free on the day of and have them removed if they do not go by the morning of the next day.

HH – the previous recycling distributor closed recently. A temporary arrangement has been set-up with a MIRF facility in Trenton (MIRF are recycling facilities). New recycling rules – caps must be off all containers and all containers must be clean. No black plastic allowed in recyclables.

Canada is in a crisis-situation regarding recyclables – overseas countries no longer willing to take our recyclables. The market has dried up. A report to be presented at September Council meeting.

Councilor Matheson is looking into either the acquisition of an Incinerator and/or Digester. The latter being currently favoured. A \$25 M digester is being investigated to take all our recyclables and convert them into products they can sell. If deemed economically viable to the supplier, HH may get the digester for free.

Composting – Property owners encouraged to actively compost. Not currently cost effective at local waste facilities.

## Break (20 Minutes)

## Membership Update (Ann Judson)

In 2018/19 we reached an all-time high of 67 members, up from 57 in the prior year. Our voluntary road captains, currently numbering 12, make multiple call-backs to ensure the broadest possible coverage throughout the May to September time frame. Some of our Executive continue to extend themselves by also participating as road captains. That said, there remains a need for additional road captains to cover both Boulter Lake and the LSP (Skidmore) subdivision, so please consider volunteering to help eliminate this gap in our canvassing efforts.

The preferred option of using your bank's Interac e-Transfer facility to pay membership dues makes joining our association easier.

I urge you to post your LSPPOA membership sign at the entrance to your property. For those property owners who renewed their membership using e-Transfer, your road captain will drop by to affix the 2019 sticker to your sign.

## Interlake Update (Ann Judson)

Hastings Highlands Interlake was created 7 years ago to proactively work together as volunteers to ensure strong stewardship/protection of our lakes and waterways now and for years to come. The lakes represented by the Interlake are Diamond, Baptiste, Salmon Trout, Lake St. Peter/Boulter, Mink, Papineau, and Kamanisgeg. The mission statement of the Interlake reads as follows:

“Hastings Highlands Interlake Association, an umbrella group of associations with mutual concerns and expertise, advocates with a united voice for the protection of our lakes and the rights and interests of our members with all levels of governments and agencies”.

This year’s meeting of the HH Interlake, the 7<sup>th</sup> since the association was formed, was held June 1st at Barry’s Bay with Lake Kamanisgeg hosting and providing both refreshments and a luncheon. Mayor Bodnar attended to provide HH updates, and John O’Donnell was present to give an overview of BASC operations.

Last year, the Interlake successfully planned and moderated the municipal All Candidates Meeting in September attended by over 200 of the public. Again in September the Interlake planned and subsequently hosted a Wildfire Evacuation Meeting with representatives from provincial and county Emergency Services, MNRF, Hastings Highlands, O.P.P. and the HH Interlake. In addition, the Interlake has joined the Maynooth and Hastings Highlands Business Association.

As Chair, I gave an overview presentation of the Interlake and its operations to the new HH Council in April of this year, the underlying theme being “Together in Stewardship”.

Two primary concerns for waterfront property owners throughout Ontario are water quality and land use planning (LUP). These concerns have led to the growth of regional groups like the Coalition of Haliburton Property Owners Associations (CHA), the North Kawartha Lakes Association (NORKLA), and our own regional group. As Hastings Highlands exists as a lake-based economy, recognition must be given to changing demographics, with many people moving from urban centres to waterfront homes in rural communities. The current StatsCan information indicates that growth in Hastings Highlands will be from such population movement. Optimally, there are a number of initiatives that all stakeholders need to address concerning Land Use Planning and Water Quality, such as

- seeking input from the community at large through informal meetings
- supporting and encouraging educational outreach
- working as a team in a proactive vs reactive mode
- earlier direct notification of proposed bylaws and/or amendments
- avoiding we/they conflicts; seeing the community as a whole

- reviewing current zoning bylaws

As part of its mandate the Interlake continues to work with similar lake/property owners' associations, FOCA, stewardship-related agencies and government bodies to advocate on your behalf. We are presently reviewing septic re-inspection programs and working internally to form a Land Use Planning committee to provide insight as to best practices

Excessive firework displays are a growing concern on all seven lakes due to the risk of fire and, in many reported instances, total disregard for burning and noise bylaws. Member lakes have been asked to survey their membership to identify individual concerns and bring them forward to the Interlake.

Another shared concern is that of rental properties whose guests party all day and night, illegally dump garbage along the road, overload and abuse septic systems, and generally show a lack of respect for the peace and quiet rights of neighbouring owners. The Interlake is reaching out to lake associations in other municipalities to ascertain potential solutions, including legislation and more oversight of prospective clients by rental agencies and Airbnb operators.

## Environment Report (Bonny Scanlan)

### Water Quality

Water Quality continues to be the biggest concern of most people. We continue working with FOCA and the Lake Partner Program (LPP) in doing the monthly Secchi disk testing as soon as the ice goes out and sending the results to the Dorset Center at the end of the season. The LPP monitors three parameters (Total Phosphorus (TP), Calcium Concentrations (Ca) and Water Clarity) in Ontario's lakes. This information will allow the early detection of changes in the nutrient status and/or the water clarity of a lake due to the impacts of shoreline development, climate change and other stresses. The LPP secchi results are consistent with previous years.

Boulter Lake has a volunteer Norm Wills who also has registered to start testing as well.

There was a funding concern due to the changes in Provincial priorities and funding. FOC sent out a 'call to action' last fall and we wrote to the Minister of the Environment, Conservation & Parks (MECP) who was Rod Phillips at the time. Letters were also sent to the local MPP Daryl Kramp and NDP Peter Tabuns Critic, Energy & Climate Change. Feedback was received from these individuals. Good news funding support was provided for the Dorset centre for the year 2019. Funding is uncertain for 2020.

A volunteer backup was requested for Lake St. Peter and the new full-time resident Teddy Windmoller who has his boat in the water earlier and later in the season will assist Tom Scanlan when required.

To better understand the Lake Partner Program visit the FOCA webpage.  
<http://FOCA.on.ca/lake-partner-program-sampling-assistance/>.

To register with the Lake Partner Program toll-free at 1-800-470-8322 or by email at [lakepartner@ontario.ca](mailto:lakepartner@ontario.ca) or you can visit [www.desc.ca/program/lpp](http://www.desc.ca/program/lpp).

## Ice In / Ice Out

Charlie Foster, a lifelong resident of Lake St. Peter, has recorded the annual Ice In/ Ice Out days for Lake St. Peter since 1980. A summary of this information including charts was posted at the back of the room and is also available on the web [www.lakestpeterassoc.com](http://www.lakestpeterassoc.com).

Update – Charlie Foster is recovering from extensive heart surgery. The Association wishes him a speedy recovery.

## Invasive Species / Powerwash Stations

The LSSPOA continues to network with other associations across Ontario to help in the education of Invasive Species. It is strongly supported by FOCA's Aquatic Invasive Species Prevention Program. To find out more about Invasive Species, including detailed resources, visit <https://foca.on.ca/invasive-species>.

Last November we sent out an update to the membership on the 2018 activities.

- The Clean+Drain+Dry Your Boat signs were distributed around the community to local businesses.
- Clean+Drain+Dry sign was erected at the municipal boat launch at Dogs Point. This was made possible by a FOCA Grant through the Baptist Lake Association (part of our Interlake group) which paid for the hardware required and the installation was done by Hastings Highlands Operations Dept.
- A powerwasher, sign and brochures were provided to Lake St. Peter Provincial Park also through a FOCA Grant. They were very receptive of the program. For 2018, the LSP Park had 12,500 registered guests many of which used the wash station.
- Delmar Cottages – John Severinac established a powerwash station for his guests as well as the LSPPOA membership.

2019 Updates:

- South Shore cottages contacted us for the materials to set up a station for their guests. Signs and educational brochures we taken over to Brad & Dori.
- West Pines have set up a wash station for both ATV's and Boats. Thank you to Amy & Eoin for getting involved as well.

We encourage you to share this information with family and friends who may be moving watercraft between bodies of water.

## Spring Road Cleanup

The community & Association members clean the roadsides designated. This takes place after the snow disappears and before the May long weekend.

2019 – 62.5 bags

2018 – 56 bags

Term 'Plogging' Picking up trash while jogging was introduced last year. Now I find out that Lake St. Peter has its own "Trash Man" and others that continue to pick up throughout the season.

FYI – items noted during the pick up by us 24 beer/wine/bottles, plastics, cigarette butts.

\*Dogs Point continues to be littered and much trash appears to be thrown further into the bush and as such is harder to get to. Also found garbage washed up along the shoreline near this point. A garbage can may need to be setup yet requires consistent monitoring.

A thank you BBQ was held in June for the cleanup crew sponsored by the LSPPOA.

Thank you to John Severinac for his continued organization of the Road Clean up. If anyone else would like to volunteer please let us know.

## Reduce/Reuse/ Recycle (Yard Sale)

Thank you to all contributors and buyers. A special thanks to John Severinac and Tom Scanlan for their time and effort in preparing and managing the sale day. Also thank you to volunteers Gary Morden and John Doherty on sale day.

2019 total so far is \$1528.00 our highest amount yet!

2018 \$1200.00

2017 \$1160.00

Thank you to John Doherty for again donating an original piece of art and managing ticket sales. The draw will take place at our 1<sup>st</sup> Social on Saturday August 17 at the Lake St. Peter Community Centre from 4 to 7 p.m.

All items not sold on the sale day are then donated to the Lake St. Peter Outreach Church so the benefits are spread even further into the community.

When the grand total is known our donation will be given to the Maynooth Food Bank.

## Turtle Guardians

In 2017 we did try and identify turtle nesting sites at Lake St. Peter with hopes of getting road signage. Unfortunately, we didn't get the MNRF signs but the Bancroft "Watch 4 Turtle" signs that took off thanks to Kelly Wallace's efforts. The Watch 4 Turtles signs have raised more awareness for turtles on roads than any government or NGO effort has done previously. The program is so effective that it has gone "viral" and has spread throughout the province, and into other parts of the country.

We do have a Turtle Guardian – Liz Doherty who is continually learning how to protect the turtles that nest on the road shoulders and are at particular risk to predators and road mortality. Seven of the eight Ontario turtles are at risk so every turtle saved helps. I have attended 3 workshops to continually learn more about the plight of turtles and their environment. All workshops have been available to the public at the Hastings Highlands Library. I did see other families from LSP there as well.

- The Land Between – Design Your Own Shoreline

This was an excellent presentation that went far beyond Shoreline Gardening. I strongly recommend this presentation if you are interested in geography, ecosystems, wildlife, natural gardening and so much more.

[www.thelandbetween.ca](http://www.thelandbetween.ca)

- OTCC – Ontario Turtle Conservation Centre – Kawartha Turtle Trauma Centre

This presentation had many displays, turtle replica models and live turtles. This was particularly good for families and small children to see the turtles up close. Injured turtle contact:

<https://ontarioturtle.ca> 705-741-5000

- Think Turtle Conservation Initiative – Kelly Wallace

Kelly also gives a good personal presentation on turtles particularly how to safely assist a turtle crossing the road and awareness raising efforts.

Turtle Taxi volunteers are needed for the occasional transport of injured turtles in need of quick medical attention.

Email: [thinkturtle@yahoo.com](mailto:thinkturtle@yahoo.com) Cell: 647-606-9537

Signs "Watch 4 Turtles" \$10.00

## Spring FOCA Seminar and AGM (Ann Judson)

The event was held Saturday, March 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2019 at the Boulevard Club in Toronto. The theme of the day was "Association Planning: Getting it Right".

Following a year in review presentation by Executive Director Terry Rees and recognition of the FOCA Achievement Award recipient association, President Marlin Horst (Baptiste Lake) introduced the guest speaker Dave Meslin. Dave spoke on the topic “Connecting with your municipal council – and why”, providing the audience with top tips on the positive benefits to be derived from such interaction.

The afternoon session featured a panel discussion on “Creative Solutions to Boating Issues”. Panel participants included Sgt. Dave Moffat, Marine Coordinator of the OPP, and Greg Wilkinson of the Safe Quiet Lakes organization. Following the panel discussion, attendees chose to attend one of three smaller break-out information and question/answer sessions:

1. Cottage Succession Planning and ways to keep the cottage in the family for the next generation (which I attended). More details about cottage succession can be found at <https://foca.on.ca/cottage-succession/>
2. Association Organizational Planning, e.g. incorporated or unincorporated
3. A Deeper Dive into Boating Issues with speakers from the earlier Boating Session plus additional guests and voices on boating issues raised by FOCA members

Remember, you can always search the FOCA website for information on any particular subject by going to <https://foca.on.ca/resources/>

## Fireworks

A straw vote indicated that the majority of LSPPOA member present at the AGM favoured limiting Fireworks in some manner.

## Financial Report (Treasurer - Craig Judson)

Your association depends entirely on membership dues to fund its operating expenses, and so it was gratifying to see our membership numbers increase by double digits for the third consecutive year. Indeed, over the past 3 years our membership is up over 63%! For the past year, membership dues provided income of \$1,685 of which \$35 was received as a “donation”.

On the expenditure side general liability insurance coverage consumed \$606 of membership dues, while FOCA membership absorbed another \$325. Other expenses included website maintenance charges, the registration fee of a member to attend the spring FOCA seminar in Toronto, rental charge by Hastings Highlands for the use of the LSP Community Centre, and bank fees. In summary, expenditures totaled \$1,216 thus providing a net income for the year of \$469. The accumulated surplus funds in the association’s bank account as at April 30, 2019 stood at \$1,713.

Last year we introduced membership signs for posting at the entrance to your property. Displaying this sign announces to all passersby that you support your local association and, hopefully, may encourage your non-member neighbours to join. Please ensure your sign is posted and updated to include a 2019 sticker!

Lastly, I would like to encourage everyone to pay your annual membership dues by using your bank's online Interac e-Transfer facility. Instructions for the use of online payment of dues appear on the annual dues invoice. The use of e-Transfer is free, whereas the bank charges for making over-the-counter deposits of cash and cheques.

Copies of my Treasurer's Report (i.e. financial statement) are available on request.

Thank you

Craig Judson, Treasurer  
LSPPOA

## Hydro One Update (Craig Judson)

Hydro One recently announced new delivery rates that include the phase-in of “fixed” delivery charges for all customers effective May 1, 2018. Due to delayed approval by the OEB, the new rates will be applied to hydro usage starting July 1, 2019. Adjustments for prior months (from May 1, 2018 through June 30, 2019) are to be recovered through additional charges over the July 1, 2019 through December 31, 2020 billing cycles.

As reported by Hydro One, low use customers will notice possibly significant increases in their bills, whereas high use customers will see an overall reduction. In prior years, Seasonal customers paid a premium over their low density R2 neighbours even though their electricity was delivered over the very same transmission lines. To address this inequality, it was suggested the Seasonal class be eliminated by reclassification to a R2 (low density) or R1 (medium density) residential class. However, by applying these new fixed delivery rates to all customer classes, Hydro One believes the prior inequities associated with the Seasonal class have been addressed and the requirement to eliminate the Seasonal class no longer exists.

Stay tuned and watch for your upcoming Hydro One bills!

## 2019/2020 Executive Election

Past president Paul Craft conducted the election for the upcoming 2019/2020 LSPPOA Executive. Based upon voting and nominations conducted in the room, the incoming LSPPOA executive is as follows:

President – Geoff Aldworth – continues for the next two years

Vice-President – Ted Windmoller nominated Tom Scanlan and Tom was confirmed and accepted the position

Treasurer – Craig Judson continues for the next two years

Secretary – Shawn Kelleher continues for the next two years

## Wrap-Up

Geoff Aldworth thanked past-presidents and past secretary Don Richardson, Paul Craft and Hillary Richardson. He also thanked Teddy Windmoller for his efforts as VP over the last two years, Craig Judson for his role as Treasurer for the entire 7-year existence of the LSPPOA and Shawn for his efforts as Secretary. He also recognized the tireless efforts of Ann Judson, Bonny and Tom Scanlan and John Severinac.

He made special mention to our new Social Co-ordinators John and Liz Doherty and encouraged current and non-members to attend the first annual Corn Roast at the Lake St, Peter Community Centre on Saturday August 17<sup>th</sup> from 4 to 7 p.m. Tickets are \$5 for Adults, Kids 12 and under free. There will be games for young and old.

Geoff also thanked Liz Doherty for her efforts in the kitchen.

## Questions/Comments from Attendees

- It was noted that there was a recent, apparent targeted break-in at a cottage on the South Road
- A member asked what efforts we can do to raise awareness and encourage membership in the LSPPOA – Response - each of us are stewards, Geoff encouraged us to speak with our neighbours, send them minutes of our meetings, the membership form has the benefits listed on the back page. In addition, Bonny is going to set-up an Association Facebook page
- Another member made a statement that there is a perception by some non-members that the LSPPOA is against development. Geoff clarified our

association's position – that we are actually in favour of responsible development that fosters lake stewardship

- A shout out was made to member Erica's daughter who has had multiple prize-winning cottage photographs published in local magazines including County Roads
- Website – Geoff put out the appeal again for assistance to take over the Website from John Severinac. In addition, a separate appeal was made for members to provide historical information including pictures and stories which can be posted. There are many of us that have histories dating back to the 1940's. Please send anything you deem appropriate to Shawn

## Adjournment

At about 11:45 a.m. the meeting was adjourned.

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