

BPOA 2019 Annual General Meeting Minutes

Date: Saturday, August 10, 2019

Location: Alberto Aiello Park

Executive/Members-At-Large in Attendance: Jim and Evelyn Kovachik, John Muller, Astrid Harms, Ken Sterzuk, Jerry Lukes, Daryl Ollson, Magel Fournier, Donna and Fred Kurnell, Vic Kuffner.

BPOA Members Present: As per AGM Sign-In Sheet

Meeting called to order at 10:04 a.m.

1. Welcome and introduction of BPOA Members and Guest Speakers.
2. Apologies for absence - Gayle Carson and Deanna Mackay.
3. 2018 AGM minutes reviewed - motion made by Vic Kuffner to accept minutes; seconded by Ken Sterzuk; motion carried.
4. No matters arising from 2018 AGM minutes.
5. President's Annual Report:
 - Passing of long time BPOA President and resident Jim Carson leaves a large hole in the Board and in the community.
 - There was a spree of break-ins prior to the July long weekend - 25+ break-ins reported in the East Beaches area. Any updates from the RCMP will be posted on the website. RCMP general recommendations include: make your property look lived in, have any alarm signs placed in prominent locations, use security lights both inside and outside, clear snow from driveway in the winter - anything you can do to make the property look occupied.
 - The R.M. has completed major drainage work on Galway Bay.
 - Signs: the map at the corner of Lunney and Westland was original to the development and is in poor condition - this sign will be removed and options to replace will be explored; the Open Fire sign will be removed and will not be replaced. For information about open fires, please visit the RM website or access the link via the BPOA website.
 - A new Facebook page has been created by Janice and Daryl Ollson. The purpose of this page is to build community, share information, enhance communication and to serve as a link to the BPOA website.
 - First Movie Night took place on August 4 and was a great success - approximately 56 people were in attendance. Thank you to Sadiq Husain and family for organizing this event. Future movie nights will be planned.

- Observation made by Deanna Mackay, long time BPOA Board Member and community resident - our community has undergone many positive changes, with a resulting improved look and feel - congratulations to all.
 - Robin Allen has continued to paint and repair various signs - his hard work is appreciated by all who see the improvements that have been made.
 - A big thank you to Evelyn Kovachik for suggesting the little library - it has proven to be a big success with children and adults alike!
 - A big thank you to Aurele Parent who continues his efforts to keep the area and the park well maintained.
 - There have been two mowings with the ATV mower this summer. A reminder to keep boulevards clear in order to allow the mowing to occur. Thank you to those who mow their own boulevards.
 - The BPOA Board has changed over the years. The Board was once quite formal, but the scope has changed. Meetings will be scheduled to occur 3 to 4 times in the year and will last for one hour maximum.
6. Treasurer's Report - Copies of 2018-2019 Financial Report were made available for review (copy attached to minutes). Motion made by Magel Fournier to accept Financial Report; seconded by Doug Boyce; motion carried.
7. Election of officers:
- President - Jim Kovachik agreed to remain as President;
 - Vice President - Evelyn Kovachik is in conflict of interest; John Muller elected as Vice President;
 - Treasurer - Sina Aiello elected;
 - Members-At-Large: Jerry Lukes, Daryl Ollson and Magel Fournier will continue. New members elected: Ken Sexsmith, Lauren Semeniuk, and Eldon Sebelius.
8. General Business;
- Removal of dead trees - Ken Sexsmith will take the lead in removing any dead falls along paths and roadsides - caution to be exercised around power lines (to contact Manitoba Hydro).
9. Guest Speakers:
- Cheryhl Corrie - R.M. of Alexander Ward 1 Councillor. Jim Carson's passing is a major loss. Zebra mussels and blue green algae are two major issues that the R.M. is aware of and working on addressing. There is a form letter available to send to delegates re: health of the lake - it will be posted on BPOA website. Question - is there an update on boat launch at Traverse Bay? The parking lot and road to the site have been completed and the ramp started. Sagkeeng First Nation have filed an objection with the Department of Fisheries and Oceans, citing concern that increased traffic will tear up fishing nets. Issue has not been resolved - unable to proceed. In terms of dredging the channel at Victoria Beach, funds are being raised. Question about the lack of parking at Hillside Beach boat launch. R.M. owns some land there and they are looking at possible development of a parking lot.

- Donovan Toews - Landmark Planning and Design Inc. No application has been made yet - due diligence is being undertaken. Clan Mothers - group of indigenous women from across North America who are looking to develop a wellness retreat. To develop very little - preservation of the land is critical. Very early in the process and consulting with community. Rezoning of land is required. Concerns about traffic and crime to be addressed as part of due diligence. The land is owned by the Catholic Church. Will be back in late September for another community meeting - possible walk about on the site. Will have high level site options in the fall. Donovan available following AGM for any further questions.
- Jack Brisco - R.M. of Alexander Reeve. Just arrived from Lake Winnipeg Foundation meeting about health of the lake. Question posed about the economic impact if Clan Mother's proposal proceeds vs. cottage development - the only interest expressed in the land has come from Clan Mothers.

10. Date of next meeting: Saturday, August 8, 2020

11. Meeting adjourned at 11:20 a.m.

AGM Door Prize Winner: Bianka Philip