

AGM 2009 minutes

1. Opening remarks by President Ken Grant

Ken welcomed everyone to the AGM and introduced the executive to everyone. Ken introduced our guest speaker, Vicky Smolka, representing the Land Conservancy for Kingston, Frontenac, Lennox and Addington. It is a community-based program that “keeps nature close always” whose purpose is to protect property by purchasing it and conserving it through land trust. They accept gifts of property and monitor it at least once a year. This property will remain as a natural property. People who donate their properties to the Land Conservancy also get a tax receipt. They will also take a conservation easement of a property. Some properties also are recognized as an “eco gift property” through Environment Canada. This has an effect on Capital Gains. The third way is through Stewardship.

Ken thanked the Phyfers for allowing us to have our AGM and picnic. Ken also thanked Nature clean products for donating a gifts for the draw, area reps of 10, 11, 12, & 13 for organizing picnic and Dave Cox for making a new BBQ for the Association.

Ken also mentioned that newsletters can be received by email if so desired. The minutes from the 2008 AGM were moved by Vince Vella, seconded by Larry Rowe and were carried. Ken acknowledged the passing of Anne Krieger and Donna Sitton and asked for a moment of silence.

Ken addressed the issue of speed on cottage roads. Everyone was asked to take extra care to ensure that there are no serious injuries. If there is an incident, please report them to the OPP.

Dave Pattenden thanked everyone on the Lake for their support. The project is completed. The islanders replaced a portion of Helen Lane and also replaced the Public Docks, as well.

Reports from the Directors

1. Vice President Nancy Kingston: Nancy spoke about the 2009 calendars and mentioned that there was \$ for the welfare fund. The Wagner family have agreed to do the calendar again for 2010. Photos that were submitted for the 2009 were available at the AGM. Nancy asked for photos for the 2010 calendar. Distribution of calendars will be done the same way. If you arrive early to the cottage, call Nancy directly.

Nancy thanked the reps for all of their hard work.

Nancy thanked the Picnic committee for all of their hard work in ensuring that everything went smoothly. Picnic 2010 will be organized by Areas 1, 2 & 3.

Nancy asked that everyone check to ensure that their address information is correct.

There were no honorary members in attendance. Frank Damude and Richard Symes sent their regrets.

Nancy reported that there were no Municipal road improvements slated for Greer Road for 2009. It was suggested that a petition be sent to the township with

regards to the condition of Greer Road. It was also suggested that a letter writing campaign might help to get the tax bills out sooner. Ken asked for acknowledgement of Nancy's work on the ads for the calendar.

2. Stewardship report: Ken pointed out that because of the cooler, wet summer, we have higher water, more algae and the clarity of the water is not as great. Aquatic weed cutting has been completed for 7 cottagers, for a nominal fee of \$20.00. Ken also spoke about the gypsy moth kits available (5 for \$50 or \$12.00 each). A survey of the invasive species on the lake was completed but the report has not yet been received. Ken also spoke about the temperature of the lake (7degrees C at the bottom and 20 degrees C at the surface).

The flora and fauna collection that was prepared by Anne Krieger was on display.

3. Treasurer's Report: Larry Glass, Treasurer, gave a full financial report, referring to the handout at the meeting. Eric Williams is the auditor for BGLEECA and gave a report of the audit that was carried out and all was fine. It was moved by Steve Palmer and seconded by Jim Commerford that the audit report be accepted. This motion was carried.

4. North Shore Road report: Dave Cox reported on the North Shore meeting. Dave gave a report with regards to the repairs of Greer Road. Marshview Road was extended to accommodate a new member, which was paid by that member. The road fee for 2010 will be \$200.

5. Director-at -Large: Ken reported on behalf of Nancy Gibson.

Reports from Association Events:

1. Golf Tournament: Jim Kuhr reported that the 11th Annual Golf tournament went very well. 29 people attended. The tournament can be changed to August and be held later in the week. A decision will be made after the meeting.

2. Fish Derby: Gord Erickson reported that the fish derby went well. There were 30 registrants for the derby with 27 checking in with fish. Paul Erickson won the largest fish award. Gord mentioned that the registration was done by phone, email and the community boxes. Gord mentioned that there were 9 participants in the 4 – 9 year old. The issue of boat wake was also discussed.

3. Sailboat Regatta: The regatta had to be cancelled due to inclement weather.

4. Triathlon: Jim Commerford reported that the Triathlon went really well. There were approximately 20 entrants with Nancy Gibson and her Dad being the winners. A trophy was given to the winning team, with all participants receiving a prize.

Election of Officers:

The positions of president, Vice-president and Secretary were vacant. Larry Glass chaired the election process. Attendees were asked for nominations from the floor for the vacant positions. Ken Grant (President), Nancy Kingston (Vice-President) and Donna Commerford (Secretary) were elected.

Door Prizes: Draws were made for the prizes donated by area businesses and some members. A special gift was given Ken Grant in appreciation for all of his hard work as President.

The meeting was adjourned @ 11:30. The picnic followed the meeting.