

LBLA Executive Meeting
Tuesday, July 27, 2010
Residence of Barb Kirkham

Executive attendance

President	Dave Champagne
Vice President	Dave Johnson
Treasurer	Betty Penstone
Secretary	Barb Kirkham
Past President	Lily Faust
Director at Large	Earl Patric
Director at Large	Lynne Jeffries

Minutes

Minutes of previous meeting reviewed and accepted.

Finance

Report presented by Betty and is appended. Reviewed and accepted.

Discussion of concerns about Park

Lynne had attended a meeting with Claire and Bert Angermann and Bev and Don Wallis last Friday to discuss their concerns about the Township Park. She then met on Monday with William Morris to talk about these concerns. Dave had tried to read the Township zoning regulations concerning the Park but there appeared to show some discrepancies in that they were supposed to have only 94 or 125 campsites there and currently there are 235 campsites, of which 93 are permanent.

One of the main concerns of the LBLA membership is further development of the Park. William advised there is a strip of land behind the ball field that could be used for tenting only but beyond this, the land is all wetlands. The leach field from the septic system could be used for tents and pop-ups but only in the case of overflow. Two temporary docks had been built by campers and William agreed to have these removed. The 250 trees that we planted along the creek last fall are still in place according to William and he has agreed to not mow the two feet next to the creek.

A study was done by an environmental company for a new septic system. It was calculated that a capacity of 97 thousand litres per day was required if all sites were full. A tertiary filter box would be installed to filter before the leach bed and Dave advised that this system could double the capacity. The plan is to be implemented over a ten year period due to the costs involved.

The management of the Park had sent a letter to all property owners on LB5 and LB6 about this new system. They were asked to express their concerns by Aug. 6th. Lily is to obtain a copy of this letter and Dave will send it out to our membership by email to allow them to respond to us as well as to William.

After much discussion, it was decided that our two main areas of concern would be the set back of the trailers from the creek and any damage that might be done to the environment by the boats on the creek. It was suggested that we contact Tom Bobiac who was trying to do something about waterfront damage for his help. Also suggested that we try to get current zoning regulations from the Township of Rideau Lakes re campgrounds. It was noted that the Township of Leeds and Thousand Islands is currently considering changing their setback allowance to 50 metres and that perhaps the folks who are fighting this issue might have ideas to help us in any future actions.

Lake Management Plan

The plan was posted on our website and no comments have been made so at this time, the plan is considered final. It is always open to change at any later date.

Charitable status

The Constitution has been amended to make the necessary changes required to be considered for charitable status. Dave is to send in the completed forms.

Sampling and Water Quality

Earl asked that we expand the areas and the seasons when we do our water sampling. The highest concentration of pollutants is in the least developed areas of our Lake. It is thought that two landfills (one closed, the other very active) are still weeping into Morton Creek. There is even one farmer who is still polluting the Lake. We would also need to check if there is a limit to the number of samples that we can have tested. If this is correct, we would need to prioritize which areas to check.

Earl stated that we need a portable machine that could take numerous readings and analyze them on the spot. He thought we should be able to purchase this equipment for approximately \$1500.00. It was agreed that we should try to obtain enough monies to do this.

Other business

- Canoeshuk – This event was a great success showing a profit of \$100.00. A fun time was had by all participants and our Association received great write-ups in both the Westport and Gananoque newspapers.
- Delta Fair parade – The float was completed by Lynne Jeffries with much help from Claire Angermann, Hal and Jane Benham and the various children who rode on the float. Again we won a prize.
- Fish Fry – This event is to take place Sat. Aug 14th at 4:00 p.m. Lily graciously agreed to take ownership of this and asked for help to promote the event. We will all put up flyers locally and Dave will send out an email to advise our members. Barb will put the notices in the various local newspapers. Louise, Sharon Olivo and Lily have made a poster for Delta.
- Lake study – Dave expressed concern that the data from the previous years lake studies was not shown anywhere. Agreed it will be added to our website.

Next meeting to be announced later.