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2006 Annual General Meeting

July 13, 7:00 P.M. Delta Fair Hall, Delta, Ontario

1. **CALL TO ORDER AND WELCOME:** President Louise Mantha called the meeting to order. There were approximately 50 people in attendance including guests Velma Kelsey representing the township of Leeds and 1000 Islands, Mayor Ron Holman from the Township of Rideau Lakes, William Morris and Anna Greenhorn representing the Delta Township Park, Al Chapman for fire protection, and Gary Nielsen from the Leeds Stewardship Council.

2. **IN MEMORIAM:** President Mantha requested a moment of silence in memory of those who have passed: Russell Deelee, Arch Ostrom, and Mildred Wing.

3. **MINUTES OF AGM** of July 13, 2005 were presented by Sandy Ellis.

MOTION: That the minutes be approved as presented (Mary VanVoorhis/Bob Watson) **CARRIED**

4. **TREASURER'S REPORT:** Presented by Betty Penstone. The entire report is appended.

MOTION: That the Treasurer's Report be accepted. (Earl Patric/Al Brown) **CARRIED**

5. **PAST AND CURRENT ACTIVITIES REPORT:** President Mantha gave a Power Point Presentation to explain LBLA activities of this last year and how the executive responded to the concerns of the membership brought up in the small group discussions at the 2005 AGM.

Some Highlights:

- A **new logo for the LBLA** was introduced to applause.
- 2005 **Cleanup Day** was a success. 2006 date will again be after the Delta Fair on August 3 from 10:00 A.M. to 1:00 P.M.
- 2005 **LBLA Picnic** was well attended and will be held again at Kendrick Park on August 12 from 3:00 P.M. to 7:00 P.M.

Reponse from the Executive to concerns from 2005 small group discussions:

- Guest speaker Gary Nielsen will present **Water Management Plan**
- **History of the Lake Committee** has been active conducting surveys and interviews. Currently looking for a grant to publish all their information. Also will publish a brochure with spots of interest around the lake. This will be ready for the 75th celebration in 2007.
- The **LBLA has been represented** on groups such as Paddle Trail and WRAFT.

Ongoing Activities:

Don Santos continues to monitor the water quality of the lake.

Lake water levels: Earl Patric reports to MNR and the Cataraqui Region Conservation Authority. The level should be at 91.85 meters above mean sea level from April to October. Earl reported that on July 12, 2006, the water was at that level.

Loon Nesting Platforms have been very successful with three out of the four platforms inhabited and 3 sets of twins born on those platforms.

LBLA will have a float in the Delta Parade on July 29 thanks to Lily Faust. These are Teddy Bears.

Cleanup Day for 2006 will be on Thursday, August 3. We are now a part of the "Great Canadian Shoreline Cleanup."

Annual Picnic for 2006 will be on Saturday, August 12.

New Executive will be elected at the 2007 AGM. President Mantha asked members to consider serving on the Executive.

Work on the 75th Anniversary of the LBLA by different committees continues.

6. Reports:

A. **Mayor Ron Holman** from the Township of Rideau Lakes

- 1) There is currently a surplus in the budget
- 2) Planning a new fire hall in Delta near the old school
- 3) Looking at waste management
- 4) Looking to get social services off the tax base

B. **William Morris** from Delta Township Parks

- 1) There is a management board for the park with 4 members from council, 2 from the Delta community and 1 seasonal camper. The board meets monthly and is responsible for the day to day operations of the park. Council is the landlord.
- 2) Working on expanding programs
- 3) Upgrading campsites. The park was established in 1959.
- 4) Planted shrubs along creekbed with help from the Stewardship Council.
- 5) Possible option to have trailers here year round

Questions from LBLA members:

- a. Trailer setback regulations? Cottagers have to be setback 100'
- b. Who sets policy? Can someone from the LBLA serve on the Park Board?
- c. New construction and other changes comply with regulations?

C. **Velma Kelsey** from Leeds and 1000 Islands Township

- 1) Working on Kendrick Park: trimming trees, stonework on shoreline will then upgrade the canteen and bathrooms.

D. Fire Officials:

- 1) Departments are restructuring and updating trucks
- 2) Good marine units
- 3) Ongoing training to provide better service
- 4) Donations from the LBLA are greatly appreciated

- 5) Smoke alarms are required in every level of your home.
- 6) Keep cottage roads clear (11' 4" clearance) so trucks can get through.

7. Presentation on Lake Management Plan by Gary Nielsen from Leeds Stewardship Council

- A. What is a Lake Management Plan?
 - 1) An action plan which reflects and preserves the special character of your lake.
 - 2) Identify and protect lake values
 - 3) Promote action
 - 4) Educate and communicate
 - 5) Recommend land use policy
 - 6) Initiate stewardship action
- B. Involve everyone. Process is important. Have many discussions. Get ideas on paper.
- C. Environment, economy, and social all interrelated. Work on sustainability.
- D. Need right combination of rules and stewardship.
- E. Get started:
 - 1) Set up a Steering Committee (5 or 6) Stewardship Council will help
 - 2) Hold workshops
 - 3) Conduct surveys
 - 4) Keep inviting folks to participate
 - 5) Recommend being a combination of self-directed and consultants.
 - 6) Need to raise some money if using consultants and apply for grants
- F. 5 lessons learned:
 - 1) Take time to organize
 - 2) Process is as important as the product. Keep discussion going
 - 3) Cooperate
 - 4) Partnering is important
 - 5) Use community resources
- G. Think of the entire watershed plan

MOTION: That the LBLA move forward with some form of lake planning.
(Greg Ross/Don Santos) **CARRIED**

8. 75TH Anniversary of LBLA in 2007

- Publish a history of the lake
- Brochurs of self-guided tour of the lake
- Boat convoy to launch the self-guided tour - decorate boats
- Install shoal markers around the lake
- Historical picnic
- Legacy project

MOTION: That the meeting be adjourned (Don Santos/Al Brown) **CARRIED**

Small groups met after the meeting to discuss celebrations for the 75th anniversary in more detail.