

MINUTES OF LBLA**EXECUTIVE MEETING – June 7, 2019**

Attendees: Tom Heinz, Lynne Jeffries, Marsha Gutierrez, Dave Johnson, Joe Kelly, Leslie Climie

ITEM	DISCUSSION	ACTION
1. Minutes if the Sept 7, 2018	It was moved by Joe and seconded by Dave that the minutes be accepted. Passed	
2. Financial & Member Registration Report	<p>A. Investments</p> <p>a) The GIC came due & there is now \$22,662.13 in the account. This includes the \$11,487.41 that came from the GIC. Decisions need to be made about where to spend some of it - must be on things that fit with our Mission Statement. Marsha suggests another GIC be purchased with some of the funds.</p> <p>b) Each budget item for the coming year was reviewed, and some increases were discussed and agreed upon. For further details please see Equipment Acquisitions (see Section #3 A)</p> <p>c) Membership – Marsha noted that the membership numbers are down. Lynne reported that a couple of our sponsors have not yet made donations which is common this early in the season.</p> <p>B. Signing Authorities</p> <p>It was clarified that Joe and Dave, who both live in the area all year, both have signing authority for financial matters but both need keys to the Post Office box.</p>	<p>At the AGM these increases to the upcoming budget will be recommended and approval sought through a vote.</p> <p>Lynne will remind these businesses</p>
3. Water Levels and Water Quality	<p>A. Possible equipment acquisition -</p> <p>a) It was noted that the province is no longer assisting with the costs of water testing for invasive species in the lakes.</p>	<p>Lynne will look into the cost of a Water Testing for Invasive Species Kit.</p>

	<p>b) Dave Champagne has indicated an interest in purchasing water testing equipment for determining the amount of oxygen at various levels. This equipment has been borrowed/rented until now. Because there is an interest in increasing the frequency of testing it was agreed to be a necessary expenditure.</p> <p>c) Water Temperature – Tom noted that the lake is much colder than normal and the fish have been late to spawn. At BLAM on June 12th he'll encourage anglers to fish deep.</p> <p>d) Water Safety – Lynne reviewed the need for an expenditure of approximately \$500 in 2019 to upgrade or replace shoal markers and winter markers - including lights, anchors, chains and painting.</p> <p>e) Kendrick's Park – LBLA makes an annual donation of \$250 towards the Biosphere.</p> <p>f) During the summer months the Rideau Lakes Public Library has been providing backpacks with 'things to do' related to the environment. Previously we donated \$8-10 per bag for maintenance. Now an need has been identified to upgrade 'the stock' and it was moved by Marsha and seconded by Dave that \$400 would be recommended for 2019, and then \$100 per year thereafter for upkeep. Carried</p> <p>g) Marsha reported on research she had undertaken to cost out Septic System Test Packets. Marsha moved that if the Municipality finds the packets to be acceptable then the LBLA would purchase enough to hand out to 100 families at a cost of \$275 plus tax. This would come under the 2020 budget. The motion was seconded by Lynne. Carried.</p> <p>B. Island Septic Assistance - the idea of helping with the costs of launching and 'pull out' of a barge with pump-out equipment was discussed. It was decided that the topic could be on the agenda of the AGM to determine if there is a 'demand'.</p>	<p>Dave will come to a Board mtg. <i>An Aside: Other lake associations have expressed an interest in having training by Dave C. Tom will review this with him.</i></p> <p>Budget item</p> <p>Budget item</p> <p>Budget item</p> <p>Lynne will inquire into the costs. It will be an agenda item for the AGM.</p>
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<p>4. Schedule of Events for 2019</p>	<p>C. Wake boats – to date none has been seen on our lake. These threaten the shoreline by creating wakes up to 8 feet. Tom reported that he had contacted Brian Johnson - OPP officer in charge of the Marine Unit – to date there is no legislation to prevent these boats from eroding the shoreline. Perhaps it would be useful to contact the Cataraqui Regional Conservation Authority.</p> <p>D. Late summer watch for algae issues. At the AGM people will be asked to note when it is seen, and report the details</p> <p>A. AGM – July 10th The guest speaker is Mayor Hoogenboom.</p> <p>B. Youth Event – July 13th from 10 – 11 am Speaker is Jen Carter, educational director of the Aquatarium” in Brockville. Her topic will be about water quality and will deal with things that can be found in a drop of water.</p> <p>C. Lake Clean up 8/8/19 (rain day 8/9/19)</p> <p>D. Annual Picnic 8/10/19</p> <p>E. BLAM! Wed. 6/12/19 at Bradford Pavilion, Delta Park 7pm Wed. 7/31/19 at 922 Kendrick Lane 7pm</p> <p>F. “Bach on the Beverley” - Sat 8/24/19 at 4pm at St. Paul's Centre. In Delta.</p> <p>A. a) Grant: Township of Rideau Lakes has granted the LBLA \$1,685.00 for 2019.. These funds are to be used to preserve and protect the environment; this is fully in keeping with our Mission Statement.</p> <p>b) Lakes Committee: Under the auspices of the Township, this cmte has been established. It is important for LBLA to be represented at the meetings. Our contact is the chairperson, Mike Dwyer. Tom suggested that the President and Past-President be representatives</p>	<p>Another AGM agenda item.</p> <p>Tom will purchase flowers to thank Barbara Kirkham who was secretary for many years.</p> <p>Sandy Ellis will coordinate</p> <p>The board coordinates</p> <p>Leslie will place an advertisement in The Pilot</p> <p>Please see above sections # 2, A. and #3 A for possible uses for this grant.</p> <p>Tom and Joe will be representatives this term.</p>
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<p>5. New Business Items</p>	<p>C. 2021 budget for AGM approval</p> <p>A. Officer Candidates for 2019 and beyond - Tom reported that he is still hoping that one of his neighbours will agree to put his name forward.</p> <p>B. Bursary for 2019-20 Re: Plans for \$100 bursaries (to a maximum of \$500) for students graduating from Elgin Secondary School, who are continuing their education, and who have a demonstrated interest in the environment. Tom reported that he has met with the Senior Class Advisor and the Guidance Counselor. They are pleased to proceed with the planning phase. A steering cmte is to be formed and tasked with defining the parameters.</p>	<p>See items in Section # 3A</p> <p>All Board Members must be looking for an incoming Vice President Candidate</p>
<p>6. Old Business from Sep 7, 2018</p>	<p>C. Potential speakers for the local Libraries Series. The Library staff are open to ideas. Tom has spoken to David Coleman, who is in charge of controlling water flow of the dam. Dave Champagne has also agreed to speak – perhaps these two would offer an interesting program. Tom’s other idea is to ask Dave Johnson, of the OPP Marine Unit. Marsha suggests we think of a theme and then find speakers. Planning in advance is paramount. It was agreed that we should 'start off small' with a series consisting of three.</p> <p>D. Kelly McGann from Sweets Corners Public School asked that cottagers on the roads near McKendrik's Park be advised to watch for children on the school's Fun Day – 6/18/19</p> <p>E. “Family Fun Day” - Leslie distributed a list of events that are undertaken by an association similar to LBLA near Thunder Bay.. This topic needs to be discussion at a later date.</p>	<p>At the AGM an invitation will be extended to LBLA members to sit on steering cmte.</p> <p>Tom will advise his neighbours</p>

	<p>Next meeting – July 6, 2019 at 10AM @ Lynne's, 1267 LB 12.</p> <p>Meeting adjourned at 7:15pm</p>	<p>Prior to the AGM :</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Lynne will put out signs. - Marsha has name tags. - Leslie will advertise