

**STEENBURG LAKE COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION  
ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING  
Sunday August 5, 2012**

**Guest Speaker: Constable Cameron Stewart**

- specialty is break & enter / property crimes
- presentation discussed various types of crimes and causes
- showed various ways to reduce the risk of property crimes
- offers a programme to come out to your premises to review methods of increasing the security of your property

**Call to Order:** 10:05 am, 42 cottages represented. Quorum established

Motion to accept minutes from 2011 annual meeting – 1<sup>st</sup> Pat Stallaert, 2<sup>nd</sup> Jim Tanner  
-no business arising from the minutes

**REPORTS**

**President: Anthony Genovese**

- no news on the sale of the Headland
- re-enforced the association's commitment to communication
- JM Longyear bought a big portion of land from Domtar and they asked for a variance on the noise bylaw to allow for earlier starts
- they carry water with the equipment to be able to fight fires
- there is a total fire ban, little amount of rain now is not going to change that
- if additional signage regarding the status of fire bans is needed along the roads, a review of the requirements should take place
- it is noted that warnings are the first step taken by authorities when they find people disregarding the fire ban, however that will escalate to fines shortly
- if one causes a fire, you are completely responsible for all damages and ensuing costs.
- changes to Limerick bylaws were a big issue this fall, however many similar bylaws were already passed by Tudor/Cashel a couple of years ago.
- Steenburg Rd. South discussion is to take place at the end of the meeting.

**Vice President Report: Rick Burke**

- should the association consider having fire pumps at locations around the lake, they would be purchased and advertise where they are located
- there is a need to investigate programmes and costs, compare to situations on other lakes
- need to investigate the liability/insurance issues for fire pumps
- local fire department will not use these pumps, for cottager use only

**Treasurer: David McDonald**

- financial situation is good, major expenses have been paid.
- current net income is \$2200.37
- we are in a loss position at this point due to the timing of revenues.
- when all membership dues are in, we will be in a positive profit position
- \$24000 are in various GICs and there is a cash balance of \$1600
- \$900 in profit from merchandise sales
- prudent spending has contributed to our healthy bottom line

**Membership: Marlene Pollard**

- 140 cottages are paid up with
- thanks to all the canvassers for their hard work at collecting the fees

**Social: Wendy Butler**

- Wendy submitted the report; we are still looking for volunteers for the director's position
- it has been a good year for events
- regatta went very smoothly, about 100 people turned out
- good turn-out for the younger kids
- everyone should encourage all of their neighbours to join events
- if anyone has ideas for events, please submit them; the directors will review and determine if a budget is needed

**Municipal Affairs: Dave Golem**

- 125<sup>th</sup> anniversary of township, a lot of information was pulled together to celebrate the history
- just before bylaws were to be passed, a law firm approached the township, representing the fast food industry; they want to make it easier to be able to set up businesses with the township
- they are doing this on a province wide initiative
- increased enforcement of building inspections, a reminder to get permits first instead of paying fines
- a summary of issues affecting cottages included in the new bylaws include boathouses, lighting, buffer zone (not in bylaws but only encouragement to maintain), rebuilding in setbacks, can be rebuilt in the same footprint, however if one wants to expand, buildings must be moved back

**Lake Stewardship: Dave Langman**

- splake was added to the lake this spring, it is hoped that everyone takes advantage of the fishing
- the environmental footprint as compared to the rest of the world, is not good for Canadians, there are many things we could be doing to improve this
- lake quality is still good, phosphorous measurements are still acceptable
- every cottager needs to consider the natural zone along the edge of the lake, this helps to prevent nutrients flowing into the lake and causing excessive weed growth.
- zebra mussel testing will take place in early September; it is hoped that samples will be taken from 3 different locations
- milfoil study by a student at Trent University includes Steenburg lake, it is expected that final data will be shared with the association

**Newsletter: Erica Langman**

- the newsletter has been receiving a great response, but new information is always welcome
- cottagers should make sure that the association representatives have current information to ensure emails and newsletters are coming to you
- one has a choice on how to receive the newsletter, by mail or email, make sure your representative knows this.

**Marketing: Dean Butler**

- some new shirts are available, they have been doing well
- overall, sales have been very good

**Other Business****Photography**

- encourage all cottagers to keep sending in lake pictures
- Jimmy Nivens has been photographing around the lake, if you want high quality pictures of your property, contact him directly.

**Election of Officers:**

- nomination for Wendy Butler as coordinator of the Fun Run  
Motion to accept: 1<sup>st</sup> Irene Horne, 2<sup>nd</sup> George Hill
- Dave and Margaret Anderson have implied that they are interested in helping a Social Director

- Marlene Pollard has agreed to continue as Membership Director for another 3 year term
  - it was proposed that we have two Vice Presidents in order to have choices for President when their term is up
  - there may need to be a change to the association's charter to allow this
  - nomination for Pat Stallaert as Vice-President
- Motion to accept: 1<sup>st</sup> George Hill, 2<sup>nd</sup> Dave Golem

### **Social Media**

- currently Facebook is handled by Jimmy Nevins who has now agreed to assist with Twitter updates
- this is Jimmy's last year as official photographer

### **50yr Members**

- Jackie Rudd
- RJ Marshal
- Mary Defoa/Ponicky
- Douglas family
- George family

### **Prizes Drawn**

- 22 prizes were drawn, thanks to all contributors

**Meeting Adjourned 12:30pm**