

STEENBURG LAKE COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION
ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING
Sunday July 31, 2011

Call to Order: 10:05 am, 33 cottages represented. Quorum established
Introduction: advising of the change of positions, resignation of Steve Churchill and Glenda Opsahl
Motion to accept minutes from 2010 annual meeting – 1st Ian Fraser, 2nd Ken Waddell
-no business arising from the minutes

REPORTS

President: Anthony Genovese

- reinforced value of the members meetings as a way to keep the association strong
- issues continuing to be in the forefront of our association is the headland on the market

Treasurer: David McDonald

- fundraising efforts will continue as it is supplementing our reserve fund
- slight increases in newsletter costs
- our general financial position is good with strong reserves

Membership: Marlene Pollard

- 146 cottages are paid up with more to come in from canvassers
- thanks to all the canvassers for their hard work at collecting the fees
- 13 cottages used pay pal to pay up their memberships
- 4 members received their 50 year membership certificate; Joe & Dorothy Cooper, John & Elaine McCarthy, Rich & Marilyn McCarthy, Karen Gaddas, Rick Burke

Social: Carolyn Dobson

- Carolyn was absent so Wendy Butler read her report
- best regatta to date for the association, approximately 130 participants
- thanks to Rick Burke, Anthony Genovese, Dave Golem and Tom Little for barbeque duties and boat and race monitoring
- big increase in kayaks this year
- need more young kids to participate in the events
- Fun run has been getting good participation, looking forward to another good event this year

Municipal Affairs: Dave Golem

- taxes are increasing in both townships due to increased costs of policing and roads
- new accounting system, (cost accrual) now need reserves and goals to be self sufficient, however 50% still goes to the province
- MPAC has been increasing values quickly particularly on the lake, however properties not on waterfront may be decreasing

Lake Stewardship: Dave Langman

- water quality results are very good
- cottagers must continue to minimize phosphorus, do not use fertilizers and use phosphorus free soaps
- water levels are low but are actually closer to normal
- beaver dams seem to have broken which affects our lake level
- thanks to people for not fishing for bass early in the spring, allowing them to spawn
- fishing is still good after all the years of development on the lake
- shoreline lighting should be kept to a minimum so everyone can enjoy star filled nights
- zebra mussels – tests are showing positive for larvae with 3 samples that were combined so the location is not precise
- no adult zebra mussels have been seen yet

Newsletter: Dave Langman

- the newsletter was printed using heavy paper and the cost of mailing it was significantly more
- members should advise their canvassers if they want the newsletter sent by email or send a note to membership@steenburglakeassociation.com
- there is no cost to printing the newsletter as our sponsors have the expenses covered

Marketing: Dean Butler

- new products are being introduced to continue to keep product line-up fresh
- approximately \$1000 in sales already this summer
- the new hoody sweatshirt is made in the location as the Roots shirt

Other Business

Photography – all association events are being photographed by Jimmy Nivens

Internet – service has not improved for everyone yet, the tower at Gilmour is not as powerful as expected

- Bell services are on line, a little slower than normal, but working
- McKaskies is an authorized Bell provider and they are willing to give association members a discount
- Jordon Lake tower is the Bell tower and is giving good service
- towers are only transmitting latest data to your phone, so if one has an old phone, service might not work

Headland – Moore family has requested road access from McCarthy's and the township

- no permit has been given for construction as there were no plans for a building yet
- at this time there appears to be no developers interested in purchasing the land
- no-one at this time as approached township to get approvals for development

Zebra Mussels – good news is that no adults are visible

- 2 villager larvae are present so there is potential for growth and our lake has the conditions that would make it prime breeding ground for zebra mussels
- connection with an expert suggested that our lake will provide a lot of food the mussels to live
- once they take hold, swimmers will need shoes to walk in the lake and everyone will require specialized water intakes and filters to prevent clogging lines
- no actions can be taken against launching of boats at the beach, where infestations can begin
- other lakes in the area, (Limerick, Dickey) are still clear
- members can check the website for ongoing test results

Open Forum - comments received thanking the executives for good newsletter, membership packages and events

- thanks to the road clean-up volunteers
- if members know of a loon nest, association has signs that can be posted to warn boaters to be wary
- Have A Dock is on August 13, 7pm and the Walk/Fun run is on Aug 13, 11am
- 20 door prizes were handed out at the meeting

Photo Contest Results:

Action (tie)	Len Webster, Marlene Pollard
Landscape	Laurie Newberry
Life at Cottage	Irene Horne
Photo by Child	Emma Black

Election of Officers:

- nominated Rick Burke as Interim Vice-President
- Motion to accept: 1st Anthony Genevese, 2nd Chris Langman
- nomination to accept Dave McDonald as Treasurer
- Motion to accept: 1st Joe Cameron, 2nd Tina Lloyd

Meeting Adjourned 11:35