

DRAFT MINUTES

The Owners' and Residents' Association of Lac Bernard

Fall 2003 Meeting

Royal Ottawa Golf Club, Aylmer, Quebec

Wednesday, October 29, 2003

The meeting was called to order at 7.15 p.m. by Gaye Moffett, President. Heidi Reid, the Secretary, recorded the Minutes. About 50 members attended.

1. Memorial Announcements

Gaye Moffett informed the meeting of the deaths of Dave Rinn, on September 27, 2003, Laurent Lupien, in June and Arthur Ingles.

2. Minutes

A motion to accept the Minutes of the Spring 2003 meeting held Tuesday, May 6th was made by George Weber and seconded by Maurice Taylor. Passed.

3. Treasurer's Report

Don Lillico reported that spending exceeded revenue this year, in the amount of \$679.00. Directors' insurance is high at \$1100.00 and postage is expensive. Also, there are fewer memberships than usual, at 242 paid members. The Municipal Grant has not yet been received but has been approved. There was discussion on change of address for the Association but this has been deferred for a while. A motion to accept the Treasurer's Report was made by Don Lillico and seconded by Rob Muir. Passed.

4. Guest Speakers

Gaye Moffett reported that no guest speakers were able to attend.

5. Executive and Committee Reports

- **Environment** – There was no report on the environment. Jock Hurst talked about the possibility of having a presentation on beavers every few years. Discussion.
- **Map** – Rob Muir reported that he met with Fortin and was told a map could be produced in three weeks once all the information is available. He hopes to have the new map by the Spring 2004 meeting. It will cost \$1500.00 to update the map in a similar format to the existing one, and an additional \$3000 for printing. There was

discussion on addresses and cottage locations and whether rock and buoy locations should be included. It is estimated the cost for 400 maps would be \$4500.00. Further discussion on who will pay for the map. As the map belongs to Fortin, future changes would cost extra.

Jake Blair moved that the Association fund the cost of providing one map per paid membership during 2004. Seconded by George Weber. Discussion.

Suggestions that there would be a charge to non-members. This could be an incentive to bring in new members. Motion passed.

- **Government Liaison** – Don Jones reported that the MRC Police and Reg Daly were not available to speak. Constable Martin Fournel at 459-2422, would like to encourage cottage owners to participate in Neighbourhood Watch. He reported that signs alone are often enough of a deterrent..
- **Roads** – Don Jones reported that Reg Daly has a \$30,000 budget for roads for 2004. There has been reconstituted asphalt on some sections, with varying degrees of success. This has worked well at Bishop's Manor but not on roads used regularly by heavy trucks. There are plans to fix Lac Bernard Road. The A5 has been approved from Tulip Valley to Farm Point and should be started in 2005.
- **Arena** – A ceremony was held on September 28th to mark start of the work on the arena. There is a rumour that Giant Tiger and Tim Horton's may be built on the site of previous SAQ in Wakefield. Discussion.
- **Clubhouse** – Gaye Moffett reported for Kim Grandinetti that the bingos were successful and that she will continue to co-ordinate them next summer.
- **Regatta** – Gaye Moffett reported for Jeff Stubbins that the regatta was a success again this year.
- **Logo Items** – Joe Furano reported that 2003 was a record year for sales. \$1500.00 was sold at the regatta. He plans to bring in new items for next year.

6. Fishing Club

Jake Blair reported that in 2003 \$543.25 was left from last year. With donations of \$1235.00 in 2003, this brings the total to \$1778.25. \$1700.00 is needed for stocking the lake, which will be done in November in Regatta Bay. There is no active club at the moment, the only activity being stocking the lake with trout. There have been no reports of trout having been caught.

7. Boating Course

Gaye Moffet reported for Pierre Tremblay that one course was successful and one was cancelled. Discussion on whether to continue. One member pointed out that he had accessed a course on the Internet and wrote the exam at Lac Ste. Marie at a cost of \$25.00 which was paid to the examiner.

8 Road Naming

Don Jones reported he has a list of road names for La Pêche and Low. Rob Muir requested that the list be made available to the membership in order to make additions or corrections before the map is finalized. Don Jones has provided the Police and Fire Departments with a correct map of Lac Bernard as the municipal map contains errors and omissions. Lawrence McClelland will put road-naming on the agenda of the next Urbanism meeting he attends. There are still a few roads yet to be named.

9 Clubhouse Right-of-Way

Don Butler had nothing new to report. Jake Blair reminded the executive that he had requested a return of his donation to the special fund, but had not yet received it.

10 New Business

- a. **Nominations** – No report. Jake Blair asked why no slate of nominations was presented to the meeting. Gaye Moffett responded that Alison Jones, chair of the Nominating Committee, was absent.
- b. **Bears** – There was lengthy discussion on problems with bears this past summer. Rob Muir informed the meeting that cottagers should contact the Municipality in the case of nuisance bears, being bears which have tried to enter homes. The municipality will set traps for problem bears and move them out of the area. The executive will provide numbers of who to call.
- c. **Roads** – Cottage owner Louis Tenace read out a sample letter he has drafted to the municipality, requesting the paving of all major roads around Lac Bernard. There was lengthy discussion and varying opinions on whether roads should be paved, improved, or left as they are. A motion was made by Richard Prgent that the association canvass the membership on future improvement of roads. Seconded by Louis Tenace. Discussion. Carried.
- d. **Selling Property** – Cottage owner Barry Latour notified cottagers that when selling or mortgaging a property, the old rules do not apply and that new descriptions are required. This came into effect in 1994.
- e. **Policing of Lake** – Don Lillico reported that he was stopped by police on the lake this summer and had to prove he had all the necessary safety equipment, as well as his licence. The licence must be in the boat at all times, or the penalty is \$250.00

11 Adjournment

Motion made to adjourn the meeting made by Don Lillico. Meeting adjourned at 9.40 p.m.