

Bob Lake Association
Minutes of the Annual General Meeting
May 18, 2019
S.G. Nesbitt Memorial Arena and Community Center
55 Parkside Street, Minden

Meeting called to order at 9:07 with 52 voting members in attendance.

Laurent welcomed everyone and started meeting with a series of announcements:

- If a member registered, you should have a blue voting card;
- If you are an observer, you should register at the check-in desk;
- Everyone should have a ticket for the drone draw;
- Dock tags previously ordered can be picked up from Trina and new orders can be placed;
- Donations are being received to support the flood relief efforts by the Minden Food Bank;
- Drones and crayfish were added to new business;
- Board has met 8 times since last year and all committees have been busy;
- 231 properties on the lake in 2018 103 were members

1. Approval of the agenda.

Motion: That the agenda for the 2019 Annual General Meeting of the Bob Lake Association be adopted. Moved by Jim Hyland and Seconded by Elaine Wray. Carried.

2. Approval of the 2018 AGM Minutes-held May 26, 2018.

Motion: That the minutes of the 2018 Annual General Meeting of the Bob Lake Association be approved as presented or amended. Moved by Anne England and Seconded by Anne Stephens. Carried

3. Business arising from the 2018 AGM held May 26, 2018.

4. Report of Officers:

a) Chair's Annual Report to Members on behalf of the Board of Directors:

Full report can be found in the 2019 AGM document on the website.
80% of members are reading email BLAs being sent out and 67% of prospective members are reading the modified version of the newsletter. Our goal going forward is to translate passive interest into active membership. The

initial interest in the dock tag initiative has been positive and 39 orders had been placed prior to the meeting. The tags will help in identifying Bob Lake Association members and assisting in finding lost docks or equipment. Owners can be found by following the process outlined on the website. Dave Roberts outlined the significant changes made to the website as a result of an upgrade to our WordPress membership. These included a temporary logo, news/blog items, delegation to council regarding the resurrection of a boat launch, relevant links to useful information and organisations, GIS mapping for the lake, water level monitoring, message board, reports from lake stewardship committee, safe boating work group, and boat launch committee. Future additions to the site will include historical information and interesting stories. Members can sign up to receive free copies of the Haliburton Life magazine by mail to their home address following the directions of the Haliburton Life link on the website.

b) Treasurer's Report:

Full Unaudited Financial Statement can be found in the 2019 AGM documents on the website.

Motion: That the Unaudited Financial Statement be approved. Moved by Ross Gladwell and Seconded by Jamie Kitchen. Carried

5. Bob Lake Association priorities 2019-2020:

a) Boat Launch:

Full report can be found in the 2019 AGM document on the website.

Boat launch update was provided by Dave Roberts and Robert Roszell: The boat launch committee has been busy since the last AGM. There has been regular contact with Minden Council and municipal staff (Ian Clendening and Mark Coleman). Board members were active in contacting candidates in the recent election and posting answers and questions on the website. Members of the Board made a delegation to the new Council on April 25, 2019 and are awaiting a response and further direction. The most recent proposal emphasized a variety of cost sharing models that recognize the budgetary realities facing Council. In particular, the new Shoreline Road Allowance policy could provide significant funding and members' responses to the survey reflected a willingness to financially participate in a solution. Council was also asked to act on the petition signed by over 145 lake residents/owners and form a co-operative joint task force. Members were encouraged to stay informed through the information continually posted on the website and in particular the detailed proposals. The new "Follow me" feature on the website will automatically e-mail members about the posting of new material. The board was recognized for all their hard work and efforts. Recent newspaper articles in the Times and Highlander have stressed the importance that tourism has on the area and in particular the need for municipal bodies in the county to create and maintain public access to public lakes in the area. There were a number of questions and concerns expressed

about the boat launch by individuals in the audience that addressed the impact of not having a public boat launch on individual tax assessments and ultimately municipal tax revenues, impact on the private road(s) near Plan B, secondary road, size and need for a turnaround, public consultation, redevelopment of original launch site, and concern about structures under the water near the proposed ramp site.

b) Lake Stewardship:

The Lake Stewardship working group has been busy since the last AGM and while the Chair person was not available for a presentation material can be found on the website.

c) Safe Boating:

Full report can be found in the 2019 AGM document on the website.

Safe boating work group report was presented by John du Manoir:

Volunteer members of the group were thanked and recognized for their hard work and effort in this complex endeavour. The report being presented was a follow up to last year's AGM to develop an action plan. The action plan has three phases to address budgetary concerns. The emphasis of phase one is the installation of 8 hazard markers and slow/no wake signs at first narrows. Implementation of future phases subject to ongoing review. Questions and discussions revolved the issues of skiing through the narrows, shoreline damage and concerns at first narrows and entrance to Bob creek. The first narrows meet the Ministry regulations for the buoys and signs. Residents will be notified by e-mail when the buoys go in and out of the water. Information will also be posted on the website. Buoys and markers conform to Transport Canada specifications. Boaters are responsible for their speed and wake.

Motion: That the Safe Boating action plan be approved as proposed. Moved by John du Manoir and Seconded by Patrick McCarthy. Carried.

d) Social Activity Group:

There was strong support and interest expressed in the survey for some sort of social activity. Pamela England agreed to head a working group to explore various options. Trina Wood agreed to be the link with the Board. Volunteers: Susan Langley, Carol Bowers (Subsequent to the meeting Jill Valor has also volunteered).

Motion: That the 2019 priorities of the Bob Lake Association be approved. Moved by Laurent Joncas and Seconded by Dave Roberts. Carried

6. Budget and Fees 2019

Ross Gladwell presented a proposed budget for 2019.

Full report can be found in the 2019 AGM document on the website.

An increase in the annual membership fee was recommended to address a number of issues: potential downturn in membership, creation of a reserve fund, ongoing costs associated with approved priorities. Ultimate budget will reflect actual membership renewals, new members, profit from dock tags. Important to encourage lake residents to join the BLA and support the various initiatives. Questions and discussions revolved around associate membership fee, ongoing costs of water testing, pros and cons of possibility of involving road associations in encouraging membership in the BLA and providing registration forms at their annual meetings. It was clearly stated that the Lake Association has no desire to assume responsibility for roads that service the lake.

Motion: That the budget for 2019 be approved as presented or amended: Moved by Ross Gladwell and Seconded by Terry Wray. Carried

Motion: That the membership fee be set at \$40.00: Moved by Robert Roszell and Seconded by Elaine Wray. Carried

7. Election of board members and officers:

Current members standing for re-election:

Dave Roberts
Erwin Speckert
John du Manoir
Laurent Joncas
Robert Roszell
Sue Pyke
Patrick McCarthy
Ross Gladwell
Trina Wood

Two additional nominations were made: Jim Hyland and David Greig
Eleven board members acclaimed.

Directors standing for re-election as officers:

Laurent Joncas, Chair
Robert Roszell, Vice-Chair
Sue Pyke, Secretary
Ross Gladwell, Treasurer

No further nominations were received.

Motion: That the members of the Board of Directors and Officers as elected by approved. Moved by Ann Stephens and seconded by Tony Minicola. Carried.

8. Unfinished Business:

9. New Business:

a) Invasive crayfish information is to be added to the website.

b) Drones are becoming popular and have been seen on the lake. The website will be updated with current regulations and highlighted in upcoming newsletters. Questions will be asked during the OPP presentation after the health break to clarify current regulations. Ministry of National Resources and Medi-Vac fly relatively low in the area and therefore special considerations and regulations apply.

C) Draw of aerial photograph of cottage courtesy of Anthony vanLieshout, Royal Lepage, Haliburton Winner: Bob Greig

10. Adjournment of business meeting:

Motion: That the 2019 Annual General Meeting of the Bob Lake Association be adjourned. Moved by Erwin Speckert and Seconded by Pamela England. Carried.

Donations were collected at the meeting and \$132.00 has been donated to the Minden Food Bank to support their flood relief efforts.