

## Greetings from the Executive:

Hello friends and neighbours:

Another summer is almost in the books; soon the leaves will be changing, birds will be migrating and many Isthmus Bay families will be planning a move back to their winter homes.

Over the winter don't forget to keep in touch with the Isthmus Bay area by checking out our website from time to time and rest assured the IBPOA executive will continue to monitor things over the winter and will keep you advised by email of newsworthy events. But if you should see something we miss bring it to our attention with an email to [info@isthmusbay.org](mailto:info@isthmusbay.org) and, if newsworthy, we will pass it along to all members.

We plan to update the newsletter section of our website to include our email news so if you do not have internet access but can get it from a local library or club you can keep in touch that way.

Our 2011 Annual General Meeting was well attended, received many positive reviews and included the election of two new directors, Fred Heise and Bill Marshall.

Welcome gentlemen! And thanks for volunteering.

We are currently planning for next year's meeting and hope to come up with an agenda that allows more room for your questions and comments and lets us close more punctually around noon for a light lunch.

Mark the date on your calendar now! It is Saturday July 14, 2012, same time, same place, although we hope to round up more chairs so everyone has a place to sit comfortably.

Minutes for the 2011 AGM have been posted on our website. If that is not convenient let us know and we can mail you a copy.

## IBPOA Executive News

**Membership News:** On August 1 most of you received an email from the executive advising that membership levels were dangerously low. We are pleased to report this crisis has passed and membership levels currently stand at 75 with a few more payments expected in the mail. Things looked gloomy when membership was only 45 immediately following the AGM. Thanks so much for stepping up and reaffirming the association still has value to you. If you have not yet joined there is time to act. Simply fill in the attached form and return to Bruce King at the address on the form.

**Membership List:** At the AGM a suggestion was made to distribute a membership list to all interested members. As a result we sent out an email seeking individual permission to provide your personal information for such a list. So far we have received only 22 responses with 17 agreeing to the proposal. Based on this very low response we do not plan to prepare the list but if you have not already responded to this question and wish to do so send an email to [info@isthmusbay.org](mailto:info@isthmusbay.org) or drop a note off to Bob Cunningham at 56 Carter Lane.

### Annual Meeting

- ◆ July 14, 2012  
10AM - 1 PM
- ◆ Location:  
Friendship  
Centre (Seniors'  
Centre)  
Tackaberry  
Street, Lion's  
Head

## IBPOA Executive News (continued)

**Campground Rocks:** At the AGM, Don Snow fielded a question from the floor concerning the placing of large rocks on the rock shelf in front of the campground on Isthmus Bay Road. Don has determined those rocks were placed there by the owners of the campground with a view to stopping debris from washing up onto that shelf especially during spring runoff, when large volumes of water pour out of the Swan Lake drain into the bay.

**Sandy Jolliffe:** It was with great regret that the executive recently received the resignation of Sandy Jolliffe. Sandy is stepping down for personal reasons and her contribution will be greatly missed. Bob, in particular, is wondering how he will continue to stay organized without Sandy's valuable input.

In the interim, Bill Marshall has agreed to take on the role of Secretary. Thanks Bill. You certainly did not have long to get your feet wet before taking the plunge.

## Dialogue with the Municipality

Immediately following the AGM we invited Deputy Mayor John Bainbridge to attend one of our executive meetings. John attended on August 1 and we had frank and fruitful (we hope) discussions on what can be best described as "process and attitude" concerning taxpayer contact with municipal council, senior managers and staff.

As a result of this meeting we have entered into a dialogue with the municipality on such issues as:

- a. failure of the municipality to respond to correspondence from taxpayers,
- b. failure of the municipality to

keep interested parties informed on developments concerning issues raised,

- c. failure of the municipality to give priority for delegations to persons who have expressed an interest in a particular issue.

We are also following up with the mayor concerning issues raised but not answered fully at our AGM. These include the use of "dirty" gravel in the Isthmus Bay Road tar and chip and the possibility of extending Concession 4 to Forty Hills Road.

We will keep you up to date on developments with all of these issues.

## Other News

**Coalition of Associations:** Unfortunately a preliminary meeting of the coalition was held on the same date as our 2011 AGM so none of us were able to attend. However it appears nothing much was accomplished except to determine there was a real interest in resurrecting the coalition. A further meeting is to be scheduled during the fall. We plan on attending and will advise if anything of interest takes place.

**Pedestrian Safety:** In the past this newsletter has spoken to motorists and asked them to reduce speed and be aware of pedestrians. But we have not directed anything at pedestrians. So

here are some safety tips when walking on roadways, particularly Isthmus Bay Road:

- a. walk on the left side of the road facing oncoming traffic
- b. walk as close to the side of the road as you can
- c. always be aware of your surroundings and approaching vehicular traffic
- d. move off the road, if you can, when traffic is approaching
- e. do not challenge a vehicle you think is speeding. You will lose the confrontation.
- f. **stay safe**

Bob Cunningham - President

Don Snow - Vice President

Bruce King - Treasurer

Bill Marshall - Secretary

Kathy Burns - Director

Fred Heise - Director

## IBPOA MEMBERSHIP FORM – 2011/2012

Please complete this form and return it to the Isthmus Bay Property Owners' Association at the address listed below. Please note – this application is open to registered owners, either seasonal or permanent residents, and partners or spouses of such owners located in the Isthmus Bay area (Isthmus Bay Road, Whippoorwill Road, Carter Lane, Constance Dr., Fox Dr., Hawthorne Dr., the easterly 500 meters of Everatt Sideroad and the southerly 500 meters of Forty Hills Rd.).

### IBPOA Member Information

(If you enrolled in prior years and have no changes in your personal information just complete your name(s) and Isthmus Bay property address – otherwise enter changed information as well)

Name(s): \_\_\_\_\_

Property Address (Fire #): \_\_\_\_\_

Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone Number (other): \_\_\_\_\_

Alternative Address:

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E-mail Address: \_\_\_\_\_

The annual fee is \$30.00. Please make cheque payable to the I.B.P.O.A. Inc. and send to:

**Isthmus Bay Property Owners' Association**

c/o Bruce King

P.O. Box 128

Lion's Head, ON

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Please note, membership coverage is from the date of this year's annual general meeting to the day before next year's AGM. Those paying on or before AGM registration are eligible to vote at the current AGM.