

ISTHMUS BAY PROPERTY OWNERS ASSOCIATION

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING MINUTES

SATURDAY JULY 9, 2011 at 10a.m.

At Senior's Friendship Centre, Lion's Head

Attendance: Bob Cunningham, President; Bruce King, Treasurer; Don Snow, Vice President; Sandra Jolliffe, Secretary; Katherine Burns, Director. Approximately 66 members/others and guests Mayor Milt McIver; Municipal C.A.O. Bill Jones; Scott Parker, Park Ecologist; Dark Sky reps Dave Andrews and Heather Bigelow; and O.P.P Staff Sergeant Wayne Thompson

1. President's Welcome - Bob welcomed all attendees and introduced the executive. Welcomed and introduced guests.
2. Minutes of Annual General Meeting, July 17, 2010 – Presented by Bob. Moved by John Newton to accept minutes as presented. Seconded by George Hambleton. Show of hands, all in favor.
3. Treasurers Report - Presented by Bruce King (see attached). Gave an explanation of non-renewal of FOCA membership as not suitable to our present needs and renewal of liability insurance, which covers directors and association activities. Thank you extended to Jane West for audit. Move to accept as presented by John Mills. Seconded by Bill Hamilton. Show of hands , all in favor.
4. Proposed By-Law / Constitution changes – (see attached, in bold changes) Bob read out the proposed changes. Some discussion and alternatives suggested for 1 vote per property but left as proposed. Discussion lead to change in item 3 wording to be” DAY BEFORE date of next years AGM” . Moved by May Perchanok to accept proposed changes as presented and with the addition of the word BEFORE to item 3. Seconded by Keith Howe. Show of hands carried the motion. 1 opposed.
5. Nominations and Elections –
 - a. President – Moved by Bill Hamilton to elect Bob Cunningham. Seconded by Fred Heisse. Acclaimed
 - b. Vice President – Moved by John Mills to elect Don Snow. Seconded by Fred Heisse. Acclaimed
 - c. Treasurer – Moved by George Hamilton to elect Bruce King. Seconded by Don Snow. Acclaimed
 - d. Secretary – Moved by Tim Little to elect Sandra Jolliffe. Seconded by Anita Cunningham. Acclaimed
 - e. Director – Moved by Isla Carmichael to elect Kathy Burns. Seconded by Ian Nicholson. Acclaimed
 - f. Director – Moved by Hilda Copf to nominate and elect Bill Marshall. Seconded by Ellen Barker. Acclaimed

- g. Director – Moved by Kathy Burns to nominate and elect Fred Heise. Seconded by Bill Hamilton. Acclaimed
6. Mayor Milt McIver – Thanked group for invitation to speak and apologized for the inconvenience of dust on Isthmus Bay Road due to road repairs. Unfortunately the timing of road repairs is weather and contractor availability dependent. Spoke in detail re issues of road surfacing and costs. He reiterated that at this time there are no plans or budget for major resurfacing /upgrading of Isthmus Bay Road. It will possibly be put into the next 5-10 year plan for the municipality to look at requirements/budget for upgrading. Member asked about extending road through Swan Lake vs. using Isthmus Bay Road as main thoroughfare. Mayor responded that this had been suggested in the past. The public will be asked to give input to the 5-10 year plan and include these and other ideas. Other updates from the Mayor included rebuilding of the Tobermory Medical Building, a new Visitor/Info building in Ferndale, a new Waste Management Study, hiring of a By-law officer for the Municipality and a major initiative to look at recreation needs in the Municipality and have proposals ready for when funding becomes available from the other levels of government. He closed with a reminder about “Spruce the Bruce” initiatives and the resulting perking up of main street, tourist areas and park.
 7. Scott Parker – Bruce Peninsula National Park Ecologist – he gave an overhead presentation showing the changes happening in the Great Lakes. The population of Gobi fish and Quagga mussels are having major effects at this time on the water quality and impact the food chain and native species. He spoke about different algae and “blooms” - some which are normal and others that are harmful, such as the Type E Botulism that was killing shore birds. Example that in Lake Huron, of 120 species, 7 are gone and 20 are in peril. The Lakes continue to be in flux and at risk due to invasive species, but great effort goes into monitoring these changes and activities to maintain the health of the Great Lakes.
 8. Dark Skies presentation – Dave Andrews spoke of the importance of dark skies for native species as well as a draw for tourism. Suggestions to use warm coloured lights vs. cool colours; heat sensors vs. motion sensors; best of all don’t turn lights on or alternatively use dark sky compliant products. All were invited to sign up for in home inspections and advice on becoming dark sky friendly.
 9. Presidents Address - Bob reminded group of sign by law and to notify Don Johnson, Manager or Carol, new by law officer, of infractions. Note that on the Association’s business cards the By-Law ext 227 is for Don and Carol’s ext is 258. Members invited to give input on other social events they may be interested in, and to submit historical articles/photos for inclusion on web site. Members asked what else they would like to see on web site and to contact Bob with ideas. During question and answer a member queried where the large rocks on the shoreline at the camp grounds came from and what their purpose was. Don Snow said he would find out more information regarding these boulders. Thank you for attending and welcome to light lunch courtesy of members Anita Cunningham, Nancy Snow, Kathy Burns and Sydney Gosling. Also thank you to those others helping out in the kitchen and serving

Meeting adjourned at 12:15 p.m.