

## KASHWAKAMAK LAKE ASSOCIATION

Annual General Meeting - July 9, 2011

The President, Mary Larson, called the meeting to order at 9:35 am and welcomed the approximately 55 members who were in attendance. All the Directors were introduced, including Ruth Blamire (Weiss Point) and Andy White (Brown's Bay), who had been appointed to fill the vacancies left by the resignations of Lynn McEvoy and Bob Osborne respectively. Mary also noted that Earl Bond and Peggie Pelosi had resigned and that Elma MacLachlan was retiring.

The Minutes of the 2010 AGM, which had been sent out last fall (copies were also available at this meeting) were approved on a motion by Judy McIntyre, seconded by Verna Hutchinson. CARRIED

### TREASURER'S REPORT

Everyone had received a copy of the Balance Sheet/Financial Report, audited by Larry Black and Karen McCall. Allen Archibald, the Treasurer, could not be present to answer questions, but the Financial Report was approved on a motion by Bill Roffey, seconded by Judy McIntyre. CARRIED

### CONSTITUTION

Judy McIntyre explained the main amendments presented in the Draft Constitution.

Active membership would be limited to one person per registered property on the lake and would have the right to one vote at any meeting.

Associate Membership may be granted to any person designated by a registered property owner. This does not carry the right to vote, but is entitled to all other privileges of membership.

Honorary Membership may be awarded by the Board of Directors in recognition of services rendered to the Association.

There were no questions or discussion. The Draft Constitution was approved on a motion by Ruth Blamire, seconded by David Archibald. CARRIED

### HONORARY MEMBERS

Mary then announced that the Board of Directors had awarded Honorary Life Memberships to Alan MacGregor, Reg Locke and Elma MacLachlan.

## LAKE PLAN

Judy McIntyre, as the Director co-ordinating the Lake Sustainability Plan, described how, last Fall, a Steering Committee had been formed to present the idea of a Lake Plan to the membership for approval. She introduced Scott Bennett, a Committee member, who then proceeded to give a clear and concise presentation describing a Lake Plan and how it is put together.

A Lake Plan is a process whereby a lake community (permanent residents, seasonal residents, visitors, businesses, local government etc.) comes together to share what they value about the lake, as well as their concerns. "Sustainability" means making sure that future generations have access to the same opportunities and quality of life that we have today. A lake plan would increase awareness through communication and education, so that we could be proactive before a major issue occurred. It would also give us a baseline to measure changes.

The first step would be to gather information by means of a survey or questionnaire. Then all the information would be analysed and a Draft Plan drawn up. Public Meetings would then be held to get feedback from the community. Eventually, after a process that could take 2 – 5 years, the Lake Plan would be approved.

Some lakes have used the assistance of a consultant in drawing up their Lake Plan. However, because of the talents and expertise of Committee members, an expensive consultant would not be necessary. A budget of \$1000.00 (from KLA funds) is proposed for the first year.

After some discussion and questions, answered by Scott and Judy, Scott noted that the first step in a Kashwakamak Lake Sustainability Plan would be a majority vote at the AGM to proceed. It was moved by Verna Hutchinson, seconded by Mike Hall that KLA proceed with a Lake Plan. This motion was CARRIED on a vote of 31 For and 3 Against.

Scott announced that the Committee would report back on progress to the 2012 AGM.

There were surveys available for all members to take, fill in and return to the Committee.

## ELECTIONS

After the coffee break, Elma, as Past President, conducted the election of officers to serve on the KLA Board 2011 – 2013. It was announced that the following Directors of the current Board were willing to stand for another term:

Mary Larson – Past President  
Milt Houle – Lake Steward  
Judy McIntyre – Michel Bay  
Ruth Blamire – Weiss Point

Allen Archibald – Treasurer/Membership  
Gord Hunter – S. Shore  
Kevin Phillips – Fernleigh  
Andy White – Brown's Bay

Because of the resignations of Earl Bond and Peggie Pelosi and the retirement of Elma MacLachlan, there were three vacancies.

Elma then asked for nominations from the floor.

Judy McIntyre nominated Cathy Galt from Whitefish Bay. This was seconded by Gaile Bethell.

There were no other nominations from the floor. Nominations were closed on a motion by Peter Burbidge, duly seconded. CARRIED

The slate was then declared elected by Acclamation, with two positions representing N. shore and S. Shore left open at that time.

The new Director, Cathy Galt, was congratulated and welcomed to the Board.

#### LAKE STEWARDSHIP

In a brief report, Milt Houle announced that, in early May, he had taken lake samples, which would be tested for phosphorus content. This summer, in cooperation with MVC and OFA&H, he had taken samples for invasive species testing. This would detect the presence of zebra mussels, spiny water flea etc. It is several years since this was last tested in Kash. Milt also measures water clarity and temperature throughout the summer.

#### NEW BUSINESS

Loon Watch. Verna Hutchinson, the co-ordinator of the Loon Watch Program would like to hand this job over, but no-one at the meeting volunteered.

Family Day. Mary reminded everyone of Family Day at Fernleigh on August 13 from 11:00 am to 4:00 pm.

Dinner/Auction. At Fernleigh on September 10. Tickets (\$23.00) were on sale at the meeting.

Moved by Judy McIntyre and seconded by Gaile Bethell that the meeting adjourn.  
Time 11:15 am

Elma MacLachlan  
Acting Secretary