

Sturgeon Point Association (SPA)

Annual General Meeting

September 2, 2018

SPA Directors in Attendance: Philip Robertson, Bob LeCraw, Patricia Aspinwall, Judy Haverkort, Jacqui Mutch-Potporksi, Dave Lightbound, Marie Day, Jeff Harris, Sue Milling

Regrets: Trevor Biasi, Jim Milford

Meeting called to order at 9:40 am by Phil Robertson, President

1. Approval of 2017 AGM Minutes:

- Motion to approve: John Eaton; Second: Jean Creighton; Carried

2. Trustee Report: Phil Robertson

- In 1999, the Village of Sturgeon Point set up a Municipal Benefit Trust to manage five pieces of Village property: the playground park, the public swimming dock at the bottom of 3rd Street, the Upper Wharf, the village leaf dump and an undeveloped piece of land on Lake Ave.
- As Village municipal lands, they were exempt from municipal property tax and were covered by the Village's liability insurance.
- When the Village was amalgamated into the City of Kawartha Lakes, the Village negotiated that the lands would be managed and maintained by the Trust while the properties would continue to be tax exempt and would be covered by the City's liability insurance.
- The properties can never be sold. The Trust maintains the lands or can surrender them to the City.
- The Trustees are: Biz Agnew, Jeanne DesBrisay, Leslie Thomas, Tom Anders and Phil Robertson.

3. Treasurer's and Membership Report: Bob LeCraw

- Membership as of September 1, 2018: 197
- Membership as of August 28, 2017: 209
- Membership dues received to-date: \$7,880
- There will be a final push for membership renewals and sign-ups prior to Thanksgiving
- Total donations received to-date: \$3,800
- Donations of more than \$50 are eligible for a tax receipt
- Current balance: \$8,871.00
- With outstanding deposits and grants, the balance will be \$13,434.13
- After expenses, the projected balance at November 30th, end of the fiscal year is \$9,614.13

- There have been extraordinary expenses over the last couple of years with repairs both to the upper wharf and the public swimming docks. The swimming raft was replaced this year as well as completing the concrete repairs on the docks.
- Looking ahead, there will be a need to raise funds for future repairs to the concrete at the Upper Wharf which is estimated to cost \$10,000; removal of leaves at the leaf dump which is estimated to cost approximately \$6500 - \$8000; and the replacement of wood chips at the playground, approximately \$2200.
- Membership dues, grants and donations cover operating costs but there is a need to build up a reserve
- This was Bob's last report as Treasurer and Membership Director as he has completed a 6 year term on the Board. Marie Day will be assuming the role of Treasurer and Membership Director.
- Motion to approve the Treasurer's and Membership Report: Judy Haverkort; Second: Sally Eaton; Carried

4. **Playground & Social Report:** Judy Haverkort

- The playground is inspected every year
- This year, the basketball net and bench were fixed with thanks to Dave Lightbound
- There were over 200 people at both the Canada Day BBQ and the Civic Holiday Street Dance

5. **Communications Report:** Jacqui Mutch-Potporksi

- Jacqui presented a written report summarizing the stats and analytics for the website (the highest number of visits to the site was in August) as well as a copy of one of the summer's e-mailed communications
- The website was updated this year for PayPal security reasons
- Thanks to Jamie Wisener for helping to rebuild the site
- The website and communications are linked with the Sailing Club, Golf Course and the Church, highlighting important events and news.
- There are 275 followers of the SPA Facebook page; pictures can be found on the Facebook page and Facebook Events is used to promote events
- Looking at archives and other areas to be updated
- There are 279 subscribers on the SPA distribution list, an increase of 16 over 2017. Existing members, including family members and new members are reminded to keep their e-mail addresses up-to-date.
- There were 4 main e-mail communications over the summer. The first e-mail was the most accessed and contained a call for volunteers (very successful!) and information about Joan Horsfall Young's Cottages exhibit at the Colborne Street Gallery which generously helped to raise funds for the Sturgeon Point Union Church, the Sturgeon Lake Sailing Club and the Sturgeon Point Golf Club. Thank you, Joan.
- Jacqui announced that the 2018-19 year will be her 6th year on the Board so SPA is looking for people to take on the responsibility for communications.

- Responding to a question about the history of Sturgeon Point on the website, Jacqui noted that there is some information currently on the site and encouraged people to pass along pictures and any stories that can be added to the page.

6. **Roads Report:** Phil Robertson delivered the report on behalf of Jim Milford

- While some of the potholes were filled this year, the roads for repaving continue to be down on the City's priority list.
- SPA lobbied the City for a 3 way stop sign at the entrance to the Village. The City's engineers would not recommend the installation of the stop sign so the issue was appealed to Council. The motion was defeated but the City did move the 80 KM sign further down the highway in an attempt to slow the traffic entering and leaving the Village.
- The issue of traffic calming measures will be raised during the municipal election. In addition to the need to slow traffic at the entrance to the Village, it was noted that traffic calming along Sandy Point Rd and a stop sign at Gray Rd and Sandy Point would be helpful.

7. **President's Report:** Philip Robertson

- Phil thanked SPA members for their support: the repairs at the Upper Wharf and the public swimming dock were costly and the community generously stepped up.
- This is the end of Phil's 6 year term. Phil thanked the SPA Board members:
 - Special thanks to Bob LeCraw for handling membership and treasurer's position and repairs to the docks and playground inspection;
 - Special thanks to Judy Haverkort for her exceptional organizational skills with SPA's social events;
 - Thanks to Jacqui Mutch-Potporksi for managing e-mail and social media communications and Jamie Wisener for his support; and
 - Thanks to Sue Milling for handling the grant applications.
- Thanks to the Board members who have completed their terms: Judy Haverkort, Bob LeCraw, Trevor Biasi, Jim Milford
- Thanks to all the volunteers
- Biggest thanks to membership who have volunteered their time and made donations. Donations over \$50 are eligible for tax receipts now thanks to the assistance of the City of Kawartha Lakes.
- Phil noted the success of coordinating events and initiatives with the Sailing Club, Church and Golf Club and encouraged people to reach out to new residents to get involved.

8. **Nominations for 2018-2019 SPA Board** – Patricia Aspinwall

- Patricia thanked Phil for his leadership and contributions as President of SPA for the last 6 years. Thanks also to those Board members who have completed their terms.
- The following were names were presented for nomination to the 2018-19 SPA Board of Directors:

- Patricia Aspinwall
- Matt Carr
- Marie Day
- Jeff Harris
- Dave Lightbound
- Sue Milling
- Jacqui Mutch-Potporksi
- Meri Newton
- Vito Pisano
- Chris Van Lierop
- Darlene Young
- Motion to approve the recommendation: Simon Aspinwall; Second: John Eaton; Carried

9. **Other business:** There were no items of other business.

10. **Motion to Adjourn:** John Eaton; Second: Simon Aspinwall; Carried.