

Sturgeon Point Association (SPA)

Annual General Meeting – Minutes

September 5, 2021

SPA Directors in Attendance: Patricia Aspinwall, Marie Day, Dave Lightbound, Cat Medici, Anne Soh, Bill Stevenson, Darlene Young

Meeting called to order at 10:12 a.m. by Patricia Aspinwall, President. Patricia introduced the above board members and their respective roles.

1. Approval of 2020 AGM Minutes:

Motion to approve the 2020 AGM Minutes: Moved by Cat Medici; Seconded by Chris Appleton: Carried.

2. Directors' Reports

a) Review & Approval of Financial Statements (2020 YE) - Marie Day, Treasurer

Marie presented the financial statements for fiscal year ending November 30th, 2020 (see Appendix I).

There were no questions or discussions following Marie's presentation

Motion to accept and approve the 2020 Financial Statements: Moved by Lisa Vehrs; Seconded by: Larry Thomas

b) Beautification Update - Darlene Young

Darlene provided the following report:

Social

Due to the pandemic, SPA has not yet hosted any social events this year but are planning the Annual Halloween event on Saturday October 30th.

Beautification

SPA replaced the Sturgeon Point Village signs at the golf course and the village entrance.

At the Park,

- SPA added new playground safe mulch around the play structures and new sand for the sand box (with thanks to the donation by Doug Peel of Milt Peel and Sons Sand and Gravel Inc. for the sand box)
- A bench was donated by Judy Haverkort and refurbished and stained by Greg Young
- A picnic table was moved from the Upper wharf and placed in the park
- The garden by the dedication rock was cleaned and hostas and marigolds were planted.
- The garbage bin was torn apart by a bear and fixed. In 2022, we will apply for a grant to install bear proof garbage cans at the Park, Public Beach and Upper Wharf.

At the Public Beach,

- new umbrellas were installed at the start of the season
- SPA placed 2 barrel planters and a smaller planter on the grassy areas to discourage parking. The sign at the beach will be updated with the following. "Please use the angle parking in front of the Union Church."
- Turner family generously donated a tree which has been planted

For the Upper Wharf,

 Liz Spellen, Jacqui Mutch and Darlene Young worked hard to rejuvenate the gardens, including adding an herb garden in barrell planters with herbs donated by Judy Haverkort.

Darlene thanked all the volunteers who have helped out by helped out. She especially thanked Liz Spellen who:

- donated and watered the beautiful hanging baskets under the new sign at the village
- helped with the gardens and planter boxes at the Park, Public Beach and Upper
 Wharf

Finally, Darlene asked residents sign up to volunteer for Halloween and 2022 social events and beautification projects.

Questions/Discussions:

A concern was raised by a resident that parking for church goers may be adversely
affected. Patricia reassured that SPA would consult the Churh Committee to get
agreement before proceeding with instructions for beach parking.

c) Roads and Maintenance Report -Bill Stevenson

During the last year, Bill submitted complaints about potholes, sand, ploughing to COKL but has yet to receive a response

Bill reported that to increase the likelihood of getting work done, a petition is required to be presented to City Hall with at least 20 signatures

On a positive note, the light pole outside 40 Lake Avenue has been fixed after 3 calls from Bill *Questions/Discussions:*

- Road repairs and maintenance continue to be an issue. For example, Golf Links Road and Henry Street are in dire need for repairs. In addition, Sturgeon Point roads are not included in COKL's five-year road plan.
- To help resolve this issue, suggestions were made from the floor that more residents in addition to SPA submit complaints to COKL (link to be provided in next email communication) and that the petition described above be initiated.

d) President's Report – Patricia Aspinwall

Patricia gave her report highlighting the following:

- There was an increase in year-round residents and she welcomed new residents to the Village
- Volunteers make the village run, maintaining its uniqueness and introducing improvements along the way
- SPA was cautious about its budget and events this year because of uncertain membership revenues and donations no longer eligible for tax receipts
- Residents were reminded that their annual membership dues pay for the cost of ground maintenance, equipment etc. and used to build reserves for future repairs and contingencies
- COKL grants play an important role for beautification and events. For example, the new village signs were paid in part by grants. For 2022, SPA will apply for grants to offset the cost of bear bins
- She thanked Dave Lightbound, Isabella Aspinwall and Karli Theo for completing the work on the 2021 Village Map
- Patricia noted that she is stepping down as President after four years at the helm and thanked other board members for their contributions during the last year

There were no questions or discussions.

3. Election of New Directors for 2021 - 2022 SPA Board – Patricia Aspinwall

Patricia thanked Marie Day, the current SPA treasurer who will be stepping down. As noted above, Patricia will also step down from role as President.

As a result, the following names were presented for nomination to the 2021 - 2022 SPA Board of Directors:

- Lisa Davis Director at Large
- Claire Desbrisay Grants
- Terri Goodacre Social
- Dave Lightbound Director at Large

- Cat Medici Communication
- Tonja Mulder Communication
- Will Ollerhead Treasurer
- Anne Soh Secretary
- Bill Stevenson Roads
- Darlene Young Social

In addition, Rob Cave moved and Teri Goodacre seconded that Meri Newton be added to Board

Motion to approve: Maureen McKellar Second: Cacki Philips, Carried

4. Speaker Doug Elmslie, Councillor, City of Kawartha Lakes

Mr. Emslie made the following remarks:

a) Roads

He acknowledged that Golf Links Road, Henry Street and portions of Lake Avenue were in dire need of repair and will draft a memo to council to request special service for these roads.

He noted the work done on Sandy Beach and Gray Roads.

He pointed out that Henry Street between Lake and Forest is an unassumed road (i.e., not subject to City ploughing) and that Graham Lane is a private road (i.e., not part of municipal responsibility).

COKL will install chevrons and "slow" signs at entrance of village where the speed limit reduces from 80km to 40km over a short distance.

In a future report to council, Doug will ask for enhanced road sweeping program.

b) Garbage and Recycling:

Fenelon landfill is due to be closed in 2025. To mitigate this, mattresses and construction materials can be recycled.

Lindsay landfill expected to remain open until 2050.

Blue box program is subject to change where province expected to transfer responsibility to manufacturers.

c) Miscellaneous Matters

Doug also touched on topics including budget cuts due to the pandemic, the possibility of future property tax hikes, and the creation of a task force to help businesses survive on a long term basis.

Questions/Discussions

Changes in recycling program: it was asked and clarified that residential pick up will
continue but with producers/manufacturers taking over the program from the
municipalities with a universal recycling list for all of Ontario

- Heritage report: a question was raised regarding the status of this report. Doug
 responded that the report is in still in progress and will eventually go to council. The
 resident asked Doug if she could contact him directly for help finding funding
 sources for the Upper Wharf Rain Shelter restoration. He agreed the resident could
 contact him directly by email.
- Roads: a question was asked on tax dollars and road repairs (Doug responded that 25% of COKL budget allocated to roads). Phil Robertson volunteered to send letter to Doug stating that prior to amalgamation, the Village of Sturgeon Point, as a municipality, assumed responsibility for all roads in the village except for Graham Lane
- Other questions included boat house footings repairs and the payment of docking fee, order in which road sweeping is done and the installation of bike lanes

5. Other business – Patricia Aspinwall

Chris Appleton thanked Patricia for her hard work and dedication to SPA over the years Motion to Adjourn: Moved by Cat Medici, seconded by Lisa Vehrs, Carried.

APPENDIX

Sturgeon Point Association

In 2020, we continued to care for and maintain the community properties at Sturgeon Point. Operating costs of maintaining these properties continued as in prior years while costs of holding events fell to zero. Revenues suffered from a significant drop in membership dues collected.

	2020 FY		2019 FY		Comments
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Revenue:					
Grants	\$	400	\$	3,200	2020 \$100 Beautification (50/50), \$300 Events (delayed till 2021)
Special Events	\$	-	\$	718	2019 Bake sale to raise funds for new bulletin boards
Donations	\$	4,118	\$	4,950	
Membership dues	\$	9,940	\$	12,400	Fewer members paid this year
Total Revenue	\$	14,458	\$	21,268	
Total donations and dues	\$	14,058	\$	17,350	
paid members		199		248	
Expenses:					
Operating Expenses:					
General Grounds maintenance	\$	6,860	\$	5,051	Beautification (umbrellas, planters, etc), Safety rings & ropes, accounting catch-up for prior year invoice Dutch Boy
Events:					
Canada Day	\$	-	\$	436	
Civic	\$	-	\$	1,488	
Halloween	\$	-	\$	170	
Subtotal Events	\$	-	\$	2,094	Events cancelled in 2020
Insurance	\$	1,914	\$	1,914	
Other	\$	377	\$	624	
Total Operating Expenses	\$	9,151	\$	9,682	
Total Operating Income	\$	5,307	\$	11,586	
Capital improvements:					
Upper Wharf	\$	-	\$	552	2019 chain link and ladder (donated)
Playground	\$	-	\$	830	2019 Bulleting boards (funded from Bake sale proceeds)
Public Beach	\$	985	\$	-	2020 Concrete crack repair
Other	\$	350	\$	-	Deposit for two new village signs
Total	\$	1,335	\$	1,382	
Cash:					
Beginning balance	\$	17,380	\$	7,176	
Operating Income	\$	5,307	\$	11,586	
Capital Improvements	\$	(1,335)	\$	(1,382)	
Ending balance	\$	21,352	\$	17,380	