

**Greater Sudbury Watershed Alliance  
Special General Meeting  
October 15, 2012**

**I. Call to Order**

- Lesley Flowers called to order the special general meeting of the Greater Sudbury Watershed Alliance (GSWA) at 7:10 pm on Monday, October 15, 2012 at the Vale Living with Lakes Centre.

**II. Roll Call of Stewards**

- The meeting consisted of the following participants:

Lesley Flowers – Vermillion River  
Sherri Johnson Purdon – Vermillion River  
Richard Paquette – Whitewater  
Jillian Smith – St. Charles  
Terry Fortin – Fairbank  
Lin Gibson – McFarlane  
Paul Sajatovic – Conservation Sudbury

Linda Heron – Vermillion River  
Alex Cieslewicz – Richard  
Shannon Dennie – Junction Creek  
Margaret McLaughlin – Fairbank  
David Young – McFarlane  
Jessica Tann – Simon  
Elaine Porter – Ramsey

**III. Approval and Adoption of Agenda**

- Approval and adoption of agenda moved by Lin; seconded by Margaret. Motion unanimously approved.

**IV. Approval of Minutes**

- The meeting minutes from August 20, 2012 were reviewed. Lesley noted that since Silver Lake is not a member of the GSWA, the matters arising from the minutes in this regard are moot – the GSWA will not act on behalf of Silver Lake. A letter recommending the formation of a Silver Lake stewardship committee was sent to Mr. Hautamaki on behalf of the GSWA.
- Approval and adoption of minutes moved by Sherri; seconded by Terry. Motion unanimously approved.

**V. Treasurer's Report**

- With the inclusion of sixteen stewardship groups, the City of Sudbury grant, the Steelworkers grant and comedy night ticket proceeds (pre-Oct 15<sup>th</sup> collection), the BMO total to date stood at \$2455.00.
- The account will soon be changed to Greater Sudbury Watershed Alliance Inc.

## **VI. Fundraising Committee Report – November 8<sup>th</sup> Comedy Night**

### *September Fundraising Meeting Overview*

- Lesley, Linda, Dave, Alex, and Jillian met with Lisa Bonin of Eventful Times to discuss the November 8<sup>th</sup> Comedy Night. Discussion centred on ticket sales, silent auction items, door prizes, and the sale of Lisa's own line of products. These products will be available to the GSWA to sell at no obligation and include hats, scarves, mitts, and jewelry. The committee felt they were of high quality and relevant to the GSWA target audience.
- **Action Item: Sub-Committee to meet again before Nov 8th**

### *Ticket money collection and Receipts*

- Dave collected cheques and cash from ticket sales issuing receipts as necessary.

### *Unsold Tickets*

- 165 tickets have been sold to date; 30 tickets are possibly sold, thus, 300-400 tickets remain unsold. Some of these tickets were redistributed. The break-even point is 220 tickets.
- **Action Item: It essential that more tickets are sold!**

### *Auction Items, Door and Table sign-up sheets*

- More items are needed for the silent auction. Items will be stored at Jillian Smith's home in the south end.
- Participants were encouraged to sign up for various positions before, during, and after the comedy night. Lesley suggested meeting at the Caruso Club for 2pm on the 8<sup>th</sup>.
- John Cimino at the Caruso Club is willing to allow the GSWA use of the credit machine for auction purchases.
- **Action Item: More volunteers required for Comedy Night evening**

## **VII. Nevada Tickets**

- It was brought to Dave's attention that the GSWA may have the opportunity to participate in a Nevada ticket sales fundraiser. Because the window of opportunity may open and close expeditiously, Lesley and Dave would require advance group approval to proceed.
- Motion: Be it resolved that the GSWA authorizes Lesley Flowers as Principal Officer and David Young as designated Member in Charge to make a license application on behalf of the GSWA to conduct fundraising using Nevada tickets to support appropriate activities of this organization.
- Discussion: Elaine and Paul have questions regarding profit cuts and eligibility requirements respectively. Linda H. acknowledges that some individuals have addictive propensities for Nevada tickets, and as such, she could not support GSWA in this initiative.

- Terry motions to table the subject of Nevada tickets – both because of the sensitive nature for some members and also until eligibility criteria and profit percentages are further investigated; motion seconded by Alex. Motion is carried with 12 approvals and 2 abstentions.
- **Action Item: Dave will further investigate Nevada ticket fundraising**

### **VIII. Directors' and Officers' Insurance**

- The Federation of Cottagers' Association (FOCA) via Cade Association Insurance Brokers offer \$ 3 million Commercial General Liability and \$ 3 million Directors' and Officers' Liability for \$1005.
- Gougeon Insurance via Encon Group offer \$2 million Directors' and Officers' Liability with no deductible for \$1101.70 (\$800 premium, \$175 policy fee, 13% tax).
- Motion for Lesley to purchase 1 year of insurance through Gougeon Insurance moved by Richard; seconded by Linda. Motion unanimously approved.
- **Action Item: Lesley to purchase liability insurance**

### **IX. Ice Fishing and Lake Activity Concerns**

#### *Ice Hut Removal*

- The current ice hut removal date is March 31st; Azilda CAN recommends lobbying government (MNR) to change this date to March 1<sup>st</sup>. Climate change, and therefore increased safety and pollution issues, are cited as the reasons for this amendment.
- Discussion: Paul concedes that the timing may be optimal to follow through with this issue and a sub-committee consisting of Lesley, Richard, Linda, and Lin was struck to investigate jurisdiction and opportunities for amendment.

#### *Lake Activity*

- Richard commented that Whitewater Lake is hosting upwards of 7 fishing derbies annually resulting in noise, traffic, and waste pollution.
- Terry questioned why the MNR does not become involved in such matters and whether the city should adopt a policy for event or venue permits on Whitewater Lake.
- **Action Item: Sub-Committee to plan meeting**

### **X. Adjournment**

- The GSWA special meeting had a motion to adjourn at 9 pm by Elaine; seconded by Richard. Motion was unanimously approved.