

Minutes of Meeting
Greater Sudbury Watershed Alliance Board Meeting
Monday, November 17 2014

Vale Living with Lakes Centre, Ramsey Lake Rd., Sudbury Rm LL202

I. Call to Order

Alex Cieslewicz graciously accepted acting as chair for the meeting.

Alex opened the meeting at 7:00pm.

II. Participants

David Young, Rodney Chambers, Alex Cieslewicz, Sandra Willock ,Richard Witham, Elaine Porter , Shannon Dennie, Paul Sajatovic, Carl Jorgensen, Eric Stuart, Larry Hautamaki, Claude Nadon, Lori Adams, Norm Eady, Dave Furino, Tim Walker, John Lindsay, Jessica Tann

Regrets: Lesley Flowers, Lin Gibson, Lilly Noble, Jillian Smith, Linda Heron

III. Approval of Agenda

Motion to approve and adopt agenda moved by Lori Adams and seconded by Sandi Willock

CARRIED

IV. Presentation: Dr. Randy Battocchio, College Boreal-Simon Lake Project - Dr. Battocchio spoke about his work with the Simon Lake Project. He is doing the writing for a project overwintering weevils at a lab at College Boreal. The project intends sampling lake sediment and colonizing indigenous mussels in a study to determine if the mussels (in a 10'X10' section) can trap/reduce phosphorous sediment in lake bottoms. Randy Battocchio explained that the College itself has no budget for research and the project would be funded by a provincial grant/Trillium fund application. GSWA member David Furino was an original contact for the project.

V. Minutes of August 18, 2014 General Meeting

Motion to approve the report moved by Dave Young and seconded by Dave Furino.

CARRIED

V. Matters Arising From the Minutes

Chair L. Flowers must have relayed our censure about an offensive port-a-potty by a public boat launch which had blown over and lost its contents. The city apparently has removed the toilet.

VI. Treasurer's Report

David Young reported a balance of \$2082.67

Motion to approve the report moved by David Young and seconded by Elaine Porter.

CARRIED

VII. Committee Reports

1. **Private Source Drinking Water**- report is deferred.

2. **Invasive Aquatic Species Committee**-Lori Adams

Lori Adams spoke on the Invasive Aquatic Species. There were 2 meetings- October 8 and November 6.

- Areas of activity & discussion (June to October)
- Enviroscience survey of Asiatic Milfoil
 - survey of native aquatic species
 - lake-wide aquatic plant survey (city staff) – rake toss method, drag through beds
 - monitoring control sites established at each study lake
 - Sept/Oct collect the bugs (weevils)
 - develop initial strategies: reduce established invaders and prevent new species
 - Trent U. study
 - educational component – Stewardship Emails, city-produced pamphlets
 - boat washing demo station- Ramsey Lake? Spiny water flea in L. Penage
- 2nd Meeting – city staff Lana & Ann researched boat washing stations - coin operated costs \$30,000
- portable, affordable \$10,000
- Educational opportunities – schools, fishing, derbies, boat retailers, signage, public info nights

Pending Meeting-everyone invited, very important- **Wednesday December 3rd 2014** at the Living with Lakes Centre

The GSWA and the City of Sudbury's Environmental Planning Initiatives Section will be holding an important joint meeting:

- a) Stephen Monet explains and answer questions on the EnviroScience 2014 Weevil Report released at the end of November.
- b) Lana Haslam discusses the aquatic plant survey of the 5 lakes.
- c) Andre Feron, a Boreal professor, updates the weevil over-wintering program at the college,
- d) Stephen Monet with help from the GSWA members will go over the 2015 aquatic invasive species strategy.

3. **Fundraiser Sub-Committee for Thursday March 5, 2015 Comedy Night**

Alex Cieslewicz spoke on ticket sales, a Silent Auction, and Pizza sales at our intended Fundraiser Night.

- At Caruso Club (site is free – they get liquor sales), Lisa Bonin of Eventful Times arranges entertainment
- Tickets are \$25 this year,
- 2 colours of tickets – green – **reserved** tables of 10 for businesses/groups
- white – for the public, tables not reserved

- need lots of help in selling tickets, getting silent auction items (aim for larger ticket items), operating the night of the event

Fun evening! Let's make this great.

VIII. **New Business** –Brief Discussion Considering Charitable Status for GSWA- David Young, Treasurer

IX. **Other**

a) Introduction of a new Executive Director of NDCA (Conservation Sudbury):

Paul Sajatovic, who is retiring from the NDCA, introduced his successor, Carl Jorgensen who said some words of introduction.

b) New 900 car hospital parking lot water runoff eventually reaches Ramsay Lake.

John Lindsay stated that we must await the consultant report on the design of the parking lot and see if the city approves this.

X. **Adjournment** at 8:25

Next Meetings: General Special Meeting with city staff concerning Invasive Species (Milfoil etcetera)

Wednesday December 3rd 2014 at 7:00 pm Vale Living with Lakes

General Meeting on January 19th at 7:00 pm- Vale Living with Lakes