

**Greater Sudbury Watershed Alliance Inc.  
General Meeting Minutes  
February 22, 2016  
Vale Living with Lakes Centre Rm LL102**

**1. CALL TO ORDER**

Chair Margaret McLaughlin called the GSWA meeting to order at 7:08pm

**2. ROLL CALL OF STEWARD**

Margaret McLaughlin (Fairbanks Lake)  
David Young (McFarlane Lake)  
Denise Goodmurphy (Whitewater Lake)  
Dave Furino (Simon Lake)  
Craig Hamilton (Richard Lake)  
John Lindsay (Minnow Lake)  
Larry Hautamaki (Silver Lake)  
Lesley Flowers (Vermillion/Simon)  
Sandi Willock (Grant/Long Lake)  
Norm Eady (Lake Whanapitae)

Elaine Porter (Ramsey Lake)  
Lori Adams (Long Lake)  
Mary Faris (Long Lake)  
Alex Cieslewicz (Richard Lake)  
Shannon Dennie (Junction Creek)  
Richard Witham (long Lake)  
Jillian Smith (St. Charles Lake)  
Linda Heron (Vermillion River)  
Tim Walker (Lake Panache)  
Lana Haslam (CGS Lake Program)

**3. GUEST SPEAKER**

Lana Haslam, Coordinator of Lake Program with the City of Greater Sudbury gave a presentation on the Love Your Lake Program which is a shoreline assessment and stewardship program that helps shoreline property owners with resources to help improve their shoreline and lake. For more info go to [loveyourlake.ca](http://loveyourlake.ca) Lana is available to make presentations to individual lake stewardships and is looking for lakes to sign up by April for the upcoming season.

**4. APPROVAL & ADOPTION OF AGENDA**

Motion to approve and adopt agenda moved by Linda and seconded by Jillian.

CARRIED

**5. MINUTES OF NOV.15, 2015 MEETING**

Motion to approve and adopt minutes moved by Richard and seconded by Craig.

CARRIED

**6. MATTERS ARISING FROM MINUTES**

none

## **7. TREASURER'S REPORT**

David Young reported a balance of \$11,011.43 See attached treasurer's report. Money will be dedicated to signage and to our educational event.

Motion to approve the report moved by Dave and seconded by Alex.

CARRIED

## **8. EXECUTIVE REPORT**

**a.** GSWA sent a letter to Mayor & Council in Nov. asking when the Ramsey Lake watershed study was to commence.

**b.** A letter was sent to Mayor & Council in Dec. stating that GSWA urges the re-greening of the former St. Joe's parking lot.

**c.** The new Watershed Advisory Panel (WAP) has had 3 meetings and plan to take a prominent role in the upcoming watershed studies.

## **9. OLD BUSINESS**

### **a. Presentation to Mayor**

Jillian has put together a 20min presentation about who we are, what we've done, where we are going, and then the Mayor speak. The meeting will take place Thursday April 7<sup>th</sup>, from 7-9pm at Living with Lakes Center.

### **b. Green Connect – Nation Builder – Memo of Understanding**

Margaret circulate the memo of understanding for the Board to review. It was decided that Nation Builder is not suitable for the GSWA.

Motion to opt out of Nation Builder moved by Lesley and seconded by Dave.

CARRIED

### **c. Invasive Species report**

Alex gave an update about the "Wash Your Boat" signs that they'd like to launch at the media educational event on Penage Lake, Thursday June 23<sup>rd</sup> (date to be confirmed). The Environmental Services will be purchasing the signs that are to go up on city property. They are 2 feet by 3 feet and stenciled on aluminum. There will be a space on the sign for the Lake Stewardship's logo. All stewardships who are on private property are responsible for the cost of their signs. Committee to come back at next meeting with a price for the sign and poles to mount them as well as a list from the city where they will be installing them. GSWA members who are interested can approach their stewardship group and decide how many signs are needed.

### **d. Rail Safety report**

The original purpose of the report was to send a letter to the Transportation Safety Board. There was discussion around what should and should not be included as some of it did not follow the GSWA's mandate. It was decided to leave out the section about Spills and Cleanups. The committee, Lesley, Elaine and Linda will have a meeting and come up

with a final version to circulate to the GSWA with a deadline of 1 week for comments and then it will be send out.

## **10. NEW BUSINESS**

### **a. Education Event**

Apr. 20, 2016 at Science North from 6:30 to 9:00pm. It will be called Greater Shorelines, Greater Living, and will consist of four presentations and breakout sessions of about 20 minute throughout the evening. The presentations will include City of Greater Sudbury on Love your lake and friendly shorelines, The Sudbury Health Unit on private septic and water systems, the MNRF on invasive species and we are still waiting to hear back from Conservation Sudbury. If we need another session, Lesley suggested Elaine's Rail Safety Report. Each session about 20mins long. Southview Greenhouse donated \$200 for plants that GSWA has offered to plant. There is a poster being made once we get all our supporter's logos including Science North as they are a partner with us. Alex suggested the GSWA should spend some money on advertising of the event to ensure a good attendance.

Motion for GSWA to commit \$2,000 to television and print advertisement for the educational event Builder moved by Lesley and seconded by Larry.

CARRIED

### **b. AGM Mar. 21, 2016**

The AGM will take place Monday, March 21st at the Living with Lakes centre from 7-9pm. Margaret to send out an email to find out who is continuing their term on the Board of Directors and who is resigning. Once that is clear, an email to general membership about possible openings.

## **11. ITEMS ADDED TO THE AGENDA**

### **a. FOCA**

FOCA emailed the GSWA asking if we'd like them to do a presentation at our AGM. It was suggested that they present at our educational event if Conservation Sudbury is not available. Margaret will send an email to FOCA inquiring what they would like to present about.

## **12. ADJOURNMENT**

Chair Margaret McLaughlin adjourned the meeting at 8:56pm.

**Next GSWA meeting is the Annual General Meeting which will take place at the Living With Lakes Centre on Monday, March 21st from 7-9pm.**

Minutes prepared by Shannon Dennie  
see attachments

## Greater Sudbury Watershed Alliance

### Treasurer's Report

February 22, 2016

Date	Description	Debit	Deposit	Balance
<b>2015</b>				<b>11861.31</b>
<b>Mar 24</b>	(Ramsey L. paid 2015-2016 membership during previous treasurer's report)			
<b>Mar 24 - Apr 10</b>	<b>Membership</b> 2)Fairbank 3)Grant 4)VermillionR. 5)Minnow 6)Silver 7)Long 8)Wahnapiatae 9)McFarlane 10)Conserv.Sud.		<b>180.00</b>	<b>12041.31</b>
<b>Mar 31</b>	<b>BMO Bank charges</b>	<b>10.88</b>		<b>12030.43</b>
<b>May 22</b>	<b>Membership</b> 11)Whitewater (Azilda CAN)		<b>20.00</b>	<b>12050.43</b>
<b>May 29</b>	<b>Membership</b> 12)Simon 13)Richard 14)Junction Cr.		<b>60.00</b>	<b>12110.43</b>
<b>June 15</b>	<b>#39 reThink Green</b> yearly membership	<b>50.00</b>		<b>12060.43</b>
<b>July 15</b>	<b>Membership</b> 15)Panache 16)St. Charles		<b>40.00</b>	<b>12100.43</b>
<b>Sep 21</b>	<b>#40 Anishwabe Kweg Water Walk</b>	<b>100.00</b>		<b>12000.43</b>
<b>Oct 5</b>	<b>#41 FederationOfOntarioCottagersAssoc-AssociateMember</b>	<b>125.00</b>		<b>11875.43</b>
<b>Nov 5</b>	<b>#42Gougeon Insurance</b>	<b>864.00</b>		<b>11011.43</b>
<b>2016</b>				

### Cheque Register

Date: February 22, 2016 Cheque No.	Amount	Payee	Purpose
39	50.00	reThink Green	Yearly membership in reThink Green
40	100.00	Anishwabe Kweg Water Walk	Contribution to Water Walk around L. Ramsey
41	125.00	FederationOfOntarioCottagersAssoc-AssociateMember	Yearly membership renewal
42	864.00	Gougeon Insurance Brokers	Directors & Officers Insurance Policy for Oct 29 2015 to Oct. 29 2016 "Year 2 of 3"