



Cordova Lake Cottage Association – 2023 Annual General Meeting

Date: Saturday July 8th at 10 am, at the Cordova Mines Community Centre

Executives Present: Elaine Epp, President (Chair)

Minutes: Clare Matthews

Attendees:

Stu Alcock	Kathleen Gemmill	Jenn Pogue
Lynn Bell	Nancy Grozelle	Sandy Rice
Anne Bertrand	Kelly Harris	Frank Rutledge
Gord Bertrand	John Hockley	Gerald Searles
Wallace Boustead	Wayne Lunau	Bruce St-Hilaire
Paul Carroll	Melanie MacLeod	Sue Tilley
Nina Coutinho	Charlene Malonie	Hank Vandermeer
Dave Earl	Michael March	Troy & Violet Wagenaar
Elaine Epp	Clare Matthews	Sara Wilshaw
Paolina Flicke	Randy Pater	
Gary Gammon	Jeff Peters	

Call to Order (10:05 am):

- Welcome to 2023 CLCA AGM.
- No guest speakers this year (conflict on date).
- Only 1 person to speak at a time.
- Any voting, will be based on majority vote of members in good standing, attending this meeting.

Approve CLCA July 10th 2022 AGM Minutes:

- No discussion, as they were to be reviewed prior to meeting.
- Elaine requested a motion to approve (Moved): Gord Bertrand.
- Elaine requested someone second the motion to approve (Seconded): Nancy Grozelle.
- Motion Carried.

Review CLCA 2022 Financial Statement (Treasurer Report):

- CLCA 2022 Financial Statement (Treasurer Report) still not completed.
- 2022 Regatta raised \$7,621.30 in revenue.
- Balance in account as of December 31st 2022 was \$27,178.40 (FOCA/Office Supplies/Website Management/Prizes = \$1,471.12 + Lake Insurance = \$1,887.84).
- As of July 7th, we have a balance of \$24,659.44 in bank + \$60.00 in cheques to be deposited = \$24,719.44.
- CLCA Membership numbers continue to fall, seeing trend since COVID (2019 = 173, 2020 = 172, 2021 = 167, 2022 = 102, 2023 to-date = 29). Members of the HBM Lake Association have noted overall declining numbers in membership.
- Outstanding - Will need to get Nancy Grozelle to review CLCA 2022 Financial Statement once completed (she volunteered at CLCA 2022 AGM).
- Elaine requested a motion that no external audit required for 2023 fiscal year (Moved): Sandy Rice.
- Elaine requested someone to second that no external audit required for 2023 fiscal year (Seconded): Paul Carroll.
- Motion Carried.
- Need someone to volunteer to do 2023 financial review: Sandy Rice has volunteered.

Elaine discussed the following prior to the 2023 CLCA Elections:

- If we don't get any volunteers, then we will have no option but to dissolve the CLCA which means:
 - No placement of flashing markers, marking the critical above/underwater hazards and the buoys marking the river channel.
 - No testing of water quality through the Ontario Lake Partners Program.
 - No annual CLCA sponsored Regatta.
 - No CLCA newsletter (twice annually).
 - No CLCA Website.
 - No CLCA support of Cordova Lake Cottage Facebook page.
 - No annual paid membership in the Federation of Ontario Cottagers' Association (FOCA).
 - No annual purchase of CLCA Lake and Director Insurance.
 - No advocacy for waterfront property owners with like/associated organizations and government.

CLCA Elections:

- All four positions are up for election this year, but we are going to go in the following order.
- We will make one motion to approve (Moved/Seconded) after going through all 4 positions.
- Is there anyone interested in or does someone want to nominate someone for Treasurer role? Nina Coutinho volunteered for role and was acclaimed.

- Is there anyone interested in or does someone want to nominate someone for Secretary role? Sue Tilley and Kathleen Gemmill volunteered to share the role and were acclaimed.
- Is there anyone interested in or does someone want to nominate someone for Vice President role? Nancy Grozelle volunteered for role and was acclaimed.
- Is there anyone interested in or does someone want to nominate someone for President role. Current incumbent Elaine Epp is willing to stay on in the role. Elaine was acclaimed.
- Someone to make a motion to approve all 4 positions (Moved): Melanie MacLeod.
- Someone second the motion to approve all 4 positions (Seconded): Paul Carroll.
- Motion Carried.
- Also looking for someone to volunteer to manage CLCA newsletter (twice annually, around Thanksgiving and May 24 weekends). Jen Pogue and Paolina Flicke volunteered to share the role.
- Also looking for someone to volunteer to help manage water testing (the only lake in HBMLA that does e-coli testing is Belmont Lake, all others just do Ontario Lake Partners Program, which includes phosphorous and clarity). Wayne Lunau volunteered to help with the water testing.

Events:

- CLCA 2023 51st Regatta:
 - Regatta Sub-Committee from last year graciously offered to run this year's regatta (Elise Francis, Annette Vance, Jennifer Campin).
 - Saturday August 5th Noon – 4pm at FR57 “Beach Road” (North End) – Rain Date Sunday August 6th.
 - Free BQ.
 - Kid's Games, Bouncy Castle, Races/Relays.
 - Horseshoe Tournament, Rib Cook-off, Bake-off, Photo Contest, Colouring Contest (requires pre-registration).
 - Fishing Derby is back this year
 - Merchandise (Hoodie's \$40, Hats = \$20, Sports Bottles = \$5)
 - Silent Auction – looking for donations, please email cordovaregatta@gmail.com
 - Raffle (1 tkt = \$10, 3 tkts = \$25 & 10 tkts = \$50)
 - 1) Napoleon Fire Table
 - 2) Adirondack Chairs (Set of 2 black)
 - 3) Custom Cordova Lake Cornhole Game
 - Flotilla will be on Sunday August 6th, Regatta Sub-Committee will be sending out more details shortly.

New Business:

- A few items suggested at last year's AGM haven't been investigated (stickers to identify paying members, stickers for boat trailers being parked at south-end).
- At HBMLA meeting, Elaine found out that Crowe Lake gives out stickers to paying members (can have dialogue with their executive committee to see how they manage it).

- Numerous comments made around the South End parking lot and boat tie off / area:
 - Approximately 10 trailers seem to be parked in trailer parking area all summer long.
 - Lack of parking, especially on long weekends.
 - Lack of room for boat access cottagers to park their boats (seems to be more pontoon boats parking versus smaller aluminum boats).
 - Seem to be getting more day-trippers as it is so easy through social media for people to search for lakes and boat launches (we have no control of this).
 - The land is owned by Ministry Natural Resources and Forestry (MNRF) and they won't police it.
 - Any work on MNRF property requires permits, which can be time consuming to obtain.
 - Over the course of the AGM meeting, we had the following people volunteer for a CLCA Sub-Committee to investigate and come up with some suggestions (Mike March, John Hockley, and Dave Earl). Troy Wagenaar also volunteered some labour to help out with any work, if required, after proper permits obtained.
- No new business communicated with Executive Committee for this year's CLCA AGM.

Round Table / Items of Concern:

- A few ideas were brought forward to possibly help out with falling CLCA membership numbers:
 - Posting thank yous on Cordova Lake Cottagers Facebook Page to those that have paid, and reminder for folks that haven't paid (due to privacy laws we can't post names).
 - Look into options to pay on-line from CLCA website, even option to automatically renew.
 - Consider some sort of incentive for paying CLCA Dues, in timely manner (e.g., entered into draw for prize, first couple of payees get dues refunded etc.).
 - Secretary to send more email reminders to those that haven't paid.
 - Suggestion that the Executive develop a promotional flyer that members can share with new cottagers.
- Asked if people were not receiving emails from CLCA Secretary (everyone, except 1-2 were receiving them + comment made that it depends on receiver's email provider, as emails could be going into SPAM folder).
- Question was raised regarding the status of the 2022 financial statements. Elaine confirmed that once they had been finalized and approved, they would be shared with the membership.

Adjourn Meeting:

- Elaine thanked everyone for attending.
- Elaine requested a motion to adjourn meeting (Moved): Paul Carroll.
- Elaine requested someone second the motion to adjourn meeting (Seconded): Kathleen Gemmill.
- Carried.
- Meeting adjourned at 10:40 am.