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Fire boat with resuscitation unit discussed.

David Milne suggested that fire fighting equipment due to high capital investment, must move slowly as in a pilot project to convince majority of cottagers of usefulness and feasibility.

There is a need to raise funds toward fire protection and appeal to cottagers association for additional funds to achieve this goal.

10 / person.

A newsletter is to be circulated among membership outlining the pilot project, the selection of a central, non-biased location, and the long range plan (goal, capital investment and training).

Fire protection newsletter in fall.

Winter newsletter for membership.

Letters should be addressed to Association Post Office Box # 639.

Annual Meeting - St Matthews Parish Hall.
15 August, 1981.

- Curtis Toms - Pres.
- Larry Rogolowski - 1st Vice Pres.
- Larry Rogolowski - 2nd Vice Pres.
- Mrs Mary Everden - Treas.
- Frank Hicks - Sec.

19 Cottagers.

read and with no discussion - motion to accept the minutes as read Mary Evenden / Mrs. Mumford carried. At this time - 2 notices of ~~amendment~~ ^{motion} received by the secretary were read.

- a) Article 9 of the Constitution be changed to "Fiscal Year of the Association shall end on the 30th day of June of each and every year. The membership year will coincide"

This will streamline the fiscal reporting and permit an audited statement for the annual general meeting
Mary Evenden / Jim Haddock carried.

- b, Robert Farrell, North Baptiste Lake Road proposed two motions

1) Municipality to post and enforce a speed limit of 20 mph () on the N. Baptiste Road. Ind by Frank Hicks. Discussion arose and further amendment ~~to~~ motion to change speed limit to 30 mph (50 kmh) from Millery Fork to Hog Bay. David Mulne / Mary Evenden Carried.

The amended motion was voted on and carried. Action - The Association is to approach the Municipality / MTC & OPP to implement this motion which received considerable support.

2) Robert Farrell / Larry Rogulski that the Municipality leave the North Baptiste Lake Road as an all ^{weather} gravel surface throughout. The aim of the motion was generally to discourage speed and misuse of trailbikes. The majority generally favoured improvement rather than good gravel surface and was defeated with 1 in favour, 1 abstention.

3. Business Arising from the Minutes.

1) Fire Protection - this topic was of considerable

in a letter distributed to the membership. This letter did not elicit any response and the executive considered this an indication of interest. It was a wrong conclusion based on the interpretation of the letter and poor distribution. A motion was presented by David Melne/Bernie Diotte that a committee be formed and a meeting of interested people be called for harbor day Sat. Sept 5, 1981, 10:00 to formulate plans for fire fighting plans & equipment. Carried.

2) Reassessment - Another highly controversial subject with the membership which started a great deal of discussion. It is apparent that Herschel Township ultimately plans to go ahead with reassessment and the Association should go along with it and watch carefully for points not in our favour. 1) Les Grimshaw, past president of the Association will write a short note of explanation of the assessment process and its implications for the membership. and 2) the Association will send a second letter to Herschel Township Council confirming their objection to assessment.

4) Water level - As the MNR control water levels, the Association will approach MNR to ensure levels are within proper limits.

5. Treasurer's Report was given by Mary Evenden and Mary Evenden/Les Grimshaw accepted/carried.

6. Regatta - Larry Rogulski, chairman extended thanks to staff, Arnold Warden, Camp Ponacka and merchants contributing gifts for prizes. Bernie of York River trader suggested a notice to extend thanks to personnel who made Regatta successful.

nominated the existing list of candidates with the exception of the secretary. Bernie was nominated to this position Larry Rogalski carried.

- 8, Mr. Allan - Northside narrows - complained of poor garbage disposal at public dock at Baptiste i.e. taxes with no benefits.

Association will attend Herschel Turp meeting and bring up this matter.

- 9) Membership fee to remain at \$5.00 Marg Wenden Robert Faust carried.

- 10, Jim Haddow presented latest information on acid rain and water sampling program. Several people complained of localized pollution problems, particularly Dog Bay.

Meeting adjourned 16:03.

Special Meeting Sat Sept 5th 1981

Meeting opened at 10 A.M.

There were 7 members present, and Mr. Ralusion also attended to give his opinion on fire prevention on Baptiste Lake.

Among points raised by members were the following -

Should a pump be available in a boat at a dock, or should a number of drag hoses at various points on the Lake be set up with the fire equipment in those prevention equipment in them? Should this equipment be available to Herschel Fire Dept when needed? Mr. Ralusion pointed out that the department will have a boat on the lake

A falden was passed around showing a suitable pump from Waterous Co. Cost of pump \$975. 50lb pressure. Also need 500 ft of hose at a cost of \$1,000. Also pointed out there are 75-80 ^{cottages} on the Lake with water access only 125-30 with very bad or inaccessible roads, where a boat would be the only way to get to a fire.

Should there be a permanent fire committee? After more discussion a motion was made by Mr Ewenden 12th by Curtis Tom.

"To support Herschell Township Fire Dept. financially toward the purchase of a pump for Baptists Lake."

Vote 5 for 2 against. Motion Carried. Amendment made by Jos Grooms 12th by Mr Faust.

"That the motion was passed with the full knowledge that we are already paying for proposed purchases by taxes."

Vote: 2 for 5 against. Amendment defeated. Other Business.

It was decided some members would attend the council meeting on Oct 10th to bring to attention of council the problem of garbage on the public dock.

Annual Meeting. Aug 14th/82 10:30 AM.

15 in attendance + committee. Minutes of last meeting read.

Discussion.

Concerning speed limits on North Shore Rd. By law they are 80 KPH, as it is not a built up area. Only thing the MTC will do is put

headway had been made about complaints of trail-bikes on North Shore Rd. Mr Maddux suggested that all machines should be encouraged to keep their mufflers in good repair, including snow mobiles in winter time.

Discussion on Fire Protection.

The following points noted by David Milne.

- 1) We now have pump
- 2) We have to raise \$600 by an appeal to members.
- 3) Pump is located on Birch Cliff dock.
- 4) Some members working on boat to carry pump.
- 5) Pump is light and simple to operate.
- 6) Pump is now available to anyone to fight a fire.
- 7) Site should consider purchases of other pumps, for other areas of the lake.
- 8) Members should let their insurance company know of the availability of pump, and so get a reduced rate.
- 9) ~~Members~~ the Committee should look into possibility of donations for pump being tax deductible.

Discussion on Taxes

If we are paying increased taxes we should demand increased services. We are paying taxes on lake front property which technically we don't own because of the 66' road allowance. Mrs McCabe circulated a petition to look into the possibility of purchasing the property, as the residents of Haliburton have already done. The approximate cost to property owners would be \$250⁺. Petition is now at Baptist Lake Marina.

Motion that the report be accepted made by
M Ewender, 2nd Mr Mumford. Carried.

Motion that letter of thanks be sent to Mr McPherson
for his services made by Mrs Ewender, 2nd David Milne.
Carried.

Regatta discussion.

John Tom apologized for disorganization, but
that lessons had been learned for following years.
Mrs Ewender reported \$123 collected.

Report on acid rain by Mr Hudson.

Water tests made in 81 at 50' & 100' depth. No
serious sewage problems evident. Test on Diamond,
Elephant & Baptiste Lake very good. Because of
limestone reaction these 3 lakes can absorb
acid rain, whereas some other areas are not
so lucky. PH factor explained to members
on a scale of 0-14 during 81/82 readings
ranged from 6.885 - 7.051 which is near
perfect. Trout can live at 5.55
Perch, Rock Bass 4.5 - 5.

Try to discourage people to allow detergents
from entering lake. A list of brand name
detergents detrimental to lake are listed in
latest edition of Cattage's Magazine.

Election of new officers

David Milne nominated for President by C Tom 2nd D Roberts
1st Vice John Tom Mary Ewender 2nd C Tom
2nd - Dave Roberts C Tom - M. Ewender.

Membership Committee will be set up on Salient
Day Week-end.

Informal Executive Committee meeting held in cottage of Dave Milne Lakeau week-end 1982.

Discussion abt money raising & suggestions.
Raffle tickets? 6 tickets per table for \$5⁰⁰. Need
Lobby prizes? Suggestions - TV, Corset & paddles, Propane
1939. Outboard motor etc! Tom tells may be approached
to do this for his advertising purposes! Curtis (John) Tom
promised to look into prizes. Auction sale? Members could
donate items for sale.

To join the "Federation of Cottagers Assoc" would cost \$35 per
year + 50 cents per member.

Benefits to belonging to this group would include; they would
act as a lobby group for us, give advice on pollution etc, hold
seminars, send news letters, cottager magazines. Dave Milne
promised to approach executive secretary Shugler.

Send use by ministry! Mineral potential is high in
Baptiste Lake. We do not own mineral or timber rights.
Should a letter be written to ministry?

What to do about pollution: - Take accurate lake
samples from several points on lake. Send samples to
Dept of Health in Banquet & get reports back. Dave
Palents promised to look into this.

Curtis Tom arranged to send gift to Jim Madelaw as
his wife recently passed away.

New Membership

Wendy Tom responsible for Redfern Bay.

Margaret Evende. ————— LaSalle Bay.

Curtis Tom ————— North Shore.

Jim Madelaw

Dave Palents ————— across from 1315 Janet.

Map to be up-dated. Location of resorts & cottages to be marked. Mark dangerous stumps. (Perhaps township is responsible for this?). Mottos should be raised with council. Campsites or lake? Off-road campsites? Vandalism?

Municipal election: - Should we support certain candidates. Keep in mind cottagers pay $\frac{2}{3}$ of tax in Herschel Township. 66' parcel allabone?

Meeting adjourned 12³⁰. A meeting arranged for Thanksgiving week-end when a report on the regatta would be given!

Annual Meeting August 13, 1983
St. Matthews Parish Hall

30 members present

Special guests: John Casselman and Conrad Kelly (Herschel Twp Councilors)

1. David Milne, Association President, presented historical review of lake levels. Present concerns include damage to docks during the winter/spring of 1983. Ministry of Natural Resources booklet "Land Use Guidelines" outlines water use priorities for Baptiste Lake.
2. Fire pump - now located at Ed Burton's dock directly across from Baptiste Lake Marina. David Milne thanked Jim Huddow for his donation of a fire boat.
3. Success of the 1983 regatta was due to the

might be changed to a Saturday to allow for a Sunday postponement. The generous support of the 50 or so Bancroft and local businesses was noted and the Association extends its thanks. Suggestion was made that horseshoe pitching be added to the events.

4. Don McMichael outlined the increasingly successful sailing program that is developing on the lake. He extended invitation to all sailors and explained how handicapping gives all equal chance.

5. Discussion of water purity indicated that purity levels change drastically within short distances and over short periods of time. Continuing testing will be conducted.

6. Councilor Conrad Kelly suggested that the Association write a letter to Township requesting assistance in extending the fire pump system on the lake.

7. David Milne called for volunteers to meet and draft a proposal for fire pump coverage of the entire lake.

8. Motion: that an open meeting be held on May 24 weekend (1984) to design a calendar of events for the summer.
 - moved — Don McMichael
 - carried seconded Les Grimshaw
 - carried

9. Motion: that an annual booklet be published

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- moved - David Robertson
 - seconded - Bob Radford
 - carried

10 In response to questions, the Township Councilors stated that this was the first year of a 5 year plan to rebuild the South Baptiste Road and bring it to highway standards. The North Baptiste Road has received \$10,000 in improvements to date and more will be spent in the future.

11. Various possibilities of marking lake channels and/or stumps were discussed. Conrad Kelly (Councilman and guest) suggested that the Association express its interest in this matter to Township.

12 NOTICE OF MOTION:

that at the next annual meeting, members will vote on changing the Association name from "Baptiste Cottagers and Resort Owners Association" to "The Baptiste Association".

13. Concern about lake levels was stressed. The Ministry of Natural Resources is looking for a permanent resident to monitor the water level gauge at the dam on a daily basis.

14 Motion: that a strongly worded letter be sent to the Ministry of Natural Resources regarding concern about chaotic variance in water levels and that a letter be

moved: Les Grimshaw
 seconded: Mary McMichael
 carried

15 Concern about the condition of the dump on South Baptist Road led to a request that members consider a means of providing some control over the dumping.

16 Election of new executive:

Immediate Past President	- Curtia Toms
President	- David Milne
1st Vice President	- David Robertson
2nd Vice President	- Ray Brown
Treasurer	- Margaret Evenden
Secretary	- Tony Lewis

Directors:

Bob Redford
Wally McColl
Jim Haddock
Bryn and Ann Rennie
Lrene Mumford
Don McMichael

17. Motion: that \$5.00 membership be retained.
 moved: Mary McMichael
 seconded: Lrene Mumford
 carried

18 Meeting adjourned at 12:30 P.M.

Executive Meeting - Saturday, Sept. 2/83

1. date for regatta day - Sat. Aug 4, 1984

Banner of + - requesting results of fish survey taken this summer and any plans for stocking

Executive Meeting Sat Sept. 12/83

- Planning for next phases in fire pump placement.
- Jim Waddar and Bryn Kenzie will work up a presentation for Herschel Township meeting.
- a page on fire pump operation and location will be included in the next newsletter.
- the present pump is the best type
- demonstrations are desirable
- 4 pumps are planned with locations:
 1. on Hay Bay
 2. near Camp Poncke
 3. the main lake and Dog Bay
 4. Lavallee Bay and Blueberry Island
- the next pump (the 2nd one on the lake) should be placed at Camp Poncke
- an immediate letter of notification regarding presentation of plans for fire pump program will be sent to Herschel Township by David Milne.

General Meeting Sat. Aug 21/1984

- St Matthew Church, Baptists

1. Reference to Acid Rain indicated that there is no problem on the lake at this time. However, there is a Mercury problem.

Motion: that David Robertson present a proposal to Herchel Council requesting their support in seeking a grant to enable students under the guidance of the Ministry of the Environment to conduct a water testing study during the summer of 1985

Moved: Irma Drape

Seconded: Margaret Evenden.

Passed.

3. Stump Marking Program - Council has agreed to help if a cottager would supply a boat and motor.

4. Newsletter - two sponsors have requested space in the newsletter. Newsletters could be mailed this fall. Next year letters could be dropped off at private docks.

Motion: that students be hired to canoe lake and to deliver newsletters and to collect membership fees. Three students shall be paid 50 cents for each signed-up member.

Moved by: Reg Brown

Seconded by: Margaret Evenden

Passed

Opposed by: Les Grimshaw

Reg Brown will be responsible for mailing the newsletters this fall

5. Don McMichael and Jim Griffin have available an official map of the lake

6. Regatta - Gordon Flaherty has agreed to help organize the Regatta for 1985. He will investigate the possibility of an old boat

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Minutes of the Annual Meeting held Oct. 6, 1984
at Birch Cliff Lodge

30 members were present

Minutes from the 1983 Annual Meeting were read and adopted.

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motor.

1. In response to widespread concern resulting from the impending sale of land at High Falls by Antero Hydro to Herschel Turp and the planned sale of this land by the Turp to Bancroft which intends to install a power house on the site, the following motion was placed:

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that a letter be sent to Herschel Turp asking them to delay sale of the land purchased from Hydro until Baptist Lake Association has been consulted.

Moved: Jack Vance

Seconded: Jim Waddor

In favour: 16

Against: 4

Passed

2. Attention of the membership was drawn to Bancroft's desire to build a powerhouse at High Falls and to control its operation. If Bancroft controls the dam, cottagers' interests may be sacrificed.

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Gordon Fletcher suggested that individual members of the Association write letters to Herschel Turp, Hydro, and the Ministry

* A committee consisting of Gordon Flegler, Bruce Moravetz and Mrs. Bernice Clulow was struck to follow the powerhouse situation. They will request Top to notify the Association when Bancroft receives the rights to launch a powerhouse study. Among committee interests will be the decision as to appropriate lake level and the aesthetics of the powerhouse.

3 David Milne drew the membership's attention to a booklet called "Cool Water Fisheries Assessment of Banwin, Elephant and Baptist Lakes". The study shows that Bass population is increasing, Muskie population is stable and Pickeral population is stable or declining.

4. Water level could be altered by Martin Zumber, which has authorization from the Huntville

* Engineering Office of the MNR to dam water without special permission in order to suit its own requirements. Martin's struggle to maintain water levels is our struggle

A letter will be sent to MNR stating the Association's concern over potential future action by Martin Zumber together with a request that MNR notify the Association of any change Martin might make in lake level

5. David Milne called for volunteers who would head the 1985 Regatta

6. Fire Protection: The Top Fire Chief is in favour of increased fire protection for the

7. David Milne has written a letter on behalf of the membership to the Honourable Susan Fish requesting a T.V.O. transmitter for Bancroft.

8. Bryan Rennie, David Robertson and David Milne have investigated a Self-Help Program sponsored by the Ministry of Health. The program hires students to sample water. When testing reveals a problem, the Ministry of Health follows up with a detailed study.

Motion: that David Milne conduct a water testing study during the summer of 1985

Moved: Wilf Langdon

Seconded: Jack Vance

Carried

9. The pollution and testing issue created a lot of interest. Following the rejection of a motion from the floor that "students engaged in the pollution control program should be qualified", a second motion was put forward:

Motion: That any study of pollution on Baptush Lake be made by people who are unbiased.

Moved: Anne Rennie

Seconded: Jim Naddow

In Favour: 19

Opposed: 4

Carried

10. The motion to change the name of the Association generated discussion. In response to concern by members, David Milne assured the membership that the name change was suggested for the sake of brevity and all-inclusiveness only. In no way does

Motion: that the Association change its name from The Baptist Cottagers and Resort Owners Association to Baptist Lake Association.

Moved: Bruno Morawetz

Seconded: Bill Redford

Carried

11 Election of Executive for 1984-85

President

Bryanne Kenine

Vice Presidents - First

Frank Wooten

- Second

Gordon Flagler

Secretary

Tony Lewis

Treasurer

Margaret Evenden

6 Directors

1. Dr Bruno Morawetz
2. Dr Cathy Marshall
3. Jim Naddow
4. Reg Brown
5. Ross Visoff
6. Jack Vance

Minutes of the Annual Meeting held Aug 16/85 at St. Matthews Church, Baptist-Baptist Lake Assoc.

50 members present, special guests from Diamond Lake Assoc.ⁿ - Bruce Montgomery and Joseph Smith

1. Minutes of the Oct. 6, 1984 meeting were read and accepted

Moved - Wilf Langdon

Seconded - Gordon Flagler

Carried - unanimous

2. Marg Evenden presented the Treasurer's Report - report adopted

Moved - Marg Evenden

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3. ^(*) Gordon Flagler presented an overview of the proposed power generating project at High Falls which would provide power to Bancroft. Included in the overview were a history of the land acquisition and a list of concerns raised by the feasibility study. These concerns include possible lowering of Lake Baptiste water levels, an environmental impact on the areas above and below the Falls, and a reduction of flow at the Falls. Construction of required roads, power lines, and equipment would destroy the natural beauty, and tight budgeting required if the project is to be economically feasible would prevent expensive measures that would help to make the project visually appealing.
4. ^(*) The Committee on Water Levels comprising Gordon Flagler, Jack Vance and Rose Viscoff drew attention to the list of 4 priorities on page 31 of the booklet: Bancroft District Land Use Guidelines. In reference to that list and to the proposed power project they emphatically stated the need for local control of the dam. From the suggestion by Mr. Don Demelin that a petition be circulated expressing the Association's opposition to the Bancroft Hydro Project, the following motion developed:
 Motion: That this Association attend Herschel Township Council Meeting stating our complete opposition to the building of a power station at Lower High Falls and that Council be asked to pass a motion endorsing this view and taking all necessary actions to oppose the Power Project at High Falls
 Moved - Bruno Morawetz
 Seconded - Al Loney
 Carried - unanimous
5. The President of the Association expressed our gratitude and appreciation for the work Cathy Marshall and her committee did in organizing this year's regatta.
6. David Milne drew the Association's attention to the ward

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appreciation of Jim's contributions. In his report for the year Jim reported that the visibility disc which disappeared at a depth of 13 feet in 1984, disappeared at a depth of 9 feet this summer. Membership expressed unprecedented concern about water purity and stated a strongly felt desire to punish polluters.

Motion: That if we suspect a party is pumping raw sewage into the Lake, the Association will report the offender to the appropriate authorities.

Moved by - Glistis Keston-Saul

Seconded by - Bruno Morawety

Carried - unanimous

7. Ann Kennie publicized the O.P.P.-sponsored crime prevention measures - focusing on identification of property items using a registered ownership number.

8. The President raised the issue of development on the lake. There was concern of over the acquisition of land in the High Falls area by a professional developer. The following motion developed:

That the Association officially register by letter to the Clerk of Herschel Township its opposition to the rezoning of lands in the High Falls area.

[By-law # 418-85]

Moved by - Al Zoney

Seconded by - Judy Vance

Carried - unanimous

9. Guests Bruce Montgomery and Joseph Smith from the Diamond Lake Association advertised a petition requesting that the Ministry of Transportation and Communication, or failing that, Hastings County take over jurisdiction of the South Baptiste Road.

10. The matter of membership was raised. It was unanimously felt that the Association must gain power through larger membership.
 Motion: That a membership and fund-raising committee be formed to increase membership and provide an adequate level of operating funds.

Moved by - Jack Vance

Seconded by - Gordon Flagler

Carried - unanimous

Volunteering for membership in the committee:

Tom Beckett

Dave Bernaski

Dwight Binch

Reg Brown

Don Demelia

Klaus Jeske

Cathy Marshall

Alistair Ralston - Saul

Ross Viscoff

Motion - That the Association membership fee be \$10.00 with an annual review effective 1986.

Moved by: Tom Beckett

Seconded: Ann Kennie

Carried: unanimous

11. Election of Officers for 1985-86

Past President - Bryn Kennie - President Cathy Marshall

1st Vice President - Jack Vance - 2nd Vice P. Gordon Flagler

Secretary - Tony Lewis - Treasurer - Margaret Evenden

Directors - Bruno Morawetz

Joe Marshall

Ross Viscoff

Alistair Ralston - Saul

David Milne

Al Loney

Dave Bernaski

Tom Beckett

Regatta Chairman - Dwight Binch

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Executive Meeting Minutes Saturday October 12/86
 Present: Ross Viscoff, Cathy Marshall,
 Mary Evenden, Dwight Binch, David Milne,
 Joe Vance, Tony Lewis

1. Kevin Ivan Fowler wrote a letter from Gordon Flayler expressing the Association's specific objection to the dam.
2. Proposal that each Executive member contribute one hundred dollars towards legal fees for the O.M.B. hearing into the development of cottage lots near High Falls.
3. Cathy Marshall and Joe Vance will meet with Horton Johnston, an Onillia lawyer to plan strategy for the hearing.
4. A letter will be sent to cottagers requesting financial support and informing of Lake highlights.
5. Next meeting: Monday January 6/87, Joe & Cathy Marshall's
 5 Criderwood Avenue, Thornhill, L3T W44, 416-881-1218

1st *

Executive Meeting Minutes August 30, 1986
 Present: Cathy Marshall, Dan Milne, Ross Viscoff,
 Gordon Flayler, Mary Evenden, Tom Beckett, Joe Marshall,
 Al Loney, Dwight Binch, Dave Bernaschi, Dr Bruno
 Morawetz, Tony Lewis

1. Executive favours co-operating with Herschel Kate Payers Association when interests coincide, but Association opposes widening its name.
2. The need to have Herschel Top express its agreement with the Association on its stand concerning the Bancroft Paves Project was stressed. Ivan Fowler will be approached.
3. Herschel Top Meeting monitors - Sept - Oct. Dr Bruno Morawetz
 November David Milne, Ross Viscoff
4. Dwight Binch will go to Herschel Top and research the method severance and rezoning were carried out [4/8-85]
5. Association will join F.O.C.A.

- 7 Notice of Motion to discuss rental by MNR for
boathouses.
- 8 Association will actively pursue expansion of
membership and growth of Treasury.

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Sept. 2, 1986

Minutes of Annual General Meeting (AGM) for 1986

The meeting was held at 10:00 a.m. Saturday, August 16, 1986 in the United Church Hall at Baptiste Village, and was chaired by Cathy Marshall, President of the Baptiste Lake Association (BLA). About 50 members and interested parties were present.

Minutes of 1985 AGM

The Acting Secretary (Jack Vance) noted highlights of the last meeting and these were generally accepted.

Activities During Past Year

The President noted major developments in the past year respecting:

- (i) our partially successful opposition to the proposed rezoning of land near High Falls dam,
- (ii) the successful Regatta on the August long weekend,
- (iii) the fact that the BLA had developed a list of property owners/users on the Lake (and "coded" them as to location by dividing up the shoreline into numbered sections), and
- (iv) this list was used in a fundraising drive last Spring. Donations to date are \$3,000 plus.

Treasurer's Report

The Treasurer, Margaret Evenden, provided a summary of the BLA's financial situation to date (see attached). She moved acceptance of this report, seconded by Ross Viscoff, and the motion carried.

Discussions with the Reeve Ivan Fowler

- (i) Water Levels - Reeve Fowler believes the agreement of 1931 respecting water levels (recalled by some members) was subsequently changed by/with the Ministry of Natural Resources so that a minimum lake level was established. He didn't mention a maximum level.
 - (ii) Power Generating Station at High Falls - The recent interest in the potential for establishing a generating station at High Falls comes from the Ontario Ministry of Energy, and Reeve Fowler has set up a meeting with officials of that Ministry near the end of August to see and discuss their proposals. The members were decidedly against such a generating station being implemented, and the Reeve has taken this position in the past.
- It was thought that the only two candidates that could bring such a proposal into being are MNR, which owns the dam structure, and Herschel Township, which owns the land (the Village of Bancroft which initiated the original feasibility study for the generating station seemed to be out of their jurisdiction and therefore could only act through MNR or Herschel, if at all).

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(iii) Fire Protection - The Township has agreed to supply a floating fire pump to be housed at Dan Bisson's on the lower (Lavalley) part of the Lake. This will be maintained by the Herschel Volunteer Fire Department. The BLA will supply one to be housed at Birch Cliff Lodge (a third one is already housed at Camp Ponacka in West Bay). It was suggested that special signs be erected on the Township Roads and the Lake Shore adjacent to each site where a pump is housed, in order to indicate their existence and location.

(iv) Roads - The Reeve reported that paving of the reconstructed portions of both the North and South Baptiste Lake roads would be completed in late August. He said that reconstruction of the South Baptiste Lake Road westerly from Bowers Point Road would be undertaken next year (he said the whole program of \$600,000 or so cost was being undertaken over a 3 year period).

Election of BLA Executive

A slate of Officers and Directors of BLA for the coming year was presented and additional names were discussed as candidates (pending their acceptance). It was moved by David Milne, seconded by Wilf Langdon that the following constitute the BLA Executive for 1985-1986:

President:	Cathy Marshall
Vice President:	Gordon Flagler
Treasurer:	Margaret Evenden
Secretary:	Jack Vance
Immediate Past President:	Bryn Rennie
Directors:	Lynn Allan
	Dave Biernaskie
	Edith Blakely-Jackson
	Al Loney
	Joe Marshall
	David Milne
	Bruno Morawetz
	Alistair Ralston-Saul
	Rae-Anne Reynolds
	Ross Viscoff
	Dan Griffin

Membership Drive

As chairman of the Membership and Fundraising Committee, Jack Vance reported that a membership drive was now underway and that members of his committee were canvassing the various sections of the Lake to speak to property owners/users and/or to drop off a letter and form soliciting membership. About 75% of the properties on the Lake have now been assigned to individual canvassers, and additional canvassers were requested to volunteer from those present in order to cover the remaining 25%.

Fiscal Year End

The Executive for 1985-86 requested that the Association's fiscal year be changed to the calendar year instead of from annual meeting to annual meeting (August to August). The latter was seen to be confusing to both existing and prospective members. Ross Viscoff moved and Bruno Morawetz seconded that the BLA fiscal year start January 1, beginning January 1, 1987. The motion carried.

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Membership Fee

An annual membership fee of \$20 was proposed by the Executive for 1985-86 (as opposed to the previous fee of \$10). It was explained that this was necessary on several bases:

(i) Revenues raised by the Association in previous years were not now capable of supporting the activities of BLA. This became most apparent in the last year when we were faced with an OMB hearing over the proposed rezoning of land above High Falls, and couldn't afford to hire a lawyer to assist us.

(ii) Rather than making an appeal for a special contribution to build up funds as was done last Spring, it was proposed that through a combination of increased membership and higher annual fees an adequate level of funding for our activities could be attained on an ongoing basis.

(iii) The proposed \$20 fee is less than that levied by similar Associations on other large lakes in the area, and if inflation were taken into account, since the \$5 annual fee was established this proposed \$20 fee is not out of line (low, if anything).

A motion to increase the Annual membership fee to \$20 was made by Lloyd Nourse, seconded by Bruno Morawetz. The motion carried.

Membership List for Commercial Purposes

It was noted that requests had been made to the Executive to make the Association's list of Lake property owners/users available to commercial users for a fee. Various opinions were expressed pro and con. A motion was made by Bruno Morawetz, seconded by Jenny Gwilliams, that the Executive be empowered to establish a procedure to be available to commercial enterprises for a fee (to be set, plus costs for making a mailing), provided that certain requirements were met - including a note on our membership form where the member could indicate if they wished to receive such mailings or not.

The motion was defeated on a close vote (for 12, against 14).

Herschel Island - Proposed Rezoning

David Milne, owner of Herschel Island and Birch Cliff Lodge, requested the BLA support his application to rezone this island to Resort Commercial, and to provide a letter to that effect. It was noted that this island was previously used for resort purposes, that Birch Cliff would limit the number of guests to 48, and there was no intention to apply for a liquor licence to allow the sale of any type of alcoholic beverage to the general public (excludes guests).

Bruno Morawetz moved, and Wilf Langdon seconded, that the BLA support a rezoning to re-establish Herschel Island as a resort. Motion carried.

Identification of an Owner's Location on the Lake

It was noted that many times members were asked where a particular person's cottage/residence/business was located on the Lake, and that there was some sort of a list or map indicating this information available a number of years ago. A motion was made by Bruno Morawetz and seconded by Wilf Langdon, that the Executive consider establishing and making available to members such a list/map which would indicate the person's name (only) and general location on the Lake (by the numbered shoreline sections as described previously). The motion carried.

History of Baptiste Lake

Bob Lyons, a writer for the Bancroft Times and North Hasting Scandalizer, was present and noted that he had just completed a history of the Whitney area in booklet form and that he was considering doing the same thing for the Baptiste Lake area. He was interested in hearing from members respecting historical facts concerning the area and happenings connected with it, and they could contact him in Bancroft through P.O. Box 1473 or telephone (613) 332-1457. Margaret Fell offered that the first cottage lot on the Lake was bought by her late father, Lorne Reid, in 1911.

Municipal Voting Day

Jack Vance noted that the City of Toronto had just made a submission to the Ontario commission now studying municipal election procedures requesting that voting day be moved from mid/late November to early October. He also noted that this was in line with the Municipal Action Committee's suggestion that BLA make a submission requesting that the voting day be moved far enough ahead so that cottagers could at least have an advance poll on Thanksgiving weekend. Lloyd Nourse moved, and Bruno Morawetz seconded, a motion that the Executive request the voting day be moved to October 3. The motion carried.

J.V.
Jack Vance,
Secretary

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Baptist Lake Association
Financial Statement 1985-86

	Acct. No.	
Balance June 30, 1985	363-15	\$ 560.39
	14097-27	<u>695.53</u>
		\$ 1255.92
<u>Income</u>		
Regatta	\$ 164.75	
Membership	1319.50	
Firefighting	484.00	
Donations	26.90	
Special Fund	2625.00	
Acct. 1409727 - Bank Interest	67.56	
Exchange	<u>26.63</u>	
	\$ 4714.34	<u>4714.34</u>
		\$ 5970.26
<u>Expenses</u>		
Insurance	\$ 120.00	
Regatta	179.07	
Acct. 363-15 - Bank Charges	13.00	
Bank Cheques	32.20	
Rent	50.00	
Repayment Loans ('82)	400.00	
Lawyer	519.37	
Printing, Mailing	<u>456.62</u>	
	\$ 1860.16	<u>1860.16</u>
	Balance	4110.10
Bank Balance June 30, 1986		
Acct. No. 363-15		\$ 127.88
" 1409727		<u>3982.22</u>
		\$ 4110.10