

Minutes of Annual Meeting

August 21, 1976

The annual meeting of Baptiste Cottagers & Resort Owners Association was held in St. Matthew Church Hall on Saturday August 21, 1976.

Mr. Frank Hicks, President, called the meeting to order at 1:30 pm with minutes presented including acting Secretary Ann Runnings & Jarry Franck Treasurer & Jonella Bluker, Dougall Bluker, Margaret Fell, Susan Germain, Mary Murphy, Jim Haddow, Annie Hicks, James Russell, Norma Eaton, Jessie Duncan, Reg. Lanning, Arnold Warden, Bill Redford, Edward Tabruk, Mary McMichael, Don McMichael.

The minutes of the previous annual meeting were read. Moved by Dougall Bluker & seconded by Mrs. Fell that the minutes be accepted as read & carried.

Mr. Jim Haddow, speaking as Ruler of Herchel Township, reported that the public dock at Baptiste was originally built for the use of those who had water access only to their properties. Now it has become a depository for garbage, trash, old boats etc. & is congested with traffic & monopolized by a small group of people. The Provincial government had been interested in renovations but the Federal government shows a increased interest in building a pier & a 10,000 square foot parking lot nearby for the convenience & use of tourists. When completed little or no maintenance would be required for 50 or 60 years.

At present there is no supervision in this area. "Use at Own Risk" signs are to be posted as the area

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by Mrs
Michael

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recently provided there is very useful for boats & snowmobiles alike.

Mr. Haddaw also reported that there will be a meeting on Monday, August 23rd at 2 pm. in the High School in Bancroft regarding zoning. The zoning by-law has been in effect since 1974 regarding property lot size & distance from water & lot lines required for erecting buildings. The by-law will remain basically the same but with a few revisions & will be uniform throughout the county of Hastings.

The building inspector currently passes plans for proposed buildings which conform with the regulations for lot size & the distance from water. In the case of a property lot not meeting standard specifications, a "Committee of Adjustments" is being formed to represent the public to inspect these "below standard" properties. These committee members must be residents of the area & will be paid travelling expenses & a fee per assignment. The members will consist of laymen or non-professionals but will possess the insight & general knowledge required to make recommendations to council as to the feasibility of construction on these "problem lots." A course to be held in Belleville will provide the members with information to familiarize them with situations & solutions in these matters. The committee is not subordinate to council but is expected to relieve some council time previously spent on such matters.

On substandard lots, buildings must be placed 10% of the lake frontage from each boundary or in a 100 ft. lake frontage lot, 10 feet inside each boundary.

Tom Gull is to be a member of the "Committee"

As a point of interest, there are approximately 870 people living in the township of Herschel & over 1300 in cottages areas of the township.

Correspondence

Mr. Hicks reported that a letter from the Biology Officer at the Ministry of the Environment in Kingston indicates weeds & snails in our waters are not detrimental but recommends the self help program which Doug White is carrying out. A representative from the ministry will survey the water, weeds & sputic tank systems in late 1976 or in 1977. Baptiste lake being a large lake will require extensive time. Mr Hicks is to confer with Mr. White as to whether he is able to carry on the water testing or if someone else should.

Treasurer Report

The balance as at August 16, 1975 was \$1,270.47.

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| Income | \$ 524.94 |
| Paid membership | 292.00 |
| Bank interest | 34.94 |
| Regatta | 198.45 |
| | 525.39 |
| Expenses | |
| Stationery | 76.59 |
| Postage | 35.16 |
| Fishing Derby | 79.43 |
| Regatta | 112.49 |
| Rot. Ind. Ins | 20.00 |
| Red Cross | 100.00 |
| Donation - St Matthews Church | 20.00 |

Mrs. Hull moved to adopt the report as read.
 Seconded by Howard Gabriel
 carried

Committee Reports

The President reported the repair completion of
 buoys for the regatta by Jerry Fringos.

Fish + Game

Reg Kanning reported that the results of a survey
 showed 6-8 inch Small Mouth bass which would
 indicate an increase in population & a decrease in
 Rock bass. A supply of Small Mouth bass was
 introduced into the lake in the past year & 100,000
 Musky fry also were added. The streams nearby
 have been stocked with Brook trout. Another
 survey indicated a marked lack of pickrel
 with average fishing time for catching one pickrel
 being thirty hours. Pickrel spawning beds are to
 be cleaned out to encourage reproduction. A
 request to ban Musky catching was rejected by
 the authorities.

Rock Bass Derby

Mr. Gaddow reported that the children enjoyed
 themselves & were served pop & ice cream. Plaques were
 awarded as prizes & were replicas of the original plaque.
 The catch was upwards of 200 pounds.

Regatta

The regatta was held on August 1st at Camp
 Makwan & as reported was the usual success with
 only one incident which took place during the
 power boat race & which may result in a
 revision of the rules for this race which will be

be awarded the disarming lady as this is an event of great fun & interest.

Frank Hicks is to send a letter to the Bancroft Times & direct to the Bancroft merchants in appreciation of their generous donations to the regatta.

Jany Yanch is to enquire about liability insurance for the regatta.

Sailing Races

Don McMichael reported that he was unable to hold weekly races as he had so intended. The yearly sailing event was held regatta day & was successful due to good winds. However the "wit boat" event had only one entry & after completing the required course, the entrant was awarded the Bancroft Sports Marine trophy. In future this trophy will be awarded as a seasonal point trophy. A few words of appreciation went to Arnold Warden for hosting the sailing race at Birch Cliff Lodge.

* Water Levels

Mr. Hicks reported water levels to be in accordance with the range agreed upon years ago as indicated in yearly records available at the Ministry of the Environment.

Bill Redford moved to nominate Floyd Nurse as head of the Water Level Committee.

This was seconded by Don McMichael
carried

Elections

Arwin Germain reported that it was impossible to fill a date of candidates for

It was moved by Mrs. Canning that the present executive remain in office for another term & this was seconded by Mrs. Blaker.

The secretary cast the ballot & the motion carried.

Re-elected officers are as follows:

President - Mr Frank Hicks
 1st Vice Pres - Don McMichael
 2nd Vice Pres - Mr. Edwin Germain
 Treasurer - Jarry Yanck
 Secretary - Jim Cummings

Area representatives were not present.

New Business

Mr. Germain moved to amend the by-law of the Association regarding approval for treasury transactions as the current wording "all disbursements be approved by the executive council" was not being carried out as stated. Mr. Germain moved that "executive council" be changed to read "Treasurer & President." This was seconded by Mrs. Blaker

carried

It was moved by Mrs. Blaker & seconded by Bill Rydprd that a donation of \$20.00 be sent to St. Matthews church in appreciation for the use of the hall for the annual meeting.

carried

Mrs. Hill passed on the appreciation of the

Only \$260.00 remain outstanding thanks to the aid of the local council, Front Red Cross & previously raised funds & donations from cottage associations & service clubs. Total cost of the renovations was \$54,000. The annual Red Cross canvass will be held in October instead of March as roads are in better condition for canvassing.

Mr. Haddow moved a \$100 donation be sent to the Red Cross ^{Society} & this was seconded by Jim Russell

carried

It was decided that a Regatta committee comprising of Don McMichael, Jerry Finch, Reg Lanning & volunteers would undertake the plans for the 1977 regatta.

It was moved by Don McMichael that the 1977 annual meeting be held at 10 a.m. rather than the afternoon to encourage a larger attendance although this ~~may~~ may prove inopportune for most hours to attend due to the Saturday morning hangover in district.

Also proposed was a circular advertising the annual meeting be sent around with the boys from Penaka as they deliver their open house flyers.

Seconded by Mrs. Germain

carried

Frank Hicks is to contact the authorities regarding the poor grading of water access at the public boat launching area on the North Road.

A more informative + updated version of the area map is to be created. Area representatives are to be requested to take a map + call on cottagers for membership while noting on the map the locations cottage owners name. Stumps + rocky water hazards are to be so noted. Upon completion of the information a more complete + useful map will be constructed by Ann + Jim Runnings, Don McMichael + Jerry Yanch.

Alders movement was moved by Jim Russell + seconded by Swin Stronach.

Minutes as recorded by acting secretary

Ann Runnings

August 13, 1977

The annual meeting of the Baptist Cottages & Resort Owners Association was held at Birch Cliff Lodge on Saturday August 13, 1977 at 1 pm.

Mrs. Frank Hicks, President, called the meeting to order at 1 pm. In attendance were sixteen members & non-members including: Don McMichael, Jim Hunning, Arnold Warden, Pamela Hurnshaw, Eric Hurnshaw, Marg McMichael, Marg Carlton, Ann Hicks, Svenker, Bill Sadler, Jarry Finch, James Russell, Jim Haddock, Reg. Canning, Frank Hicks, Ann Hunning & Scott Madenmon.

The minutes of the previous annual meeting were read by Ann Hunning. It was moved by Don McMichael & seconded by Eric Hurnshaw that the minutes be accepted as read.

Carried
Treasurer's Report by Jarry Finch was read & adopted.

(*) A lengthy discussion took place regarding the cause of & the solutions to the problem of weeds in the lake as well as the hazards of logs & stumps. The Ministry of the Environment is currently working on the lake & the weed situation. Mrs. Bill Sadler was requested to advise the Association as to whether chemicals are being used at the Golden Shores area to control weeds.

Topic of new buildings on the lake not meeting regulations as to distance from the lake. Mr. Warden volunteered to attend a council meeting to determine if building inspection is sufficient to comply with present regulations as shown in the master plans & to report to the Association of his findings.

Correspondence

The Department of National Resources wish to be supplied with samples of large & small mouth bass for testing to determine mercury content. Reg. Canning says the Ministry needs a volunteer to store fish as caught & they will collect these frozen samples. A certain section of a fish as specified is all that is required. The Department is testing mushy & pickled from their own samples taken. Mr. Haddow volunteered his freezing facilities as a place of deposit for sample fish.

Committee Reports

Fish & Game

Reg Canning reported more small & large mouth bass being caught. National Resources say this is due to the mushy cleaning out the rock bass. Mr. Canning reported another 19,000 large mouth bass having been added to the lake 1976 & again in 1977. The reason for pickled not reproducing was after their spawning grounds had been

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Water conditions

Jim Haddow took over this department from George White for the testing of water. Mr. Haddow demonstrated the acquiring of water samples by use of a Secchi disk. By dropping the suspended disk in the water until just out of sight & measuring the cord length you then double the length & drop the sample bottle down this distance, thus drawing an accurate sample of water to be tested. You then preserve the sample by adding magnesium carbonate drops, record the type of day i.e. sunny, cloudy & take the sample to Bancroft before 11 AM any Monday, Wednesday or Friday for postal delivery to Kingston & testing. Algae, nutrients (surface runoff or fertilizer) & pollution are determined by these tests. Mr. Haddow takes weekly samples. Although the lake has no present problem, pollution control is necessary & therefore samples from several areas of the lake would provide better control. Mr. Haddow informed us that Bancroft relies on Hydro now & not the York River for its power.

Elections of Officers

Mr. Germain presented the following nominations:

President: Don McMichael
 1st Vice P.: Jim Running
 2nd Vice P.: Arnold Warden
 Treasurer: Margaret Lortox

Bill Sadler moved to accept & this was seconded by Mr. Russell.

The secretary cast the ballot & the motion carried.

Past President, Frank Hicks, thanked those who had helped him during his terms in office & wished the Association future success. He then relinquished the chair to Don Mc Michael.

Regatta

Don Mc Michael reported that Camp Penaha was unable to send representatives as it was the first day of camp. This made more competition between the local cottagers in the day events. The regatta brought in \$150.00.

Sailing

Don Mc Michael said sailing races began in 1973. Point races are held for the Hull trophy. Tasey competition is held the day before the regatta. Three points races had been held to date with one more to go for total points.

New Business

It was suggested that the Association is "dying" because of changing times. There are only 87 paid-up members out of 5 or 6 hundred cottages. Members are needed to make representation to Governments. The constitution was

requires new purpose as twenty years ago this was a fisherman's lake with few cottages & stronger lodges. Since then there are more cottages, swimmers, skiers & sailors & therefore the constitution requires review. Possibly a regional group would be more fitting. A survey of areas should be taken.

Pollution: Pamphlets advertising safety & not polluting should be available for those on the lake although the government keeps a good check on this.

Safety: If members agree to Don McMichael approaching the authorities on revising boating regulations & implementing might speed maximum suggestions & recommendations could be submitted to him for consideration.

More communication & publicity of accomplishments is suggested.

Rig Lanning moved that a pamphlet be sent to each cottage on lake requesting suggestions & informing cottagers of past Association accomplishments. Seconded by Bill Sadler

carried

Jim Haddow moved \$100.00 be donated to the Red Cross Hospital. Seconded by Jim Lunnings

carried

Eric Himschaw moved \$20.00 be given to Arnold Warden to pay for the hall

Jim Haddow moved adjournment.
Seconded by Jarry Finch

carried

Minutes as recorded by secretary

Ann Bunning

Minutes of Executive Meeting
Held at Don McMichael's

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at 10:30 A.M. July 8, 1978

Those in attendance: Don McMichael President,
Ann Runnings Secretary (also representing
Jim Runnings - 1st Vice President, absent due to
business commitments) Reg. Lanning, Jim
Laddow, Marg. McMichael's Miss. Frank
Vicks, Sr. & Jr.

After some discussion it was decided
that a regatta would not be held this
year due in part to the following reasons
A) without volunteers to help in the
organization for a regatta

B) too short a time between now & August
long weekend to plan, organize, collect prizes etc.

Jim Laddow indicated there are outstanding
bills from the regatta of 1977 are yet to be
paid. The current treasurer, Mrs. Marg. Carliton
has not been transferred the Association funds
by the past treasurer, Jany Finch. These past
due bills which include stationery for the
regatta & trophies may make future dealings
with these companies somewhat difficult.

Reg. Lanning reported that a \$10.00
fee which was to be paid by the association
to the boy he hired to clean up the grounds
at Camp Mahwan at the conclusion of
the regatta has not been paid for several
years.

The subject of allowing the Camp Penaha
boy to compete in the regatta was discussed.
Some feel the Corp dominate the regatta &

In opposition to this, Jim Haddow's view is that the regatta put on either the camps "change over day" in which case many of the boys have never been in competition or if not "change over day" the boys have possibly had only one week to prepare & many of the cottagers have been at the lake all summer. Mr. Haddow feels the penaha boys are not taking all the prizes but add interest & entertainment with their war canoes, kayaks, downs etc that are sent to the regatta.

In recent years interest & membership in the association has dwindled. A very small percent of the population on the lake are members. Don Mc Michael is to compose & arrange delivery of a questionnaire to all cottagers to try to determine the feasibility of continuing the association. Questions are to include:

- 1 Do the people want an Association
- 2 Area Associations
- 3 A Regatta
- 4 No Association
- etc.

Compilation of these opinions would be a guide in the continuance of this association.

Meeting adjourned at 12:30 p.m.

Minutes as recorded by secretary

Annual Meeting of the Baptiste Cottages and
Resort Owners Association - St. Matthews Parish
Hall - Baptiste 12 August, 1978.

Attendance - President Don McMichael.
Treasurer Marg. Carlton.
Memberships 28.

After a brief opening remark welcoming people, the meeting came to order at 10:10 with a report of the minutes and the treasurers report. The treasurers report was complicated by late transferral of funds which resulted in some outstanding debts. According to Mrs. Carlton the transfer has been completed and she has approached some of the accounts concerned and everything is satisfactory. A \$30 bill for regatta fee's was brought up by Reg Canning and this will be taken care of.

The usual format of the meeting was dispensed with when Don McMichael tendered his resignation. In the ensuing discussion many faults of the Association were brought forward. Lack of interest in the Association by members, poor attendance at annual meetings, poorly defined aims and objectives of the association (originally - Baptiste Fish and Game Protective Association) and incomplete representation of all users of the lake were cited as the main problems. Several alternatives including changing the name of the Association to include all users of the lake including permanent residents as well as Ratepayers Assoc. similar to the Diamond Lake Association. At present the Baptiste Association has one of the lowest membership fees

The large size of the lake with its many bays and access roads probably resulted in poor communications - that accounted for little of interest as well as information on the workings of the Assoc.

At this stage it became apparent that a name change for the Assoc. as well as a lengthy discussion on the aims and objectives of the Assoc. was not appropriate at an annual meeting and would not be very effective. Jim Haddow was asked whether he would chair a committee to review the aims and objectives of the association. He accepted.

NOTION

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| Mr. Reg Canning moved to commence election of officers - and Eric Grimshaw carried | | |
| President | Eric Grimshaw | (Reg Canning / Mr. Haddow) |
| 1st Vice | Brian Ward | } volunteered. |
| 2nd Vice | Henry Caldwell | |
| Treasurer | Mary Carlton | his Grimshaw / Brian Ward |
| Sec. | Frank Hicks | Mary McMichael / Mr. Haddow |

With the election of officers, the business session began.

Mrs. Haddow suggested a \$50 donation to the Red Cross here. The regatta, water levels in the lake and pollution were other topics of discussion. However as the Association was in a state of reorganization the new executive felt it would be better to hold the concerns of the members until such time as the constitution and reorganization is cleared up.

At this time the work of the constitutional committee was proposed in a formal motion by Eric Grimshaw and seconded by David Schooling. It was carried unanimously and the committee

include mechanisms for implementation where possible. Other members of the committee include Harry Caldwell and Brian Ward. The committee is to meet and report to the executive by Harbour Day - Camp Makuan (2 Sept. 1978 1000.)

If the Association is to have a regatta in 1979, Reg Canning requested that interested persons meet at Camp Makuan on the 1st Sunday of July, 1979.

Mrs. McColl was concerned about boating safety particularly after incidents near her cottage. This problem of boating safety will be discussed within the executive and means set up to distribute literature to the membership.

Reg. Canning outlined the fisheries program of the lake and the muskellunge stocking program.

M. Carlton, Treas. requested authorization to pay St. Matthews parish 20.00 for use of the hall. Henry Ward - Elwood Reed - carried.

A membership drive should be considered by the Assoc. as was proposed in 1977.

Eric Gromshaw proposed that Don McMichael retain chairmanship of the Sailing Committee.

(Reg. Brown - carried).

Harry Ward proposed motion to increase signing power of the Treasurer from 50 - 200. R. Reid carried.

Meeting adjourned 1145.

Executive Meeting - Mrs. J. L. Carlton
1000 19 August, 1978

Attendance Leo Grimshaw Frank Hicks
 Brian Ward Jim Haddock
 Mary Carlton at 1200.

The meeting commenced with the reading of the minutes from the Annual meeting held 12 August, 1978. Matters arising from the minutes as well as general items of interest and concern to the Assoc. were discussed.

1) Harry Caldwell - Brian Ward - that a donation of \$50 be given to the Burncroft Red Cross Hospital.
carried

2) Name change of the Association was held in abeyance until the constitutional committee reports. This subject opened a lengthy discussion on advantages and disadvantages of remaining an Assoc. or assuming Ratepayers status.

3, Boating safety - OPP were notified as to boating safety on the lake. They maintain patrols and are doing the best as time permits. F. Hicks as well as other executives to approach organizations such as MOT for free literature on boating to make up a membership kit.

4, Membership - suggestions to draw attention to the Assoc. among cottagers included - posters at public places, membership kit, and dividing up the lake into areas with representatives. The membership kit would be distributed with a drive next year and would include information on the Assoc., water and boating safety, map of the lake and other information such as groomed snowmobiling trails for winter users. An increase in fees to \$5.00 was agreed upon in principle and will be

5, Snowmobiling and Winter Activities - a discussion on support for winter activities such as trail grooming arose out of a suggestion that the Assoc. become involved in year round activities of the lake.

Committees - Membership made up of area representatives
Regatta - appointment to be made at Constitution meeting Sept. 2/78.

Entertainment - suggestion for dance, weiner roast etc discussed.

Sailing - Don McMichael.

Executive Council - try to obtain regional representatives to make up to Council members.

With the arrival of Jim Haddow, the remainder of the meeting was devoted to the Constitution.

Adjourned 1430.

Special Constitutional Committee Meeting

J. Haddow 1000 Aug 27, 1978.

Attendance - J. Haddow, L. Drumshaw + F. Hitches.

The prime purpose of the meeting was to bring together changes and recommendations to update and modernize the constitution in preparation for the general membership meeting 2 Sept. 1978. Prior to this, some discussion was held on outstanding items such as groomed trail support, membership list for 1979 and the regatta committee. The constitutional changes were incorporated into a rough draft and will be presented for approval and discussion.

adjourned 1400.

General Meeting to discuss Constitution of the Assoc.
Camp Makinahodge - 2 Sept. 1978. (1000 - 1300).

L. Grimshaw Pres.
B. Ward 1st VP.
F. Hicks Sec.
J. Haddow Constitutional Committee Chairman
25 Cottagers and Resort Owners.

The meeting was opened with a welcome from Les Grimshaw and a brief review of the executive meetings since the Annual General Meeting of 19 Aug 1978. (Future plans, membership list and drive for 1979) and the regional representative arrangement to ensure coverage of the lake. Judy Vance of Baptiste has volunteered to cover the village of Baptiste.

At this time the meeting was turned over to Jim Haddow to present the findings of the constitutional committee. The changes to the constitution are listed below with the discussion that arose over the changes.

Article 2: Aims.

b and c replaced by b - to conserve and protect the fisheries and aquatic environment of Lake Baptiste through cooperation with the Ministry of Natural Resources, the Ministry of the Environment and other agencies with legislation that affects water quality, fisheries and the environment.

d to e. to prevent the loss of fry and spawn by maintaining in cooperation with the Public Utilities Commission of Bancroft, the MNR and other interested bodies, the waters of the lake at appropriate levels throughout the year.

e to d

f to e to render the lake attractive by encouragement of such facilities as woods, and public docks etc., through cooperation with Herschel Twp and

Article 3 - Membership.

Membership in the Baptiste Cottagers and Resort Owners Assoc shall be open to cottagers and resort owners who subscribe to the aims of this organization.

Article 4 Fees.

The annual membership fee shall be five (5) dollars.

Article 5 Executive Council

- a) two changes 1) ... consisting of twelve (12) members...
- 2) ... the vice-presidents...

Article 7 - Committees

- b. Fisheries and Environment
- f Regatta
- g Membership.
- f to h.

Article 10 Procedure

Robert's Rules of Order to replace Bourne's Rules of Order.

Article 11 Amendments

a) ... motions to amend the constitution shall have been received in writing by the Secretary at least one (1) month prior to the Annual Meeting...

Having been read, the above was open for discussion and comment...

1) Concerning Article 3 - membership - Mr. Biggs suggested that we be careful in excluding too many potential members. After considerable discussion the group felt

- 2, Arnold Warden suggested that the Executive Council have representation from both the cottage owners and resort owners to be truly representative. Possibly the council should be equal or based on a proportion of the memberships.
- 3, Jim Haddon stated that there was no charter.
- 4, Lloyd Nourse felt that the direct mention of the Bancroft P.U.C. in the constitutional amendment was recognizing their rights to adjust the water level of Baptiste Lake - a right that the previous executives did not recognize in their negotiations with the Ontario Government (Dept. of Public Works). The previous negotiations were brought forward by Bill Biggs and Lloyd Nourse. Arnold Warden felt that the negotiations have been hammered out and the M.N.R. have rules to regulate the water levels, barring flood or drought conditions beyond their control and it remains for the Assoc. to keep in touch with them and make them aware of the Assoc. concern for this serious problem. As wording in the Constitution hinges on the groups participating in the water level negotiations, Eric Brumshaw made a motion to the effect that reference to the Bancroft P.U.C. be deleted until the agreement is available and then the Association will cooperate with the signatories. Seconded by Lloyd Nourse, Carried.
- 5, Due to the cumbersome and time consuming process to bring about changes such as membership fees as well as ability to act in an emergency, it was suggested that the executive be given more flexibility in making changes at other than the general annual meeting. Arnold Warden proposed a motion

by proper notification and quorum for the purpose of making constitutional amendments. (Article 11)
 Secured by Eric Grimshaw, 2 opposed, carried.

6. Pamela Grimshaw proposed motion that mention of the two dollar fee for members be deleted from the constitution and that the executive assess the rate for the coming fiscal year. Second Bill Biggs carried.

7. Doug Williams - an amendment to the motion to replace "assess" with "recommend to the annual general meeting". motion as amended carried.
 - total amended motion - the executive shall recommend to the annual general meeting the membership rate for the coming fiscal year.

7. Scott MacKenzie - motion that the Executive be given authority to incorporate the constitutional changes discussed at the present meeting into a formal presentation to be given at the next annual meeting. Lloyd House - carried.

Other Business

Sailing Committee - Don McMichael gave a short résumé of the workings of the sailing committee, the race structure and the presentation of trophies -
 Vasey - Matthew and Lee McMichael
 Tom Fell Trophy - Eric and Pam Grimshaw.

Jim Hadden is to investigate the cost of engraving and providing miniatures to the winners and past winners.

New Business

conditions on the North Baptists Lake Road that are not only rough but unsafe.

Arnold Warden, a member of Heischel Twp. Council suggested that a member of the works committee attend a council meeting rather than haphazard approach. Doug Williams suggested an ad hoc works committee be set up and examine problems in the area and set priorities.

- 2) Reg. Canning reiterated that members interested in the Regatta should come to a meeting at Makewon on the first Sunday in July. - insert in Newsletter
- 3) Harold Warden suggested that the Assoc. examine the possibility of providing financial assistance to the Kaidash Snowmobile Club for trail grooming, some of which will be in the Baptists area.

A vote of thanks was extended to Reg. Canning for providing facilities for the meeting and the motion was made by Arnold Warden for adjournment. Eric Dromshaw; carried. 12 45.

Annual Meeting - St. Matthews Parish Hall
11 August, 1979.

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| Les Grimshaw | Pres |
| Brian Ward | V.P. |
| Frank Welch | Sec. |

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| Visitors | Mr. Mrs. Mumford - Golden Shores |
| | Eric Horton VP } Diamond Lake Assoc. |
| | Joe Smith Sec } |

Cottagers 23.

Items

- 1, Minutes of 1978 Annual Meeting were read. No discussion arose and motion by Jim Haddow, Eric Grumshaw to adopt them as read carried.
- 2 President's Report.
 - a) Membership Drive - not completed however at the time of the meeting there were 164 paid up members, an increase of 70 from 1978 and roughly 50% of the lake.
 - b) Baptiste Public Dock -
 19 April, 1978, Assoc. received a letter advising that Herschel Twp. wishes to sell the dock due to high upkeep costs. The Assoc. approached users of the dock on the North Shore of Baptiste as well as Redmond Bay where the alternate landing is located. A delegation approached Council and ultimately had the motion rescinded.
 Some discussion arose concerning the origin of the dock, various proposals concerning Federal MOT for additional funding as well as Jim Haddow's attempt to maintain the dock and install a night light.
 Eric Grumshaw made the observation that if you want something you should be on Council or alternatively be part of a dynamic association.
 - c) Treasurer's Report - In the absence of Treasurer, Les Grumshaw estimated our finances to be approximately \$500. Subsequent to the meeting, Mary submitted a detailed report.
 - d) Regatta - Reg. Canning, chairman was absent. Les Grumshaw commented - lots of work involved and indecision resulted in poorly run regatta. Power failure during the actual regatta.

At the request of Mr. McClellan, Les Brumshaw replied to the Bancroft Times Editorial referring to the rude reception received by an anonymous person. Although it was felt that the regatta was well received, and no attention should be paid to an anonymous letter, a letter of clarification and factual disclosure may be in the best interest of the Association.

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| Revenue from Regatta | 204.50 |
| Admission | 140.00 |
| | <u>344.50</u> |

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| Expenses. | 250.00 |
| | <u>100.00</u> |

Prizes were awarded to

- 1) Mr. Judge St. Catharines
- 2) Scott Jewel - Bancroft
- 3) Durwood Highfield Bancroft.

In future regattas, Grassy Bay areas should receive consideration.

Letters of thanks will be forwarded to Camp Ponacka, West Bay Ski Club, and the Merchants of Bancroft who contributed Prizes

3, Amendments to Constitutional Changes

Discussion concerning membership fees. An increase to \$ would enable such services as portable fire fighting equipment and medical aid such as resuscitation devices to be considered.

Diamond Lake in contrast reduced their fees from 5.00 to 2.00 due to excess revenues.

Then Assoc. post 25 reward leading to arrest conviction of vandals etc. to Assoc. members cottages. This will be increased to 100., lakeshore property owners are members of the Diamond Lake Assoc.

Don McMichael moved that constitutional amendments be accepted - Pam Brumshaw carried.

- 4, Sailing Club - A brief resumé of activities was given and a budget for 1979. It was emphasized that the sailing club is affiliated with the Cottagers Assoc. and a member of the Assoc. is a member of the Sailing Club.

The budget outlined request for ropes equipment trophies in the amount of \$200.

The Sailing Club agreed to make more members of the Association in general aware of the activities as well as list used boats, sailing tips and events in the newsletter.

A discussion arose about sponsoring the Sailing Club in this manner. In general, if sailing club receives such sponsorship, a precedent has been set and other special interest groups that subscribe to the aims of the Association should be given equal opportunity for sponsorship.

Motion to approve the \$200 limit on budget set forward by Albert Green - Doug Williams 10 in favour - 1 opposed. carried

- 5, Jim Haddon outlined M.O.E. Self Help Program. and gave a short demonstration.

A slight depression - Lake Koshabog Assoc. - portable pumps installed at strategic locations around the lake tended to reduce fire insurance.

- 6, Reece Ivan Fowler, Herschel Tupp was not present at the meeting and was unable to give an explanation of the new assessment of cottages.

Assoc. presented Frank Hicks with an award in

- 8, Election of Officers - Eric Grimshaw proposed that present slate of officers stand again for 1979-80. Doug Williams - carried.

Doug Williams commended executive for increasing membership and Don & Mary McMichael for their extensive efforts in promoting sailing on the lake.

Adjourned 1245 Mr. McClellan - Pam Grimshaw carried

Annual Meeting St. Matthews Parish Hall.

Les Grimshaw Pres.

Brian Ward Vice Pres.

Frank Hicks (Pat Hicks in attendance) Sec.

74 cottagers in attendance

Call to Order 10:10

Thanks were expressed to executive and regional representatives. Minutes were read and accepted as read.

Don McMichael, Mary McMichael Carried (Unan.)

- 2, Treasurers report was presented and accepted. Mrs. Haddow, Ted Mumford. Carried

- 3, Regatta 500-600 people in attendance and generally well received. Receipts from Draw (\$22.50) Admission (\$85.00) and Ladies Nail Drawing Contest (\$24.40) netted \$231.90.

- 4) Sailing - The president Les Grimshaw credited Don McMichael for work in sailing on the lake. Don presented a brief resumé of the sailing events to date. Ron Green won the Casey Trophy Race, and the Tom Fell Trophy and the

Spending to date for markers, air horn for starting and stationery amounted to approximately \$42. Sailing committee consists of Eric Brumshaw, Don McMichael and Paul Manley. They were unanimous in inviting all sailors to events.

5 President's Report.

Membership Fees - In 1979 a membership drive increased membership from 73 to approximately 300. To date only 100 have paid. Use of Association fees prompted discussion on fire fighting equipment.

Generally, fire fighting equipment is necessary possibly will reduce insurance rates however presents problem of site location, upkeep, operation and organized volunteer fire department. Les Brumshaw discussed cooperation with the Herschel Twp Fire Dept. and the location of a fire boat. Jim Haddon cited the successful operation of the Karsabog Association fire Dept. In the end of the discussion, a committee was formed to prepare a definite plan for fire fighting and present their recommendations known to the executive at the next meeting. They were to examine what equipment is needed, costs associated with equipment and how costs were to be met.

Proposal made by Don Hynes (West Bay) and David Milne. Carried.

FOCA - \$25 membership fee + .50 per member.

Function of FOCA was discussed in terms of representation at councils, government, planning etc. It was agreed to defer membership until required.

MNR - Planning act for our area being undertaken

that new executive submit information for a new planning study. Carried.

Herschel Twp. Meetings - Leo Brumshaw presented information on his attendance at council meetings concerning market value assessment. Two items were in contention - 1) base assessment on 1975 market value and 2) assess cottages on different rate than permanent residents.

Council has to pass resolution for assessors to implement this and the province has been frozen since 1976.

A market value assessment could result in a substantial increase in taxes (6X on vacant lots, 2X on commercial).

Leo Brumshaw suggested that interested people should run for council in order to make their views known.

Judy Vance representing Herschel Twp, indicated that council will not go into market value assessment.

Information was presented from Judy Vance, Hal Honey (Nepean), Ivan Fowler (Reeve, Herschel) and Eric Mitchell (Golden Eves) on the subject.

Jack Vance proposed a motion for the Baptiste Cott. & Resort Owners Assoc to go on record to oppose implementing a market value assessment to be read at council. Jack Vance, Jim Reynolds. Carried
opposed 1) Jim Blankett) 4 abstained.

6 New Business. - poor condition of roads.

Jack Vance proposed a motion to be presented to council to hire a consulting engineer to do a roads needs study for our area. Jim Haddow carried.

7) Jim Reynolds suggested a letter be sent to council requesting advance polling for a Saturday - already done.

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| President | <u>Nominated by</u> Jim Haddow | 2nd Arnold Warden | Nominee Curtis Tomes |
| Vice President | Judy Vance | Arnold Warden | David Milne |
| 2nd Vice | — | — | — |
| Treasurer | Arnold Warden | Mrs. Manfred McMichael | Everdon. |
| Secretary | | | Frank Hicks |

Judy Vance suggested that slate as nominated be accepted. 2nd Wilf Langan Carried.

9 OPP Report - 1 break in last fall / 9 between Apr 2 to May 31.

10 Jim Haddow reported on acid rain and water quality testing on lake.

(*) 11, Water level - a suggestion was put forward to establish a low water level for winter in order to minimize damage to banks, shorelines. Wilf Langan nominated Water Representative.

12, Ming McMichael commented on the poor condition of the South Side Garbage Dump. Arnold Warden advised that Twp. aware of problem.

Thanks were expressed to the present executive. Adjourned. Jim Haddow / Wilf Langan.

Executive Meeting - Aug 31, 1980.
 Attendance - Curtis Tom's Residence
 Leo. and Mary Evenden,
 Jimmie Hicks
 David Milne.

Meeting was held subsequent to annual General Meeting.

- 1) With fire fighting plan and equipment as main theme, a fall letter was to be prepared outlining project, costing, location of pumps, and implementation of system.
- 2) The upcoming Municipal elections are important and cottagers should go out and vote.
- 3) President Tom's is to make visit to MNR.
- 4) Some miscellaneous duties were cleared up.

Executive Meeting.

Curtis Tom's - Residence
 David Milne
 Leo + Mary Evenden
 Jim Haddow

Rich Borsall
 Larry Rogolopi
 Bernie Diotte
 J. Hicks

Rich Borsall a cottager as well as a member of the Pickering Fire Dept. presented information on a number of systems that could be useful and practical for Baptiste Lake conditions.

- 1) Hale Fire Pumps - 1600 - 2500 171 lbs (4 people to lift).
- 2) Chrysler floating pump - suction below with screen
 80 gal/min 2 lengths of hose. Available

in bldg.

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

19 Cottagers.