

September 2004 Minutes

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**MANITOBA ASSOCIATION OF COTTAGE OWNERS INC.
P.O. Box 281, Station Main, Winnipeg, MB, R3G 2G9**

Date: Tuesday, September 21, 2004

Time: 6:00 P M

Location: Garden City Canad Inn, 2100 McPhillips Street, Winnipeg

Present: Gary Dunlop, Pat Dunlop, Shirley Nixon, Rene Comeault, Dave Crabb,
Doug Neal Lorraine Neal

Regrets: Jim Neufeld, Daryll Hyslop, Rene Comeault

1. Call to Order

President Neal called the meeting to order at 6:30 P M.

2. Adoption of Agenda

Moved by Lorraine Neal, seconded by Dave Crabb that the agenda is adopted as presented.

Motion carried.

3. Adoption of Minutes of previous meeting of August 17th, 2004

Moved by Lorraine Neal, seconded by Gary Dunlop that the minutes of the previous minutes are adopted with the following correction. Bill Russell reported that the second last line of the financial statement said minus total and it should have said equals the total.

Motion carried.

4. Financial Report

Discussion ensued as to the financial statement. Suggestions were made as to ways to improve the report.

Bill moved acceptance of his report, seconded by Pat Dunlop.

Motion Carried.

5. Correspondence sent

a) Letter to Professor Gordon Goldsborough re invitation to AGM

Correspondence received

a) Draft newsletterInfo

b) E-mail from Allen Willoughby (Victoria Beach)

Reply

c) Margaret Skeel - Sask

Margaret reported she has 80 copies of "On the Living Edge" we can distribute at our AGM.

Reply with thanks.

d) Angela Haase - Paint Lake association question

Doug answered her query.

e) Bill Russell - re letter from Mayor Sam Katz
Reply with thanks

f) Letter from Jo-Ann Skinner - re Lord Selkirk School Division, low numbers of students graduating from Comprehensive School in Selkirk
Reply MACO to write letter to Education Minister Bjornson re accountability and we will request a meeting again.

g) Oak Lake letters.
Info only

h) Membership list - Bill
Info

i) Fournier Drive Newsletter Info

j) CCPCA Fall Newsletter info

k) Fisheries and Oceans re Physa snail on protected species list
MACO to respond favorably and in support of ensuring the protection of the Physa snail. We will inquire about the workshop.

6. Old Business

a) Letter to Fisheries and Oceans - Shirley and Lorraine Tabled

b) AGM equipment, registration cost, deadline, who register, silent auction items

AGM equipment, date projector

We can borrow one from the provincial government through Dwight Williamson. Doug made arrangements, Dave or Shirley to pick it up on Friday, October 22nd. Screen

Dave Crabb donated one last year. He'll bring it in for the meeting

Deadline for pre registration

Deadline to pre register will be October 18th.

Registration

Shirley to take pre registrations \$15 pre registered \$20 at door. Moved by Gary Dunlop, seconded by Pat Dunlop that Registration cost be \$15 pre registration, \$20 at the door.

Motion carried

Dave Crabb to work on registration form using the one developed by Daryll and Barb Hyslop last year.

Silent Auction items

Will everyone please try to obtain items for the silent auction?

c) Speaker line up

10:00 AM - Councilor Michael O'Shaughnessy from City of Winnipeg. We request he welcome delegates and ask what is the schedule with clean environment and how far along is the process

10:30 AM - Professor Gordon Goldsborough, Department of Botany, University of Manitoba - Wetlands, Lake Manitoba

11:30 AM - Water Stewardship Minister Steve Ashton - Water Stewardship

d) Land Problem - Rene
Tabled in Rene's absence.

7. New Business

a) Lake Winnipeg Stewardship Board -
Dave preparing submission

b) Winnipeg Free Press articles on Lake Winnipeg
Black Algae, August 23 and Toxic Bloom, Sept 7th. 2004
Info only

8. Directors Reports

Doug Neal

We must look at new people for nominations for executive positions.

Doug also reported that he contacted the Association of Manitoba Municipalities in support of their efforts at trying to have education funding removed from property. The AMM is forming a committee for this and will keep us informed of their progress.

Doug also reported that he'd been contacted by a reporter for the National Post regarding an article she's writing regarding why people must rent out their properties in order that their taxes can be paid. The article will be in the National Post this weekend.

Shirley Nixon

No report

Bill Russell

Bill reported that recently while following a sewage truck, he noticed that the sewage hauler from Lac du Bonnet was dumping raw sewage along the road. Bill tried to report this incident to Conservation without results. He tried the health unit in Lac du Bonnet who responded that "all the septic trucks do this." Bill to send us a letter detailing the incident and we'll send it to all appropriate government offices.

Gary and Pat Dunlop

No report

Dave Crabb

We have a commitment from Michael Routledge, MD, CCFP, FRCPC, MSc, Medical Officer of Health for Manitoba Health for Water. Dr. Routledge bridges the gap between Health Minister Dave Chomiak and Conservation Minister Stan Struthers. Dave has a Power Point presentation that will be available to us. Dr. Routledge will also give some information to us for our current newsletter and Dave will continue to work on getting articles from these credible sources. Dave has provided us with a link to the Water Directory.

9. Date, time and location of next meeting