

May 2010 Minutes

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

Date: Tuesday, May 18, 2010
Time: 6:00 PM
Location: CanadInns - 2100 McPhillips Street, Winnipeg
Present: Gus Wruck, Pat Dunlop, Mo Tipples, Rilla Britton, Lorne Britton, Larry Baker, Shirley Nixon and Marian Jones
Regrets: Dave Crabb, Sid Bloomfield, Donna-Jean Crabb, Casey Jones and Jim Neufeld.

1. Call to Order

Rilla Britton called the meeting to order at 6:03 pm.

2. Adoption of Agenda

Pat Dunlop moved adoption of the Agenda. Seconded by Shirley Nixon. Carried.

3. Adoption of the Minutes - Pat Dunlop moved adoption of minutes with amendment. Seconded by Lorne Britton. Carried.

4. Financial Report –

Pat Dunlop moved adoption of the financial report. Seconded by Lorne Britton. Carried.

5. Business & Action Items Arising From the Minutes

- East Road Write up for website, Dave – Carry forward
- Member orgs to website, Pat & Gus – Determined that name, location and number of members will be put on – Carry forward
- Publish LWRC, Mo & Gus – Mo to follow up
- Health and Safety at the Cottage – Pat – carry forward. Pat to check with Jim Neufeld to determine if Jim will be doing the following two.
 - Human Anaplasmosis
 - BGA Poisoning of Pets
- Garbage poisoning – Gus - Carry forward
- Porcupine quills – Gus – Carry forward
- Blastomycosis (animal) – Gus – Carry forward
- Wildlife safety – Lorne Britton – carry forward
- Waste Disposal – Donna Jean Crabb – carry forward
- Conservation districts – Shirley Nixon –carry forward
- Provincial Land Use Planning Survey (PLUPS) – Pat carry forward
- Recreational water safety – Rilla Britton – carry forward
- Recycling – Casey Jones –carry forward

6. Old Business

- Eastern Beaches Coalition – Gus advised that they mentioned this issue at the Lake Winnipeg Foundation meeting he attended.
- Website – Carry forward.
- Clean Environment Commission – The ministry refers all issues to the CEC. Asked why they are insisting on nitrogen removal and was referred to March 26, 2009 report. Have news release but it doesn't really identify need. Email sent to Dr. Goldsborough requesting assistance. Lorne and Rilla will follow-up to obtain report.
- School Taxes – Gus Wruck, Larry Baker and Pat Dunlop attended a meeting with Heather Stefanson, Rick Borotsik and Susan Robinson regarding Bill 5.

Gus Wruck moved THAT Whereas Bill 5 of the Manitoba Legislature does not address the overall issue of school taxes by providing tax relief to all property owners the Manitoba Association of Cottage Owners cannot support Bill 5. Therefore, the Manitoba Association of Cottage Owners urges the Manitoba Legislature to address the overall issue of school taxes on property in a more equitable manner. Seconded by Marian Jones. Carried.

Ed Arnold contacted Marian Jones. Mr. Harbottle is not running in the municipal elections again. He has 3 resolutions that are of interest to us and he will send them to us once they are passed. Suggested that he may possibly be interested in speaking at the rally.

Larry Baker advised that ads appeared in all the papers this week and in *The Cottager*.

- Governance – Carry forward to July meeting.

7. New Business

8. Correspondence Received/Sent

9. Directors' Reports

Marian Jones – Working on buildings but must now make an application to Crown Lands. Support for the association for these buildings has been reduced from last year. Hoping that there won't be any further reduction due to these delays.

Lorne Britton – Section A3 of the Winnipeg Free Press contained an article about St. Laurent. Sometime last year St. Laurent Recreational Co-Op received a grant from Western Diversification of \$261,000. The bowling ally has been torn out and a new municipal office built. The RM is now paying \$34,000 annual rent on the new space. The recreation committee has folded. They are some elections taking place tonight. The Western Interlake Planning Board has relocated offices.

Rilla Britton – Newsletter is being distributed this weekend.

Larry Baker – Has been out to the lake for a weekend.

Gus Wruck – Vicki Burns has moved from the Humane Society and will be involved in the Lake Winnipeg water levels issue.

Mo Tipples – No report.

Pat Dunlop – Lunder Beach & Sugar Point newsletter will be out on the long weekend. Read the report to association members regarding Coldwell Age Friendly Communities. Plan to attend council meeting in June.
Shirley Nixon – No report.

10. **Date of Next Meeting** – June 8 , 2010.
11. **Meeting Adjourned** - Gus Wruck moved meeting be adjourned at 7:28 pm.