

February 2005 Minutes

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

Date: Tuesday February 15, 2005

Time: 6:00 PM

Location: Garden City CanadInn, 2100 McPhillips Street, Winnipeg

Present: Dave Crabb, Doug Neal, Pat Dunlop, Gary Dunlop,
Joe Younge

Guest: Ray McKee of the Gull Lake Rate Payers
Association (attended about one-half hour)

Regrets: Rene Comeault, Daryll Hyslop, Jim Neufeld, Bill Russell,
Lindy Clubb, Shirley Nixon, Lorraine Neal

1. Call to Order

President Neal called the meeting to order at 6:20 PM

2. Adoption of Agenda

Moved by Dave Crabb, seconded by Gary Dunlop that the agenda is
adopted. Motion Carried.

3. Adoption of Minutes of previous meeting of January 26th, 2004

Moved by Pat Dunlop, seconded by Dave Crabb that the minutes of the
previous meeting of January 26th, 2005 are adopted as presented.
Motion carried.

4. Treasurer's Report

Treasurer Bill Russell on holidays. Report not available.

5. Correspondence sent

6. Correspondence received

a) E-mail from Clive Calaway - Living By Water asked that MACO sponsor
translation of the book into French for Nova Scotia, Quebec and Manitoba
use. Letter sent supporting translation.

b) Letter from Hydro advising of the amalgamation of hydro services for
Grand Marais and Powerview. Meeting scheduled for March 9th Doug
Neal will attend with Ken Avery Chair of Grand Beach and Area
Development Association, Ed Gunning Councillor St. Clements and Don
Schmidt Councillor Alexander.

E-mails between Jim Neufeld and Mike Beck regarding Property Taxation
(previously circulated by email) were reviewed

6. Old Business

a) Meeting protocols (Ground rules for effective meetings)

Jim Neufeld's suggestion regarding briefing note for new issues to be brought to meetings was discussed. It was decided that this was a good idea but that there was some concern that issues may be omitted due to lack of briefing note. It was suggested that where there wasn't a briefing note that the issue be brought forward and then could be tabled if necessary until the next meeting to allow time to prepare a briefing note or provide another form of written information to assist members in understanding implications and decision making.

b) Workshop/seminar planning

The date of the next planning session will be Saturday, February 26th, 2005 at 10:00 AM at Shirley Nixon's. Doug advised that he was given a name of a person who gives seminars using the Living By Water book as a base. It was moved by Dave Crabb and seconded by Joe Younge that Doug contact him for further information relating to cost and availability with a view to having him as a presenter for the workshop/seminar.

7. New Business

8. Directors Reports

Dave Crabb

Dave reported that street signs not yet available in Boulder Bay.

Gary and Pat Dunlop

Pat reported that there had been a number of break-ins in Lundar Beach of the past couple of months.

Joe Younge

Joe reported that Oak Lake's Crime Watch Citizen's on Patrol has reduced incidences of break-ins by more than 60%. It was reported that one break-in there was nothing taken and it appeared that someone had slept in the cottage overnight. Approximately 30 live there all year. Joe also reported that there had been some cougar tracks spotted.

9. Adjournment

On a motion by Pat Dunlop the meeting adjourned at 7:45 PM

10. Next meeting

Next regular meeting on Tuesday, March 15th, 2005 at Garden City
CanadInn Planning meeting Saturday, February 26th, 10 AM