

**Manitoba Association of Cottage Owners  
Annual General Meeting via Zoom  
October 28, 2022**

The Manitoba Association of Cottage Owners (MACO) business meeting was preceded by our guest presenter, Candace Parks, Aquatic Invasive Species Specialist, Government of Manitoba, email: Candace.Parks@gov.mb.ca speaking on invasive species.

**AGM**

Attendance:

1. **Call to Order:** 7:25 p.m. President Gus Wruck called the meeting to order and welcomed participants
2. **Adoption of Agenda:** Morris/Campbell
3. **Adoption of Minutes of 2021 AGM:** Morris/ Campbell
4. **President's Report** - Gus Wruck thanked the board for their support in his role as spokesperson. Education tax partial rebates have been issued for cottage property owners but the tax rebates still need to be monitored. MACO continues to hold its meetings online by Zoom and has made its Zoom licence available to member local cottage associations that wish to use it for virtual meetings. MACO has supported the Coalition to Save Lake Winnipeg, email: [cslakewinnipeg@gmail.com](mailto:cslakewinnipeg@gmail.com) . Two board members serve on the Coalition's steering committee. Newsletters and reports are published on the MACO website [macoman.com](http://macoman.com) . The increasing problem of algae and zebra mussels expanding in Manitoba watersheds has also been raised by the Coalition. Updates to the website were made and continue.
5. **Financial Report** - Jim Nicholson  
The MACO financial report for 2021-2022 was presented.  
Moved: Nicholson/ Morris
6. **Membership Report** – Shelley Morris
  - There are 36 local cottage associations that belong to MACO in good standing (paid for 2022).
  - The total number of cottage owners from the 36 groups is about 1700.
  - There are 2 individual members.
  - Of the 36 paid groups, to date, 24+ associations are part of the MACO group insurance program offered through Morris Insurance.
  - 6 new groups joined in 2022 – Fern Park, Klassen Drive, Lee River Falls, Lee Side Country Village, McKay Loop and Woodland Drive
  - There are 10 groups not paid yet for 2022, 5 of which are on the insurance program – we are in contact to confirm if they are continuing.
  - Membership marketing materials updated and Facebook Group created so that cottage association members can interact if they wish.

7. **Nominating Report:** nominated to the MACO board for a two year term were

President:	Gus Wruck
3 Directors	Shelley Morris
	Remi Brengman
	Kevin Crozier

Moved: Corbett/ Nicholson

8. **Strategic Plan Update** – Gus Wruck, MACO President.

9. **Other Business** - discussion about the possible privatization of boat launches/ docks

10. **Adjournment:** Morris/Campbell