



# SPIDER LAKE SPRINGS CAMPERS ASSOCIATION

## Amended and Approved

### Minutes of the Board of Directors Meeting for July 19, 2015

#### Directors Present:

President:	Rick Loiselle (G-34)
Vice President:	Elaine Layman (G-13)
Treasurer:	Rob Scantlebury (A-19)
Section A:	Richard Smith (A-36)
Section B:	Ron Ward (B-35)
Section C:	John Adams (C-48)
Section D:	Kathryn Wilkins (D-36)
Section E:	Phil Calnan (E-17)
Section F:	Joe Tremblay (F- 16)
Section G:	No Director

Absent with Regrets – Secretary, Debbie Graham

1. President Rick Loiselle called the meeting to order at 1000 hrs.
2. Agenda: Moved/second by Kathryn Wilkins/Ron Ward to accept the minutes as circulated. Carried
3. Business arising from the Minutes:
  - a. All items from the minutes are in upcoming reports.
4. Treasurer's Report:

Treasurer – Rob Scantlebury summarized the financial reports as circulated. To date 6 sites are not in compliance – gate cards have been cancelled for these sites.

Moved/seconded by Kathryn Wilkins/Richard Smith to accept the Treasurer's report. Carried

5. Manager's Report
  - a. Item 11 re: water, can be removed from the report. Ken Wilson has spoken to VIHA (the local water authority) – we are able to decide for ourselves if the water use is to be restricted. He reports our wells are all still good, they are checking them twice a week and if they appear to be dropping, they will be checked every week. Signs, however, will be left up reminding campers they should do what they can to conserve water. It is up to all of us to ensure campers are not abusing water usage. If you see some excess use, please report it to the Park Manager.
  - b. Item 10 – will be discussed in camera as it is a personnel issue.
  - c. Item 9 – tennis courts. The company we have hired to do the courts have informed us they are not responsible for the large cracks which need repairs. If we want them to take care of the issue there is another \$4000.00 on the cost. As well, the job cannot be done in the heat. There followed a discussion regarding warranties and options.



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Motion by Ron Ward, seconded by Kathryn Wilkins to approve an increase in the original motion for the cost of fixing the courts by \$4000.00 Carried.

- d. Memorial benches are here but they are not routed for the plaques. Donna will check to see if this is an error on the part of McKays or if they were not ordered with spaces
- e. Question for Ken – the front gate sign with its plexiglas cover – when will it be replaced? The plexiglas has been ordered and should be ready along with the other signs ordered in the next week.
- f. Ken informed the Board the road signs requested for this year are nearly done and should be installed by the end of the month.

John Adams requested Ken Wilson's report be read to the delegates in attendance so they would know what is being discussed. Agreed and Ken read his report.

Motion/seconded by John Adams/Ron Ward to accept the manager's report. Carried

## 6. Social Committee

- a. Donna reported an incident in the store last month regarding young people in the store harassing and scaring a staff member. The staff member has been given the authority to deal with this issue as she sees fit. If there are any other incidents or if this does not resolve the issue, it will again be brought to the Board.
- b. Sand Castle competition is coming up for the kids.

## 7. Ponds Committee

- a. One of the committee members met with an individual whose company states they can clear up the pond of milfoil in a month using an oxidizing system. The piece of equipment used sits on the side of the pond. We can try the machine for a month at \$500.00 and if happy, can purchase the equipment for \$6500 – the \$500 rental will be used as part of the purchase payment. Ken can approve the rental of the machine for 2 months as it is in his budget. The idea is to try with Main Pond first and if it works we can buy the machine and use on other ponds as well. Phil asked about the maintenance of the machine and it is apparently very low for these types of machines. This is the first stop for Larry's Pont – the committee is still to come back with options for the depth of the pond, for example dredging, excavating, etc. Joe Tremblay asked if the ponds are tested for bacterial content. Ken Wilson responded they are tested in the normal cycle and it has never been a problem but it is not every month. Ken will pick up some pond scum and send it in for testing. Aeration is not keeping the ponds moving – it was suggested it may be better to have more tumbling in the creeks/rivers – Ken will look at doing more this winter.

## New Business

1. Motion/seconded by Elaine Layman/Phil Calan that Kim Waters (G17) be appointed the section director for G Section. Carried. Kim was welcomed to the Board by the President.
2. Parking issue – there are people parking on the road; any board member can gently remind campers that the roads must be clear enough for emergency or fire trucks to be able to get through the park.



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3. A discussion was held regarding what to do if a fire broke out. Ken Wilson stated it is the priority of the staff to immediately unlock the gates (3 in all) for campers to evacuate the park. It was mentioned Past President Scott Dempsey was going to have the fire department go through the park to review our fire safety and exits. Rick will contact Scott to see if he would be willing to follow up on this.
4. Site Owner Documents – Debbie, Rob and Ken will be reviewing the balance of documents outstanding and gate cards will be cut off.

## **Delegates**

- a. President Rick Loiselle explained to the delegates how the system works – delegates can only speak during this section of the meeting. While the Board respects the input of campers in attendance, they must participate only at the correct time as speaking out during the meeting can be disrupting.
- b. Questions from camper – walking from the main pond to the other two ponds they have noticed there are a lot of branches down, can that be cleaned up? Ken Wilson responded that they do this every week but right now, due to the drought, there are a record number of branches coming down. Parking – the branches need to be cleared from the roadways where campers are parking, particularly down by the lower laundry/washroom building. Cardboard – the sign on the recycling bin is not clear a discussion was held regarding this matter – Ken is going to permanently lock the sheds as they are still being used and will contact Haarsma about signage for the bin.
- c. Concern from camper regarding the new plan for Larry's Pond. Has the Board investigated the company to ensure they are reputable? Ken Wilson has had discussions with them and the pond committee also has information about the company.

## **Correspondence**

No correspondence was received by the secretary

The treasurer received a letter from the insurance company – insurance is coming due

Motion/seconded by Ron Ward/Phil Calan the meeting be adjourned at 12:00.



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