

## FLA Minutes of Meeting October 13 2013

Attendees: Robin Yule, Jim McMahon, Mary Smirniw, Ellen Fox, Tom Gillette, Christa Sharpe, Jim Watson, Pat Currie, David White, Kate McMahon, Judy Maxwell

Absent: Jim Crawford, Karen Beamer

Invited guests: Chris Moore, Bill Knight, Tony Maxwell

1) Resignations..Pat Currie and Robin Yule resigning due to job commitments and need replacing. Jim McMahon reviewed membership and officer rules, board member rules and how to appoint mid term directors.

A) Pat Currie's resignation accepted with thanks for her good work over the many years she was a director of FLA. This made a vacancy on the board.

B) Tony Maxwell volunteered and accepted position as replacement director.

C) Robin Yule will become past president. Many thanks for his long time service and excellent work while he was a member of the board.

2) Discussion that President should also be Chairperson. With Robin's resignation, President position is vacant which needs organizational skills.

Eligible are Tony, Christa, Jim, Karen and Tom. Did we want to split the Pres. and Chair duties? Tom Gillette agreed to do both roles of President and Chair with Christa assisting as Vice Chair. Tony Maxwell is appointed as Vice President, replacing Tom. Board members carried this change.

**ACTION...**Robin Yule will write out checkpoint list for Tom as a guide .

3) Need for another director to replace Robin. Bill Knight volunteered and is now a director.

4) Tom resigns as Lake Plan coordinator. Judy Maxwell has volunteered to take over this most important role. She presented her Stage 1 of making our Lake plan part of the town of Huntsville official plan. Ellen Fox will work closely with her, together with Jack van de Meer. Details of the information gathering stage can be obtained from Judy.

**ACTION:** May 2014 is desired completion date and update will be given at the July annual general meeting.

5) Correction to the fees FLA needs to pay in the process of having our Fox Lake Plan. Total cost all in will be about \$5000 when all is completed.

6) RIBFEST..this is FLA's main fund raiser which helps to pay for insurance, activities and long term planning. It is very popular and needs volunteers to help coordinate ticket sales, auction items and the set up and take down on the day of. We are all on board to recruit volunteers for this important function.

**ACTION** Mary Smirniw volunteered to contact companies in JANUARY for donations. Any later is too late.

Pat Currie will write a HOW TO RUN RIB FEST help sheet and get to Tom and Christa.

Chris Moore volunteered to help on the day.

7) LOGO clothing. Order form will be in Spring newsletter. Ellen Fox and Kate McMahon will coordinate. Kid's tshirt with the Fox Lake logo is popular.

8) New Benefits of membership.

**ACTION**..email blast to members marketing our membership benefits and encouraging members to visit the web site.

9) Ideas for the fall newsletter are needed. Asking if anyone has something to include. Suggestion to include that if you are not a FLA member you have no voice in the future of the lake. Calling for Regatta volunteers.

10) Change is the board of directors will be shown on the website.

Thanks again given to Pat and Robin for all of their hard work over the years. That work and

organizational skill will be sorely missed.

**NEXT MEETING**..Location Mary Smirniw, East Fox Lake Rd., Sunday morning 9:30 am, MAY 18, 2014.

**ACTION LIST**

- 1) Robin Yule/Pat Currie to write out Rib Fest Guide, Checkpoint list for President responsibilities and contacts
- 2) Judy Maxwell and her committee to complete information gathering by May 2014
- 3) Mary Smirniw to contact local companies for auction donations no later than January 2014
- 4) Marketing volunteer to write email blast outlining Fox Lake Member benefits and publish on website by December 2014..
- 5) Ongoing recruitment for volunteers...all board members
- 6) FLA logo clothing ...final decision on what type for Spring newsletter and website...Ellen and Kate
- 7) Non profit Organization Act..although changes on hold..we need to keep checking for when change is coming...Jim McMahon and Tom
- 8) Island Reforestation..ongoing with Christa Sharpe coordinating..next one Spring 2014
- 9) Mary to follow up on non paid memberships by end of 2013. Give Sharon list who will make some calls for her.
- 10) Jim McMahon to investigate alternate form of payment of membership...email ?
- 11) Notify town of Huntsville of FLA email for variance applications.
- 12) Investigate shoreline survey...Ellen on top of this, waiting to hear if study will be done in 2014.