

OXTONGUE LAKE ASSOCIATION

Oxtongue Lake P.O., Ontario.
5th August 1964.

Dear Member:-

In lieu of minutes, enclosed is a copy of a letter to the Reeve of McClintock Township, with whom your Executive informally discussed all matters brought up at your annual meeting, August 1st.

It is economically impossible for the Township to provide tax paid garbage pick up for two months of the year in our area. However, your Executive is investigating pay direct garbage pick up at reasonable rates and will advise you shortly on how to acquire same.

After Council has considered our letter we will write you again, reporting disposition of these matters and others not concerning Council, as well as the names and addresses of various committee heads.

In the meantime may we remind you that your \$1.00 year membership fee barely covers the cost of these reports. If you have not already done so please send your fees to the treasurer, Mr. Rempel.

Your Executives sole aim is to serve each and every member. Do let us hear from you.

Sincerely yours,

R.W. Elliott
R.W.L.K.

R.W. Elliott, President,
Oxtongue Lake Association.

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Leeve A. Lock,
Township of McClintock,
DORSET, Ontario.

Dear Sir:-

Thank you for meeting with us last Sunday, August 2nd, 1964.

As suggested by you, we would ask that you draw the following points to the attention of Council:-

agreed to make
1. Excessive dust on Harris Rd. It is requested that consideration be given to the spreading of calcium on the road as often as is necessary to control the dust problem during July and August of each year.

etc
2. Winter plowing of snow. - approximately 3 miles of additional township roads. (Harris Rd. is presently kept clear of snow). We would be glad to discuss this matter further with your representative if we can be assured of your co-operation. It is realized that roads would be cleared only in those instances where regular usage is assured.

3. Straightening of Harris Rd. at Chipmunk Creek Hill:- This is particularly dangerous at the moment with visibility of oncoming traffic non-existent.

Final answer
4. Signs reading:- (a) Algonquin Outfitters Road. (b) Wild Goose Cottages Road. *(DHO notified to check & would be coming down)*
We are perturbed over the recent erection of these signs on roads leading, in both instances, to the residences of long time inhabitants of Oxtongue Lake. The signs are misleading and a source of aggravation to the summer residents with cottages on these two roads. We request that both signs be removed as soon as possible or if signs are considered absolutely necessary that names suitable to all parties be selected.

5. The members of the Association would also appreciate Council's co-operation in having posted a maximum 40 MPH speed limit on Highway 60 from the Hay Mill property through to the bridge and DHO picnic sight at the Oxtongue River N.E. of the Lake.

6. We appreciate your telling us the long, troubled history of the road from Hwy. 60 into the private residences south of Wild Goose Inn. We must remind Council, however, that this is a Township, public road and due all the maintenance and upkeep of any other Township Road. If there is anything that this Association can do to assist in the long standing dispute, do not hesitate to contact us.

7. At the present time there are two garbage dump locations used by Oxtongue Lake residents. One is official, the other unofficial.

The official dump, as you are aware is approximately 1½ miles south of Oxtongue Lake and is in a deplorable, unsightly and unsanitary condition. We would request that a method of cleaning up and keeping clean this dump be implemented by Council. In turn we, the Association, will do all we can to publicize the fact that it is the public's responsibility as well as the Townships to keep the dump as clean and tidy as possible.

The unofficial dump. This is located on Harris Rd. The Association was in touch with Council last year on this matter and as a result:

1. "No Dumping" sign was put up. This solution appears inadequate. We again ask Council for help in closing out this dump and we in turn will draw this matter to the attention of all the residents concerned.

8. Pleased we were to learn that a 10 man volunteer Fire Brigade, under the combined auspices of the Townships of Ridout, Sherbourne & McClintock is being completed under Fire Chief Don Lillow of Dorset phone 766-2238. We will be in touch with Chief Lillow re service in this area, lowered insurance premiums, emergency phone number, etc.

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9. We wish to assure Council that the sole intent behind the following motion passed at our annual meeting is to maintain and enhance the property values in the area. The motion reads: "That the Oxtongue Lake Association petition council to write the property owners of these properties, in the Oxtongue Lake area, which are unsightly, unsanitary, incendiary and often downright dangerous, reminding them of statutes and by-laws in effect regarding such situations and the penalties for which the owners are liable. In this regard our Association would appreciate notice of any of these properties that might be coming up for "Tax Sales" in the future.

✓ 10. We much appreciated your guidance on these following matters:-

Health & Sanitation, including pollution:- We understand that the Muskoka Health Unit - phone 789-5351 in Huntsville is the appropriate authority.

Conservation:- That your W.C. Ellerington of Dorset - phone 766-2284 is the local official.

Water Safety:- That the Ontario Provincial Police - phone 729-5551 in Huntsville should be alerted to violations.

The Oxtongue Lake Association, now in its third year, represents approximately 3/4 of the property owners of McClintock Township, served by Oxtongue Lake Post Office. The 70 members include both commercial and residential ratepayers and at our annual meeting 50 members attended.

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Oxtongue Lake is a small lake. It is relatively shallow. Over the last few years it has undergone tremendous development. It is in fact rapidly nearing saturation. In order to assure orderly future development, our membership requests that appropriate zoning by-laws be tabled. To assist Council we are forming a zoning committee through which to express our wishes in this respect and to afford maximum co-operation on this point between Council and the Oxtongue Lake ratepayers.

Thank you for your consideration of these points, Mr. Lock. We look forward to hearing from your Council.

Sincerely yours,

R. W. Elliott R.W.E.K.

R.W. Elliott, President