

OXTONGUE LAKE RATEPAYERS ASSOCIATION

Minutes of the Annual Meeting held Saturday, July 13, 1980, at the Community Centre. Time: 10:30 a.m. 40 people present.

President, Marvin Jones, welcomed those in attendance and opened the meeting by introducing Reeve, Fred Baum, who then introduced Councillors, - Joyce McKee, Fran Gower, ~~Bruce Keown~~ and ~~Olga Cunningham~~ and addressed the Association and discussed the following:

- Increase in taxes 4% - lowest in Haliburton.
- Roads in good condition--oiling behind schedule because of weather.
- A lot of work has been done at the Garbage Disposal Area--fill put in. Council has applied for a grant to get money for fencing and sign posting. Bruce Keown's suggestion: raise edge of dump.
- Zoning by-law has not had official approval--should have it this Fall.
- Closing of 66' road allowances.
- Council was successful in obtaining a sizable grant for Canadian Youth Employment Program.
- Consideration of new Fire Hall in Dorset.
- Election: Monday, November 10/80. Advanced Poll: Saturday, November 1st, 1980.
- Phone number not clear in directory.
- Harris Road: straightening, widening and removing knoll.
- Concerns re gravel pit to be in by Nov. (M.P.C.) Stan Seal questioned whether this work on Harris Road was to facilitate large trucks removing gravel and Mr. Baum assured him it had no connection with Ont. Gov't.
- Water Levels: Reg Embree questioned. Mr. Baum said Ministry didn't show at a recent nearby association meeting and they claim heavy rains and run-offs. Controlled by Ministry of Natural Resources--agreement between M.N.R. & Hydro.

Report from Fran Gower:

- new phone number 635-1229.
- Work students are doing: improvements to Community Centre--now working on area at back of C.C. for a ball diamond (estate of Frank Hubbel). Jack Hubbel (son) gave permission for ball diamond. Board of Directors looking into giving land to Community Centre. Getting telephone poles for backstop. Basketball hoop. Sandbox is in.
- New Curtains in Community Centre made by women of the Community.
- Walking trail into High Falls.

It was moved by Dorothy Jones and seconded by Chris Woods that the minutes of the 1979 Annual Meeting be accepted as printed and circulated.

The Treasurer's Report was presented by Wilf Pollard. Motion to accept report was made by Fran Gower and seconded by Dave Seal.

Mary Rowan reported plans well underway for the Regatta, Sun., Aug. 3rd, at 1:00 p.m.--the theme: Canada & Togetherness.

The president reminded everyone of: Splash - Sat., July 19th, at 1:30 p.m. organized by Angela Keyes; and the Arts & Crafts Show - Sat., Aug. 23rd, at 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. directed by Janine Marson. Donna Baillie spoke of the Children's section she will organize--encourage children 12 and under to prepare for and participate in the Arts & Crafts Show.

Oxtongue Lake History: Dr. Bill Keith, who can make history "come alive" passed around arrowheads found in the area and suggested several books which would be of interest to the members. So far response has been "nil" to requests for personal histories of lots and buildings.

President Marv reported on communications received re Lake Trout Assessment and Acid Rain.

Ted Keown reported on Fire Department:

--keep up-dating equipment

--2 air packs allow firemen to enter smoke-filled building

--fund raising: 1) Canoe Raffle; 2) Beef Barbeque - Aug. 2nd, 5:00 p.m.

Increase of membership fee to \$3.00 - moved by Jan Woods and seconded by Donna Baillie. Carried, Effective 1981.

Joan Hayden reported that "Theatre North" would be presenting "Spirit of Muskoka" every Wednesday beginning July 17th at the Community Centre as long as interest lasted. Tickets \$3. Contact Joan or Jack Hayden.

President Marv thanked his executive and the organizers of special events and the people of the community for their work and support.

Meeting was then turned over to Dave Seal to conduct the election of officers for 1980-81. Dave presented the existing officers:

President:	Marvin Jones
Vice Pres.:	Chris Woods
Treasurer:	Wilf Pollard
Secretary:	Dorothy Jones
Director:	Fran Gower
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There were no nominations from the floor. It was moved by Walter Maunz and seconded by Joan Hayden that the above slate of officers be acclaimed. Unanimous response in favour. Carried.

Fran Gower introduced our speaker, Mike Legge of the O.P.P. who spoke on water safety, boat regulations and how to burglar-proof a cottage.

President Marv thanked the speaker, Fran Gower, the muffin-makers and all who helped prepare the pre-meeting coffee hour.

It was moved by Bill Kennedy and seconded by Joan Hayden that the meeting be adjourned. Time: 12:00 noon.

Dorothy Jones, Secretary.