

MINUTES

1971 ANNUAL MEETING

WEST ARM OXBOW COTTAGERS

ASSOCIATION

The meeting was called to order at 10.20 on August 1, 1971 by the President, Mr. G. Dodds. Thirty-six members were present.

The minutes of the previous meeting were adopted. Moved by H. Ferguson, seconded by H. Cambray.

The President expressed regrets at the passing of Mr. B. Hansen.

Business resulting from previous meeting

- Public Dock was finally settled at \$50.00 ~~and a final estimate~~
- Road up the peninsula - gravelled and spur roads completed about mid to end of August. In this connection a comment was made about the necessity to have the trucks slow down for safety's sake.
- Mayor J. Hatoski at Dwight will be written to bring certain sections of road up to better standards with a copy to Mr. E. West at Tally Ho.
- Postal boxes at sign Mail will be delivered to end of driveways if cottagers put up their own box - notify the association if any member plans to put up their own box. Mail will commence next spring 1972.
- Highway 514 still has a low priority for repairs. It was suggested that the Association should go on record with the necessary authorities that certain spots on 514 are hazardous.
- Dump - suggested letter should be sent to Department of Lands and Forests remarking the dump.
- Pollution - G. Dodds spoke about incinerator type toilets - available but no one seems to have one installed. H. Ferguson spoke of impracticability.
- Department of Lands and Forests now regulate number of cottages on lake by square footage and it is unlikely any new cottages will be allowed on our lake.
- Washing Products the best non-pollutant product now seems to be Acqua Life, Sunlight Power and Nature Clean for dishes.
- Light at Dock - decided to leave it in operation for one more year till peninsula road up to standard.
- Parking at Dock - suggested it should be arranged in such a way as to allow others easy and free access to dock.

- Untidiness of Dock area - this area appears to be most littered section of the lake. Suggestion made that we could all "clean up our act" as Muskoka is asking us to do. Vic House and Dr. Smeaton volunteered to put up a couple of large garbage cans at parking lot.
- Swimming lessons available at camp at 2.30 free.
- Welcome given to Mr. Wiley - new member, as well as introduction of members all round.
- East Arm Association - decided that liason will be started with them at least to the point of exchanging Minutes of Associations.
- Raised Assessments - discussed and it would appear that we all experienced substantial increases and should check carefully against previous years.
- Meeting at lodge - discussion. Motion made by Mr. Alfred that we should meet and pay the lodge any reasonable amount they want for coffee and meeting room. Seconded by Mrs. Forrest. Passed unanimously.
- Financial statement - Motion for acceptance by J. Cowan, seconded by Mrs. Davis. carried.

NEW BUSINESS

- Discussion of combination annual meeting and children's outing - difficult to arrange and suggestion was made for 2 separate events possibly.

Motion made by E. Forrest re having a cocktail party and dinner at the lodge to be looked into by the committee.

Discussion of problem of obtaining a banquet licence fo recreation and meeting. Poll showed most members would attend a cocktail party previous to a dinner at the lodge.
- The meeting took a short coffee break
- Party arranged tentatively for August 21, Saturday evening decided cocktails at 7.00 at Howard Cambrays or lodge then buffet at lodge at 8.00 p.m. Check bulletin board for location for cocktails.
- Mrs. MacRea volunteered to organize a swimming class for non-swimmers and beginners instruction, last 2 weeks in August she is available. Location at Mr. Chaney's. Start on Monday August 16 at 10:00 a.m.
- A comment was made requesting less use of Mr. Brooksons PA system.
- Association will send a letter expressing sympathy to Barringer family. Motion - Jim Evenden, seconded - Audrey Cambray.

- Point brought up to sharply reduce speed going through narrows - in fact we would like people not to water ski through narrows at all.
- We will request Department of Transport to put up signs reducing speed 5 - 6 mph. Motion - Mrs. Fenwick, seconded Mr. V. House, to mimeograph a set of general rules about boating, detergents, garbage etc.
 - container at parking lot, to be distributed to each cottage.
- Complaint made re speed of power boats annoying and creating hazardous conditions for canoes, sail boats etc.
- Election of Committee. It was moved by S. McBride, seconded by John Rolls that the same committee as last year namely: G. Dodds, John Cowan, Vic House, and Peter Miller be re-elected for another year, the individuals concerned to apportion the tasks amongst themselves carried unanimously.
- Motion to adjourn meeting at 12.35 by Mr. Wiley. Carried.

Peter H. Miller

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FINANCIAL STATEMENT

Cash on hand, October 31, 1970	\$198.16
Receipts to July 31, 1971	<u>107.97</u>
Total	306.13
Expenses	
(Hydro light - parking lost)	<u>51.00</u>
Balance (in bank account)	<u><u>\$255.13</u></u>



J. J. Cowan
August 1, 1971