

WEST ARM OXBOW COTTAGERS ASSOCIATION

ANNUAL MEETING

SEPTEMBER 1, 1974 - OXBOW LODGE

RECREATION HALL

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER AT 10:10 AM.

CHAIRMAN: MR. G. DODDS

SPECIAL GUESTS: THE MAYOR - MR. MALCOLM SCOTT

NUMBER PRESENT: OVER FORTY MEMBERS

MINUTES WERE SUMMARIZED OF THE ANNUAL MEETING FOR 1973, COPIES PROVIDED FOR ALL MEMBERS. MOTION OF ACCEPTANCE MADE BY MR. R. C. FENWICK, SECONDED BY MR. W. WILEY.

TREASURER'S REPORT

THE REPORT WAS READ. A MOTION WAS MADE BY MR. J. COWAN FOR ITS ACCEPTANCE. SECONDED BY MRS. E. FORREST. CARRIED.

IT WAS REPORTED THAT THERE WERE OUTSTANDING DUES OF \$43.00. A DISCUSSION OF OUTSTANDING DUES BEFORE 1973 TOOK PLACE. A MOTION WAS MADE BY MR. WILEY THAT MEMBERS WITH LONG OUTSTANDING DUES BE INFORMED THAT WE WILL WAIVE ANY PAST DUES PREVIOUS TO 1973, IF THEY WISH TO BECOME A MEMBER NOW. SECONDED BY MRS. FORREST. CARRIED.

MR. COWAN MOVED THAT DUES BE CONTINUED IN THE AMOUNT OF \$2.00 FOR 1974. SECONDED BY MR. S. BROOKS. FURTHER MOTION MADE BY MR. FENWICK THAT DUES FOR 1975 BE THE SAME, SECONDED BY MRS. DAVIS.

REPORT BY MAYOR SCOTT

MAYOR SCOTT REPORTED THAT 3½ MILES OF THE ROAD 514 - MUSKOKA 8 - HAD NOW BEEN COMPLETED AND THE SINGLE YELLOW LINE ALL THE WAY. NEXT YEAR THE TOWNSHIP WILL WORK ON THE DISTANCE FROM LIMBERLOST TO LOON LAKE, THIS IS AN ON-GOING PROJECT TO BRING THE ROAD UP TO GOOD STANDARD. HE MENTIONED THAT IT HAS BEEN SUGGESTED THAT THE CAMP LAKE ROAD BE JOINED TO HIGHWAY 60, POINTING OUT THE MANY ADVANTAGES OF THIS MOVE WHICH WOULD SAVE SOME COTTAGERS MUCH TIME AND INCONVENIENCE AND WOULD MAKE MAINTENANCE FOR THE TOWNSHIP EASIER. THE MAYOR REQUESTED A LETTER FROM THE ASSOCIATION SUPPORTING THIS MOVE.

MOTION MADE BY MR. CLEMENTS THAT WE ENDORSE A MOVE TO HAVE THE ROAD COMPLETED TO HIGHWAY 60 BY SENDING A LETTER TO MR. FRANK MILLER, M.P.P., AND JOHN RHODES, MINISTER OF TRANSPORTATION AND COMMUNICATIONS. SECONDED BY MR. BROOKSON. CARRIED.

DISCUSSION OF BUSINESS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MINUTES

WEST ARM ROAD

THE WORK WHICH WAS OUTLINED IN THE MINUTES FOR THE WEST ARM ROAD HAS NOW BEEN VERY SATISFACTORILY COMPLETED. A MOTION OF THANKS WAS EXTENDED BY MR. COWAN TO ALL THE PEOPLE INVOLVED IN THIS PROJECT. SECONDED BY MR. BROOKSON. CARRIED.

SNOW PLOWING IN WINTER FOR PARKING - MR. DODDS REPORTED THAT THE PLOWING WAS DONE. PEOPLE, HOWEVER, ARE STILL PARKING IN AREAS MARKED FOR SNOW PLOW TURNING, AND SIGNS SHOWING THESE AREAS WERE STOLEN. THERE WAS MUCH DISCUSSION OF THE MATTER OF GARBAGE BEING LEFT AROUND THE PARKING AREAS IN THE WINTER MONTHS, WITH SUGGESTIONS OF CONTAINERS ETC.

MR. WILEY MADE A MOTION THAT A SUITABLE SIGN BE PREPARED AND POSTED IN THE WINTER PARKING AREA POINTING OUT THAT FINES WOULD BE IMPOSED. SECONDED BY MR. FENWICK. CARRIED.

FURTHER TO THIS MRS. FORREST SUGGESTED THAT THE RULES OF COTTAGERS SHOULD ALSO BE POSTED.

VANDALISM ON THE LAKE

IN THIS CONNECTION THREE PRIVATE LETTERS WERE SENT OUT LAST YEAR. VANDALISM OR EXCESSIVE ROWDINESS SHOULD BE REPORTED TO THE O.P.P. IMMEDIATELY BY TELEPHONE AT THE TIME IT HAPPENS. THE O.P.P. SAID THERE IS LITTLE THEY CAN DO IF THE COMPLAINT COMES TO THEM WEEKS OR MONTHS AFTER.

HIGHWAY 514 - MUSKOKA 8

THE MATTER OF THE ENTRANCE FROM HIGHWAY 60 WAS DISCUSSED. MAYOR SCOTT SUGGESTED THAT WE WOULD HAVE TO APPROACH THE HIGHWAYS DEPARTMENT OURSELVES TO GET ANYTHING DONE ABOUT THIS PROBLEM.

MRS. FENWICK MADE A MOTION THAT A LETTER BE SENT TO OTHER ASSOCIATIONS IN THE LOCALITY TO SUPPORT OUR POSITION. SECONDED BY MR. CAMERON.

ONTARIO COTTAGE OWNERS ASSOCIATION

WE HAVE NOW JOINED THIS ASSOCIATION HAVING PAID THE \$20.00 FEE. MR. DODDS REPORTED ON THE INVOLVEMENT OF THE ONTARIO ASSOCIATION IN MANY THINGS OF INTEREST TO OUR ASSOCIATION. HE ALSO REPORTED THAT IT WAS POSSIBLE TO SUBSCRIBE TO THE MAGAZINE PREPARED BY THIS GROUP.

VOTING

THE IMPRACTICAL ASPECTS OF VOTING IN THE AREA WERE DISCUSSED AND MAYOR SCOTT SPOKE ABOUT THIS. THE IDEA OF HAVING ELECTION DAY CHANGED TO THE THANKS-GIVING WEEKEND WAS MENTIONED AS WELL AS THE POSSIBILITY OF MAIL-IN VOTES FOR CANDIDATES. WE ENDORSE SUCH MEASURES.



CAMP KIWANIS

WAS CONTACTED ABOUT MATTER OF LITTER AT LITTLE OXBOW. THIS WAS TAKEN CARE OF BY THEM VERY EFFICIENTLY.

MOTION BY MR. S. BROOKSON THAT A LETTER OF THANKS BE SENT TO MR. KAYLE, DIRECTOR OF CAMP KIWANIS, THANKING THEM FOR THEIR CO-OPERATION. SECONDED BY MR. V. HOUSE.

MAP OF COTTAGE OWNERS ON WEST ARM

MR. DODDS PREPARED A VERY COMPREHENSIVE MAP OF THE LAKE SHOWING THE LOCATION OF EACH RESIDENT. A REVISED MAP WILL BE PREPARED THIS YEAR. THE SUGGESTION WAS MADE BY MR. DODDS THAT A NUMBERING SYSTEM OF THE PROPERTIES BE PREPARED AND THE EXECUTIVE WILL WORK TOWARDS THIS END. MR. VIC HOUSE IS PREPARED TO MAKE THE NECESSARY SIGNS IF THE NUMBERING SYSTEM UNDER INVESTIGATION WORKS OUT.

ELECTIONS

NO ELECTIONS THIS YEAR - EXECUTIVE STANDS AS ELECTED LAST YEAR. MR. VIC HOUSE WAS MADE A MEMBER AT LARGE.

BOAT LIGHT AND DOCK

MAYOR SCOTT SAYS WE WILL HAVE TO WRITE TO THE TOWNSHIP TO HAVE THIS TAKEN OVER. THE FOLLOWING POINTS SHOULD BE MENTIONED IN THE LETTER:

- A) MENTION OF THE NECESSITY OF THE BOAT LAUNCHING AREA BEING GRADED AND GRAVELLED.
- B) THE MATTER OF REPAIR OR REMOVAL OF SLIPS.
- C) THE LIGHT ITSELF.

WHILE MAYOR SCOTT WAS INVOLVED IN DISCUSSIONS THAT TOOK PLACE DURING THE MEETING HE ACTUALLY SPOKE AND REPORTED THE FOLLOWING:

1. THE IMPROVEMENT OF THE WEST ARM ROAD.
2. NEW FIRE PUMP WHICH COULD POSSIBLY REDUCE INSURANCE RATES.
3. LIMBERLOST TAKEN OVER BY BOVIS TO BECOME SHOWPLACE AND TO BUILD CONDOMINIUMS - 250 UNITS EXPECTED. THE WHOLE DEVELOPMENT SHOULD NOT PRESENT ANY PROBLEMS TO COTTAGE OWNERS AS THE BUILDING OF SAME IS BEING CAREFULLY WATCHED. TOWNSHIP WILL KEEP US INFORMED ON DEVELOPMENTS. OUR CONCERN WAS THE DENSITY OF THE ENTIRE AREA.
4. TAXES - 4 MILLS ALREADY PAID INCREASE OF FROM 40 - 60% TO COME.
5. MAYOR SCOTT REPORTED THAT A LETTER SHOULD BE SENT TO MR. MILLER, M.P.P., THAT WE SUPPORT THE TOWNSHIP POSITION OF AN EASEMENT IN THE AMOUNT OF TAXES ON THE TOWNSHIP LEVEL FOR COTTAGE OWNERS WHO PAY TAXES IN TWO PLACES.

6. SPOKE ABOUT ROAD ALLOWANCES AND LAKE FRONT BEING PRIVATE CRITERIA IN WHAT APPEARS TO BE INEQUITABLE TAX BILLS.
7. DISCUSSED THE POSSIBILITY OF REZONING PART OF THIS LAKE. AT THE MOMENT IT IS SHOWN AS DEFERRED PLANNING. MENTION MADE OF THE FACT THAT THE LAKE IS CLOSED. CONCERN WAS MENTIONED OF THE LAKE BEING OPENED UP. WE ASSUME THAT THE LAKE IS ALREADY AS BUILT UP AS IT CAN STAND AND PROVINCIAL REGULATIONS ALLOW - WE WOULD LIKE SOME ASSURANCE AS TO THIS.
8. MR. CHANEY REPORTED ON THE FINE JOB BY COUNCIL IN THEIR WORK ON THE EXTENSION OF THE WEST ARM ROAD.
9. MR. HOUSE AND MR. EVENDEN REPORTED ON THE DRAINAGE PROBLEM WHICH EXISTED ON THE WEST ARM ROAD AND MAYOR SCOTT WILL INVESTIGATE THIS PROBLEM IMMEDIATELY AFTER THE MEETING. (THIS WAS DONE - WE PRESUME THIS WILL BE ATTENDED TO IN THE SPRING OF 1975).

THANKS WERE EXPRESSED BY G. DODDS TO MAYOR SCOTT FOR COMING AND SPEAKING TO US.

#### ANNUAL MEETING AND SOCIAL ACTIVITIES

DISCUSSION TOOK PLACE ABOUT THE ANNUAL MEETING AND IT WAS SUGGESTED THAT JULY 1ST WOULD BE A BETTER TIME TO HAVE IT RATHER THAN LATER IN THE SUMMER SEASON. THE EXECUTIVE WILL TRY TO ARRANGE THIS.

DISCUSSION WAS HELD ABOUT THE POSSIBILITY OF A CONSTITUTION. IT WAS DECIDED THAT THIS WAS NOT REALLY NECESSARY.

MR. COWAN SUGGESTED THAT WE RETURN TO THE SOCIAL EVENT THAT WE HAVE HAD IN PREVIOUS YEARS AND THAT IT BE HELD BEFORE THE MEETING.

MRS. FORREST MADE A MOTION THAT THE MINUTES BE DISTRIBUTED EARLIER IN THE YEAR. SECONDED BY MR. FENWICK.

THE MATTER OF CHILDRENS' ACTIVITIES WAS DISCUSSED AND IT WAS POINTED OUT THAT THE ARRANGING OF SUCH EVENTS WAS EXTREMELY DIFFICULT.

MR. WYLIE THANKED MR. DODDS FOR HIS WORK ON THE MANY ITEMS.

MR. DODDS THANKED BRIAN AND VERONICA DITMAR FOR ACCOMODATING US.

MEETING ADJOURNED AT 12:30 PM. ON A MOTION BY MRS. FORREST - SECONDED BY MR. WYLIE. COFFEE WAS SERVED DURING THE COURSE OF THE MEETING.

P. H. MILLER  
SECRETARY.



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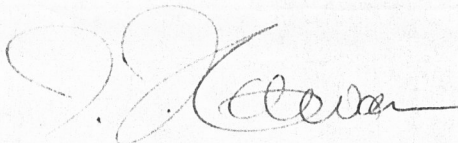
As of Dec. 9, 1974

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|---------------------------------------|--|------------|
| Balance on hand July 5, 1974          |  | \$115.03   |
| Dues Received and bank interest       |  | 113.48     |
| Rebate - overpayment on hydro billing |  | <u>.35</u> |
| Total receipts, etc.                  |  | \$228.86   |

Expenses

|                                |             |              |
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| Lodge rental September 1, 1974 | \$20.00     |              |
| Hydro - dock light             | 27.50       |              |
| Stamps                         | <u>8.40</u> | <u>55.90</u> |
| Balance - December 9, 1974     |             | \$172.96     |

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| Bank balance - December 9, 1974 | \$172.61        |  |
| Cash on hand                    | <u>.35</u>      |  |
|                                 | <u>\$172.96</u> |  |



J. J. Cowan  
December 9, 1974