MINUTES OF ANNUAL MEETING OF OXBOW LAKE COTTAGERS' ASSOCIATION HELD on SUNDAY, AUGUST 1, 1982, 10:00 a.m., at JOHN ROLLS' COTTAGE

President J. L. Van Camp chaired the meeting and welcomed the 51 members present. He expressed the sympathy of the association on the deaths of Mrs. Harper, Mr. Roly Barteaux and Mr. George Hawley.

Mr. Van Camp expressed regret at the absence of Mayor Malcolm Scott because of a similar meeting at Dorset and invited Mr. Cliff Beaman of Lake of Bays Council to speak to the meeting. Mr. Beaman covered the following items:

Taxes are up about 12% because of Board of Education and Regional taxes. Government grants have been reduced.

Muskoka Road 8 will be improved with 2 km from Limberlost road back being improved next Spring. Possibility that entrance of Muskoka Road 8 will be relocated between Tally Ho valley and Horseshoe Restaurant.

Council is refusing the seconday plan.

Mizpah cemetery is being cleaned up.

Numbering signs now cost \$8.75 plus sales tax; individual signs are \$5.00. Possibility of Sinclair-Finlayson getting a community hall. Grants are available.

Snow ploughing Oxbow Road West would be conditional upon residents parking their cars off the road. Road can be ploughed to the government dock this year, if desired, without cost.

Government dock will be cemented.

Signs for East and West Oxbow roads were asked for.

Limberlost property is now for sale. Development seems to be far off.

Lakes are tested from time to time for purity and are not too bad. Bob

Garth suggested that Oxbow Association should have tests taken.

Bob Fenwick expressed the thanks of the Association to Mr. Beamen for coming to the meeting.

A break was taken for coffee and refreshments. The Social committee was thanked, also Mr. and Mrs. John Rolls for their hospitality and the use of their cottage.

Minutes of Last Meeting: Motion: Brookson/R. Fenwick: That the minutes be taken as read. Carried.

Business from Minutes: Peter Miller suggested that the hill behind lots 31 and 32 be lowered by some 20 feet. Al Barsevich asked that Council try to use better procedures in working on the cottage road. Repairs should be in the form of gravel to the extent that the grader operator would recommend. Helen McRae said ditching is necessary.

Eileen Forrest expressed concern about boating safety. Concern was expressed about high-powered speed boats from Olympia Camp being a problem this summer, and that children are jumping off the high rocks. The executive will check with Jerry Dodds.

John Cowan suggested that cottagers make use of an inscriber that is available at the OPP in Huntsville.

Motion: Forrest/Miller: That the association purchase an inscriber for the association and that it be kept in the custody of John Cowan. Carried.

In regard to mail service, the Postmaster, Huntsville, suggested that a rural route service might be more desirable than a group box, and that a petition be submitted asking for an extension of the rural route from the 1st July to the 1st September. Three calls per mile is the requirement. Motion: Fenwick/House: That we institute a petition for extension of rural route service. Carried.

MOTION: Wylie/House: That we file the letter from the Beaumaris Association asking for support in protesting the Milford Bay development. Carried.

A courtesy letter of acknowledgment will be sent.

Barbara Paterson of Billy Bear (R.R.4, 635-1280) would be happy to have pictures, written records, etc., to assist in preparing a history of the township.

Treasurer's Report: John Cowan recommended that the dues be held at \$2.00 for the next year, as he made his report.

MOTION: Goodwin/Ringland: That the financial statement be accepted and that the dues be held at \$2.00 for the coming year. Carried.

MOTION: E. Fenwick/Garth: That the Association make a donation possibly to Fairvern in memory of Mrs. Harper, Mr. Barteaux and Mr. Hawley. Carried.

Social: Eileen Forrest reported that the ladies were playing bridge and that a tea had been held in July with another planned for August. She thanked all her committee and also the hostesses. Members present indicated their interest in having a pot luck supper at Mrs. Goodwin's cottage--lot 23--on Labour Day Saturday at 7:00 p.m. Hearty thanks were extended to Eileen and her committee.

Mrs. Hubbard asked if a list of cottagers could be provided. Bob Fenwick will try to get one together this year.

On behalf of Bill Smeaton, Bob Fenwick reported that the Hydro is working on a plan to subsidize rural rates.

Mr. Gibson thanked the Association on behalf of his mother, Mrs. Roly Barteaux, for the memorial contribution. He very kindly donated a coffee urn for the use of the Association and was thanked by all.

Irene Davis thanked the members of the Association for their visits, cards, etc., when she was ill.

Adjournment: Came at 12:15 p.m. on motion of Fenwick/Brookson. Carried.

eaf July 24, 1983 Evelyn A. Fenwick Secretary

## OX BOW COTTAGERS' ASSOCIATION

## FINANCIAL STATEMENT

## August 1, 1981 to July 31, 1982

BANK BALANCE - July 31, 1982

\$139.78

Expenses

Annual Meeting 10.65 15.00 13.39

39.04 es .60 en 25.00

Bank Service Charges Donation to Fairvern (in memory) Payment to F.O.C.A.

1981 50.00 1982 60.00 110.00

174.64

Receipts

Dues 94.00 Bank Interest 1.69

95.69

BANK BALANCE - July 31, 1982

60.83

J. J. Cowan Treasurer