

OXBOW COTTAGERS' ASSOCIATION

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1984 ANNUAL MEETING

Sunday, August 5/84

- 10:00 a.m. At the cottage of John Rolls
Please bring chairs
- 1:00 p.m. Second Annual Canoe Race
Registration at Barsevich cottage
- 1:30 p.m. Race begins
- 5:30 p.m. Social hour followed by pot luck supper at the
Barsevich cottage

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MINUTES

1983 ANNUAL MEETING

Held: Sunday, July 31st
10:00 a.m.
John Roll's cottage, #27

1. Minutes of the 1982 meeting, prepared by Evelyn Fenwick, were available at the door.
2. President J. L. Van Camp welcomed the 57 members plus some family and friends.
3. An expression of condolence was made on the death of William Wylie in late 1982.
4. Congratulations were due to Dr. Rolls, who celebrated his 96th birthday on July 12th, 1983.
5. Our Twp. Councillor, Mr. Clifford Beeman, was introduced. He brought the following:
 - a) Acid rain -- an international problem. Oxbow Lake rates about midway between no injury and complete fish kill.
 - b) Water pollution --- Lakes in this area are still okay, however, individual spots may have problems. Cottagers should send in sample bottles; available from the Department of Health, for testing by the Department of the Environment (half full bottles take 64¢ postage). Also, run the water in taps before drinking to avoid possible lead residue from plumbing.

- c) Roads are being improved. The sharp turn near the Sinclair dump will be taken out by the present re-routing. It, as well as the Billy Bear section, may be paved in 1984.

The dangerous #60, Muskoka #8 turnoff, will be taken care of by a new location on #60 near Tally-Ho. Purchase of the land involved is being made.

- d) No firm news about the Limberlost Development; still in financial mergers and litigation.

6. Members then voiced several local problems:

- a) Olympia Camp generates excessive noise after local curfew hours. This is especially objectionable to the Russells, Flecks, Ringlands and Wingfields. Mr. Beeman suggested a volume of phone calls to the Clerk, Mr. Bryant. He will also emphasize this problem to the Council.

Robert Fenwick said that he has taped records of Director Grace stating, at the initial meeting with Association representatives, that the Camp activities would be strictly land based. This has not been honoured.

- b) Water safety procedures at Olympia are very questionable. Swimmers were strung out from Olympia to the Peninsula section, with one safety boat. Other camp lake users are lightly supervised by boat, or even by bull-horn from Camp. Mr. Wingfield scoffed at a leader asking campers (with this amplifier) to "raise your arm" if in trouble!
- c) Mrs. Cowan, by phone prior to the meeting, asked that a stop sign be placed to halt traffic on the west arm road before joining the Oxbow Lodge road. Mr. Beeman urged local action to check any excessive speed on roads.
- d) Mr. Alford was pleased that the Wiley Hill had been paved. The steep hill south of the marina is still a hazard. Mr. Beeman said the Road Commission plans to lower the hill by 6 feet after the summer season. Also, winter snow ploughing will be continued.

Mr. Beeman was given a full round of applause for his report and for continued efforts in Council.

10:50 a.m. - Coffee Break

11:05 a.m. - Meeting resumed and a roll-call sheet was circulated. Members were self-introduced.

Mrs. Forrest and her committee were thanked for the coffee break hospitality.

The courtesy of Mr. and Mrs. Rolls was acknowledged for the use of their home.

7. Business from the 1982 Minutes:

- a) Scott moved and Hubbard seconded that the Minutes be taken as read. CARRIED.
- b) Mr. Cowan has available the inscriber purchased by the Ass'n.
- c) Mr. Fenwick reported that the post office would provide summer delivery to cottages if a minimum of six members per mile would sign a petition. Three miles is involved on the West Oxbow Road,

requiring 18 signatures. (NOTE: A sheet for interested members was signed by only six people).

8. Financial Report:

Mr. Cowan distributed sufficient copies of the Financial Report and a separate list of those owing back membership fees.

- a) Moved by Forrest and seconded by McBride that the Treasurer's Report be accepted. CARRIED.
- b) Moved by Gibson and seconded by Barsevich that the Treasurer be empowered to sign cheques on behalf of the Association. CARRIED.
- c) Moved by Fleck and seconded by Ringland that Mr. Cowan be re-elected and commended for his fine handling of the office for several years past. CARRIED.
- d) Mr. Cowan said that the current fee of \$2.00 per member would be adequate if back dues were met and current fees paid at close of meeting. Moved by Fenwick and seconded by Kirby that the annual dues remain at \$2.00 per annum. CARRIED.

9. Social Committee:

Mrs. Forrest reported on the 1982 activities which included two Ladies' Teas, bridge and a Potluck supper, the latter at Cowan's cottage. She asked to have Audrey Cambray nominated for 1983 Social Convenor, with the assistance of Joan Russell, Laura Wiley, Joyce Fleck and Eileen Forrest.

Two Ladies' Teas have already been arranged for this year:

July 20th - Laura Wiley's
August 17th - Joan Russell's

The bridge group meets on Tuesdays.

Moved by Forrest and seconded by House that the new Social Convenor and assistants be nominated as reported. CARRIED.

The meeting expressed their thanks to Mrs. Forrest and her Committee for the fine programs of the past several years. CARRIED BY ACCLAMATION.

Audrey Cambray asked for expression on another Potluck Supper. The response was very limited. The Committee will investigate.

10. Executive Committee Appointments:

It was noted that some Executive Committee positions were vacant, notably Roads, Water Safety and East Oxbow representative.

- a) Moved by Fleck and seconded by Russell that Al Barsevich be nominated to fill the Road Supervision position on the Executive. CARRIED BY ACCLAMATION.
- b) Moved that John Ringland be nominated for Water Safety Supervisor on the Executive. CARRIED BY ACCLAMATION.
- c) Moved by Slatter and seconded by Gunton that Doug Calder be the East Arm Representative on the Executive. CARRIED BY ACCLAMATION.

11. New Business:

- a) J. L. Van Camp stated that he was not available for nomination for President. Mr. Rolls had also stated that he would not be available. It was moved that Don Fleck be nominated for President. CARRIED BY ACCLAMATION.
- b) President Fleck took the chair and asked for comments from the members. Several indicated that cottagers should take care of local problems, where necessary. Safe driving on local roads, good water safety actions and maintenance of community spirit were stressed. The numbers at cabins should be kept visible. Fire protection by the Township is available upon calling the listed number.
- c) President Fleck expressed the thanks of the meeting to Mr. Van Camp for his service the past two years. The work of all committees and Executive members was commended for the success of the Association.
- d) Moved by Davis and seconded by Forrest that the meeting be adjourned. There being no dissent, the meeting concluded at 12:00 noon.

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FINANCIAL STATEMENT

August 1, 1982 TO July 31, 1983

RECEIPTS

Bank Balance		\$ 60.83
Dues	\$116.00	
Special Fund	21.00	
Bank Interest	1.81	<u>138.31</u>
Total Revenue		\$199.64

EXPENSES

Jan. 1983 FOCA Dues	\$60.00	
Terry Fox Fund "In Memoriam"	40.00	
R. L. Fenwick re Numbers	43.34	
C. Beaman re sign	26.25	
Engraving Tool	12.29	
Postage & Miscellaneous	3.37	
Bank Service Charges	.66	
Total Expenses		<u>185.91</u>

CURRENT BALANCE \$ 13.73

Bank Balance July 29, 1983	5.73	
Cash on Hand	<u>8.00</u>	
		13.73

J. J. Cowan
July 31, 1983