

THE MABEL HART BROOK & MARION HILL MEMORIAL FOUNDATION

MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL MEETING:

July 2, 2016

- 1. Call to Order;** Gerry Atkin, President, called the meeting to order at 9:00 am with the following directors present; Gerry Atkin, Peter Dowsett, Don Spring, Cathy Greven, Daphne Perry, Nick Baker, John Housser, Christine Jany, Brian Markham, Glen Warnica, Heather Dyer, Roger Beaman, Dennis Schettler, Carolyn Paterson, Rita Bloem, Jamie Gerson present.

There is a quorum for both director's and members.

- 2. Minutes of 2015 Meeting;** Moved by Dick Merritt, seconded by Dennis Schettler, that the Minutes of the Annual Meeting, June 27, 2015, be accepted as issued. Carried.

- 3. Financial Report;** presented by Peter Dowsett;
 - 2015 financial shows receipts of \$4193, disbursements of \$6598, for disbursements over receipts of (\$2405).
 - There is currently over \$40,000 cash on hand.
 - Copetti & Co., CGA, has reviewed the accounts this year.
 - A review accountant will be appointed for the year ending March 31, 2016, at an honorarium fixed by the Directors.
 - Moved by Peter Dowsett, seconded by Brian Markham, that the Financial Report for the year ending March 31, 2015 be accepted as presented by the Treasurer. Carried

- 4. Membership Report;** presented by Dick Merritt;
 - For 2015 (July to Dec.) there are;
 - 9 new members;
 - Paul Feasby
 - Adam, Haley, and Joel Walker
 - Brian, Eric, and Graham Gerson
 - Marilyn Spink
 - Mark Jany
 - Share transfers (74 shares were transferred)
 - For 2016 (so far this year)
 - 4 new members;
 - Mansel Properties
 - Kim Crockatt
 - Grant Mantha
 - Denise Omand
 - We are hop[ing] to do a mail merge for next years AGM notice so that we don't have to issue a list with all the members 'dues paid until' information on it.

5. Heritage Committee Report: Presented by Carolyn Patterson

- The beach is a unique property and we need to understand what it includes.
- For 2015, phase 2 of the Heritage report was started and a group was brought in to do the study, including Dirk who is an ecologist.
- As the habitat changes over time, then there are changes in the plants and animals, so phase 1 is important as a reference point.
- A great visit was held and Dirk acted as a guide to a group of Foundation members who thoroughly enjoyed the walk on the property and the interesting information on the plants and animals.
- 10 species at risk (both plant and animal) were identified including the Canada warbler, whip or whil, and snapping turtle.
- We are still not sure of the Natural Heritage status and Don Spring is to investigate as we need to ensure that we maintain our tax free status
- Paule Clifford asked if this will affect public access to the property?
- Trails can damage the property so great care must be taken to ensure that the property is maintained in pristine condition or there is a threat to the species a risk and then to our Natural Heritage status and our tax free status.
- We currently do not have any restrictions on where people can walk.
- The report is coming – they should be made available at cost and we will get the information out when it is available.
- Gerry thanked Carolyn for all the work that has been done.

6. Conservation committee report: Presented by Christine Jany

- There were no major incidents reported except for a fire that was being built on the beach – they were asked to use the fire pit. We need to remain vigilant.
- Reviewed the Beach Tidy Up schedule and asked if anyone wanted to sign up for a specific weekend.
- Christine also thanked Carolyn for all her work on the Heritage reports.

7. Nominating Committee Report; Chair Christine Jany (past-past-president)

- The proposed slate of directors for the 2016/2017 is set at 20 with the proposed slate as follows: Gerry Atkin, Nick Baker, Roger Beaman, Rita Bloem, Peter Dowsett, Heather Dyer, John Ellis, Jamie Gerson, Cathy Greven, John Housser, Christine Jany, John Kimmel, Brian Markham, Dick Merritt, Carolyn Paterson, Daphne Perry, Dennis Schettler, John Tideman, Marlene Walker, and Glen Warnica
- The members were asked if there were any further nominations, and there being none the nominations were closed and everyone voted on the members proposed for the following year, 2nd by Daphne the directors for the following year was passed.

8. Other Business;

- **Acts/contracts/bylaws;** Moved by Peter Dyer, that: All acts, contracts, by-laws, proceedings, appointments and payments enacted, made, done and taken by the Directors and Officers of the Foundation since the date of the last annual meeting, as the same are set out or referred to in the minutes of the Board of Directors or in the financial statements submitted to this meeting be and the same are hereby approved, sanctioned and confirmed. Seconded

by Dennis Crane. Carried. Peter also wanted to recognize the extensive work done by David Burgess, as he was a big part of the Foundation.

- Nick Baker , chair of the 50th anniversary committee, requested that anyone with any suggestions for activity for the 50th anniversary should contact him.
- John Houser confirmed that the plan to add chemicals to the outhouse to reduce the 'pile' was not effective and it will need to be moved. Suggested Aug 13 as a possible date, maintenance committee (Glen Warnica) to investigate and notify interested parties.
- With no other business the meeting was adjourned at approximately 9:45 am.

Gerry Atkin, President

Dick Merritt, Secretary