

**Minutes of Weyakwin Lake Cabin Owners Association (WCOA) Fall Meeting  
September 6, 2015 - 10:00 a.m.  
Weyakwin, Sask.**

**Executive Attendees:**

Carol Rowan - President  
Norma Harder - Past President  
Sandra Messett - Treasurer  
Heather Kuiack - Secretary  
John Harder - Member at Large  
Leo Lefaivre - Member at Large

**Public Attendees:**

Cabin Owners - 66  
Voting Members - 52

**Absent:**

Duane Hearn- Vice President

**1. Call to Order**

Carol Rowan called the meeting to order at 10:07 a.m.

**2. Adopt agenda**

H Kuiack/D Famulak: To approve the agenda as presented. Carried

**3. Minutes of Fall Meeting held August 31, 2014 - were approved at the May 2015 AGM**

**Approve Minutes of AGM held May 17, 2015**

M Uytterhagen/P Kirychuk: To approve the minutes as presented. Carried

**President's Report - Presented by Carol Rowan (attached)**

C Rowan/H Kuiack: To approve the President's Report as presented. Carried

**Treasurer's Report** - Presented by Sandra Messett (attached)

S Messett/J Wiggins: To approve the Treasurer's Report as presented.

Carried

**4. Miscellaneous Reports:**

**Hall Report** - Presented by Carol Rowan.

We prepared a petition to regain funding for the hall to a maximum of \$50 per property from our property tax trust account administered by NMS. That petition will be taken to La Ronge next week. The WCOA administer the hall on behalf of the property owners and as such feel strongly that property owners should contribute to the expenses generated in its operation. All residents, owners, lessees and their spouses (for at least the previous 3 consecutive months) are eligible to sign the petition and vote on the referendum question. There is a summary of signatures here so we can check it and let you know if we still need your signature.

We will be installing a gas furnace in the hall this winter to lower our heating costs. Construction should start in early January and will be completed as quickly as possible after that. We have applied for a grant to assist us with the costs, but will proceed even if we do not receive grant funding.

C Rowan/W Harnett: To approve the Hall Report as presented. Carried

**First Responders** - Presented by Norma Harder.

Norma is still waiting for a date from Kim Ann Bell for the training in September.

The AED machine donated by PCS is in the old part of the hall on the exit wall. Norma has a DVD to demonstrate the use of the AED machine if anyone wants to borrow it.

Kathleen Gordon is now a first responder.

N Harder/D Weingerber: To approve the First Responder's Report as presented. Carried

**Memorial Site** - Presented by Sandra Messett.

Plaques can be purchased for a deceased family member that was a cottage owner for a cost of \$20.

I will be looking after the purchase of plaques and have arranged for a new supplier in Saskatoon.

S Messett/C Yule: To approve the Memorial Site Report as presented.

Carried

**5. New Business:**

**Additional Sirens for Emergency Alerts**

A few people did not hear the siren on June 28, 2015 when the mandatory evacuation order was issued. There is one siren on the power pole at the hall. We are looking at 3 additional sirens, one at the north end of the subdivision, one at the south end and one closer to the public beach. We have asked Northern Municipal Services (NMS) about the process to obtain funding. They require three quotes and we asked them to obtain approval from the Ramsey Bay Cabin Owners Association (RBCOA), as required, prior to the WCOA obtaining the required three quotes. NMS indicated the RBCOA is not in favor of additional sirens but NMS may be able to get approval without agreement from the RBCOA as it is considered a public safety issue.

D Bekolay/E Rempel: To proceed with quotes for 3 sirens and installation costs for the subdivision.

Carried

**Appreciation Sign & Sign Donation Surplus**

Carol Rowan explained the sign has been erected on the Department of Highway's "right of way" with approval from the Department of Highways. Natasha Merriman, Parks, Culture and Sport (PCS) has been advised as well as Hasan Akhtar, NMS.

There was a complaint made to Natasha that the sign had been erected on parkland and had permission been granted? There was also a complaint made to Hasan about the thanks that had been given to the community members who stayed behind to assist in light of the mandatory evacuation order.

The sign recognizes those who provided support and equipment services to the firefighters including cooking, cleaning, septic, emergency medical services, bed

and breakfast accommodation, and keeping humidity levels high by watering roads and properties.

The executive finds it very disconcerting that someone would attempt to turn the good intentions for erecting the sign and giving thanks to everyone involved into a negative ploy toward the local residents that stayed to assist with that work.

The executive 's opinion is that this individual (s) should be using their energy for more constructive purposes and work toward uniting this community instead of creating more wedges to further divide it.

Members were asked how the surplus donations, approximately \$1,200 should be spent.

Suggestions included:

- Put it towards the lawyers - R Yule
- First Responders Training - C Yule
- Put into an account to be used for future fire or emergency needs - M Patterson

Carol Rowan indicated she had received an email suggesting it be donated to the family in Montreal Lake who lost their home to fire.

It was agreed that the money will be set aside for future use.

### **May 22, 2016 AGM - Members at Large & Executive Positions**

The current executive's 2 year terms are up in May, 2016. Carol Rowan suggested if anyone is interested in serving on the executive as an officer or member at large they should contact an executive member and have their name put forth at the May, AGM.

## **6. Adjournment**

R Yule: To adjourn the meeting at 10:50 a.m.

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Carol Rowan, President

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Heather Kuiack, Secretary