

Turtle Lake Watershed Inc. Board Minutes

Saturday, June 14, 2014, 10:00 A.M., Turtle Lake Mission

Attending Board Members:, Bob Gourlay, Court Peddle, Bernie Lukan, Jim Range, George Rozdilsky, Nancy Range, Dave Blackwell, Bob Leslie, Alden Halseth

Call to Order

President Jim Range called the meeting to order at 10:00 A.M. and welcomed the members.

Bob Gourlay read the minutes from April 26, 2014 Board meeting. He asked if there were any errors or omissions. It was noted the minutes were headed "Annual General Meeting, which was incorrect. Nancy Range motioned that the minutes be adopted as read and corrected, seconded by B. Lukan and carried by a show of hands.

Financial Report

Bob Gourlay reported that as of May 31, 2014, the balance of the TLWI bank account was \$8,168.17. Court Peddle motioned that the financial report be adopted, seconded by Dave Blackwell. Carried by a show of hands. Bob reported that the invoices for the 2014 TLWI Membership were sent out on June 9, 2014.

Business Arising from the minutes

Water Security Agency – Tanya Johnston

At the April 26, 2014 Board meeting, Tanya Johnston from the Water Security Agency (WSA) delivered a PowerPoint presentation that provided an overview of the jurisdiction and mission of the newly formed Water Security Agency. The presentation identified the various roles and jurisdiction of the WSA, the Health Region, the Ministry of the Environment and the Federal Ministry of Transportation.

Tanya will report back on the following questions asked by the Board:

1. What WSA resources would be available to conduct water quality testing on Turtle Lake
 - a. *If the board outlined a potential project related to the aquatic habit, she could see if there would be funding through their agency.*
2. Has there been an application to conduct Aquatic Habitat work on the marina at Sunset View?
 - a. *At present she had not received an AHPP application from Sunset View, but had from Indian Point-Golden Sands Hamlet Board.*
3. How many AHPP permits were granted in 2013 on Turtle Lake?
 - a. *In 2013 the WSA had received 26 AHPP applications.*
4. Does the municipality have any authority under Municipalities Act to manage activities on beaches or into the water course?
 - a. *Section 46 of the Municipalities Act states; Subject to any other Act, a municipality may, by bylaw, regulate the use of, or activities on any rivers, streams, watercourses, lakes and other natural bodies of water within the municipality, including the air space above and the ground below.*

Bob reported that the URL www.tlwi.ca is owned by Len Wawryk who initially set up the website in 2005. In April 2014 it came up for renewal and in the process is not directing traffic to the TLWI website. Bob has contacted Len Wawryk to reimburse Mr. Wawryk and to purchase the URL going forward. In mid June, the URL was available for purchase by the public and Bob purchased and registered the domain name on behalf of the Turtle Lake Watershed Inc. for a period of two years and a cost of \$27.30. As of June 12, 2014 the website was up and running again.

At the April 26, 2014 Board meeting, the board requested that one of the fisheries biologists from MOE be approached to present at the AGM and that the date of the AGM could be changed to Tuesday, July 29, 7:00 PM, to better accommodate their availability. Bob Gourlay contacted Gord Sedgewick, Fisheries Biologist for the Ministry of Environment and he has agreed to make a presentation to our Board and membership on Tuesday, July 29, 7:00 PM at the Turtle Lake Mission. Bob will prepare a bulletin and distribute it out to the Board members for posting and distribution in their respective communities. Bob also

suggested that where practical and email be sent out by local board members or hamlet board to their local community. Bob will announce the presentation on the website as well. John Cameron to make arrangements for the chapel and coffee.

New Business

Motion: Peddle / Lukan: To print out 100 copies of Tanya Johnston's April 26, 2014 presentation in time for distribution at the July 29 AGM. Carried

Motion: Rozdilsky/Leslie: Bob Gourlay to locate copies of the Lakeland District Zoning Bylaw, that details their policies on the private uses of public lands. (I.e. Docks, lifts, storage, events, vendors etc)

Discussion regarding the degree of oil exploration and extraction activities around Turtle Lake. The Board concluded that having someone from the Provincial Government regulatory agency would be a good choice for the 2015 AGM.

There was also a discussion about reforestation activities in the northern drainage basin of Turtle Lake. Bob volunteered to contact the Divide Forest Advisory Committee about it.

The meeting was adjourned at 11:15 A.M.:

Annual General Meeting: Tuesday, July 29, 2014 – 7:00 P.M. at the Turtle Lake Mission