

**Bass Lake Road Association (BLRA) – Draft Minutes**  
**Annual Meeting – Saturday October 7, 2017**

The Annual Meeting of the Bass Lake Road Association was held on October 7<sup>th</sup>, 2017 at Garry Beaudin's 22 people attended and there was a quorum present at the meeting.

**1 - Welcome:**

The meeting was called to order at 8:35 am, and all were welcomed.

**2 – Election of Treasurer:**

As a result of our former Treasurer's (Rebecca Lemaich) sale of her cottage, Bruce Brydon was approached to assume this position subject to the members' approval at the AGM. All members were delighted (and relieved) at the choice.

MOVED by Peter Long, seconded by Mike Leicester –

That Bruce Brydon be elected Treasurer of the BLRA, and also be named a signing officer of the association

CARRIED

**3 - Minutes:**

The minutes of the 2016 annual meeting had been distributed previously.

MOVED by Peter Long, seconded by Nancy Currell –

That the minutes of the September 3rd, 2016 meeting be approved.

CARRIED

**4 - Treasurer's Report: (Bruce Brydon)**

Two years ago, the Association noted that we needed to build up some contingency funds to handle unforeseen or major repairs to the road. To that end, the fees were raised, and that decision continues to result in a much healthier bank balance to handle these situations.

Bruce presented the treasurer's report for the 2016 – 2017 year. A total of \$16,560 was collected in fees this past year (compared with \$17,315 last year). Total expenses of \$14,173 were incurred (\$13,856 last year). Approximate cost of summer maintenance was \$4,500, additional stone and fall grade about \$1,050, winter snow removal was \$7,500 and insurance was \$750.

The opening bank balance on August 23, 2016 was \$5,278, and the closing bank balance as of August 24, 2017 was \$7,673.

MOVED by Nancy Currell, seconded by Jeff MacDonald –

That the treasurer's report for the year 2016 to 2017 be approved.

CARRIED

It was noted that everyone is up to date with their road dues with the exception of Errol Brooker, Dean Davey and Nellie Zucker.

### **5 - Road Report: (Bud Wice)**

a - Winter Contractor: Once again Paul Lambert did a good job looking after the road this past winter and we paid him \$7,500.

Paul Lambert of Foots Bay Garden will be looking after our road again for the up-coming season.....his number is 705-774-0288. His fee remains the same

b - Summer Maintenance: Summer road maintenance had to deal with the very wet spring that we had, and there were numerous pot holes to fill. All agreed that the road was in very good shape this summer.

Bud pointed out that there are 29 culverts and 2 French drains on the road, and while none needed repair / replacement this year, we should expect that some will in the future.

Also, the association applauded the continuing work of Garry and Bud with respects to the road and the garbage, as well as to Jeff MacDonald and Mike Leicester for their work on cleaning out a culvert.

c – Emergency / Special Work: None was required this past year.

### **5 – Fee Structure**

The membership was in agreement that the current fee structure was appropriate and realistic, and voted to maintain it at its current levels for the coming year.

MOVED by Peter Long, seconded by Nancy Currell –

That the fees for the 2017 to 2018 year be set as follows:

- Summer use only - \$360
- Year Round use – \$480 - first half of the road (Kociuba's), and
- Year Round use beyond Kociuba's - \$600

CARRIED

NOTE: If you have not submitted your road payment, please do so by October 8, 2016. Please make out your cheque payable to Bass Lake Road Association and mail to: Bruce Brydon, 133 Mount Albert Road, Holland Landing, ON, L9N 1K4

### **6 - Work Day:**

The annual workday was held immediately after this meeting, and focussed on cutting back growth along the road, and cleaning out several culverts.

### **7 – Elections:**

The BLRA holds its elections in even-numbered years. Next year is election year.

**8 - Other Business:**

a – Kelly Shires: So far this year, the bottle drop has raised about \$ 1,200

b – Member Compensation - Last year, the members approved reimbursing “paid up members ... to offset their expenses”. That arrangement was to be reviewed this year. The members agreed unanimously that this was working very well, and thanked Garry and Bud for their continuing diligence.

c – Signage – As noted above, the “private road” sign purchased in 2015 had been stolen. The members decided not to replace it.

d – Garbage – Garbage is picked up from the bins on Mondays and Thursdays. It was noted that we could all do a better job in pushing our garbage to the back of the bin, flattening cartons, etc. The District of Muskoka is responsible for garbage collection, and our District Councillor, Phil Harding, is chair of the committee responsible, His email is phil.harding@muskokalakes.ca

e – Speed: SLOW DOWN !!

**Adjournment:**

MOVED by Peter Long, seconded by all –

That the annual meeting of the BLRA be adjourned.

CARRIED

The meeting was terminated at 9:35 am