

**BBR Lakes Association
Executive Meeting**

Saturday, October 13, 2018 10:00 am

Minutes

Executive attendees:

Marie-Hélène Goulet, Rob Saxe, Jean-Louis Breton, Micheline Lapointe, François Leclerc, Gilles Morin, Carrie Harrison-Viau

Absent:

Armin Ley

1. Welcome

At 10:10 the President, Marie-Hélène, welcomed the members.

2. Approval of the Agenda

Motion was made to add three items:

- Under *Treasurer's Report* – Cut-off date for producing financial report
- Under *Environment* – Garbage collection
- Under *Varia* – Recruiting new association members

Jean-Louis motioned to accept the additions. Rob seconded the motion.

3. Approval of Minutes from Fall Executive Meeting

A question was raised and answered regarding what is covered by the Association's liability insurance. Gilles motioned to approve the minutes. Marie-Hélène seconded the motion.

4. Treasurer's Report

Bank Account:

An update was provided by Micheline on the status of the Association's bank account. Originally the bank account had been moved from the Caisse Populaire to TD Bank in Le Plateau in August 2018. Due to poor customer service, a decision was made by Micheline and Marie-Hélène to move the bank account to the RBC bank in Shawville in September 2018. The new RBC account is a Community and Non-for-Profit Account with a monthly fee of \$3.75 and 15 free transactions per month.

Association membership fees:

To date, only 65% of the annual Association members' fees have been collected. A discussion took place on the pros and cons of changing the Association's fiscal year time frame. The Executive decided to keep the current fiscal year time frame which runs from July 1st to June 30th.

Action: Micheline will send out a reminder email to delinquent Association members to remind them their annual association fee, which covers the period July 1, 2018 to June 30, 2019, is overdue and that the option to pay by e-transfer has been reinstated.

5. Environment

Water analysis:

Testing of water in lac Brême near where garbage dumped on Lionel Beausoleil will take place this Fall to determine if the water quality has been impacted by the garbage.

Beavers:

A beaver(s) has built a dam on Ruthledge. Gilles intends to break the dam to avoid issues with water levels and flow on the lake.

Garbage sites:

Water testing will take place this Fall on Brême near garbage dumping site. If results indicate a decrease in water quality, the Association will contact the municipality to advise them and seek assistance on this matter.

Trees:

Rob will send an email to the municipality asking if the Association can place a custom order rather than having to receive a pre-set amount as the Association received more trees than members had requested which resulted in leftover trees. If the municipality cannot accept custom orders then Rob will cancel the Association's participation in this program.

Broken Floating Dock:

There is a broken floating dock floating around on Brême.

Action: A letter will be sent to the owner requesting them to remove their broken floating dock from the lake.

6. Roads

Jean-Louis will be sending a letter to both the municipalities of Pontiac and La Pêche requesting that the unpaved section of Lionel Beausoleil Drive that runs from the paved section heading into Wolf Lake to the paved section heading into Quyon be paved. This section of Lionel Beausoleil raises safety concerns as this is the primary road for emergency vehicles (police, fire, ambulance) to travel when responding to emergency calls.

7. Security

François indicated that there have been several, recent bear sightings in the area but no reports of harm or damage.

Action: Emails sent to the Association's website that raise security concerns will be forwarded to François for his awareness and action if necessary.

8. Website

The website requires some updates.

Action:

- (1) Determine if possible for Executive members to be notified when new notifications received on Association's Facebook page.**
- (2) Security contact address needs to be updated.**
- (3) Executive membership list of names needs to be updated.**

9. Varia

Fall Newsletter:

The Executive has decided to create a Fall newsletter for Association members in addition to the Spring newsletter.

Defibrillator:

Following a request for consideration by an Association member, the Executive will look into the feasibility of installing a defibrillator for use by cottagers on the three lakes.

Noise:

The Executive has received noise complaints related to dogs. Gilles will contact the municipality to determine the procedures on how noise complaints are responded to.

Garbage:

Cottagers living on Lionel Beausoleil received a request from the contractor responsible for garbage collection to put their garbage bins on the east side of the road rather than the west side to make it easier and faster for the contractor to pick up their garbage. As putting their bins on far side of the road presented a safety hazard for residents as well as increasing the possibility that their bins could be lost or stolen, Gilles followed up with the municipality to determine if this change had been sanctioned by them. The municipality indicated that they had not sanctioned this change and that they would notify the contractor that the

cottagers' bins are to continue to be picked up on the west side of the road (adjacent to their properties).

Recruiting:

In an effort to recruit new Association members, the following activities will be considered/undertaken:

- Produce Spring and Fall newsletter
- Create Lake Association information pamphlet for new property owners
- Install an announcement billboard at the entrance to Gerard Joannis

10. Adjournment

Marie-Hélène motioned to adjourn the meeting. Motion was seconded by Carrie. Meeting was adjourned at 12:30. The date for the next Executive meeting to be determined.