

Annual General Meeting July 11, 2014 Municipal Hall Lac des Seize Iles

The ninth annual general meeting of Friends/Amis was called to order at 7:15 P.M. Chris Campbell, President, introduced the members of the Board and welcomed our new members: Cathy Mavriplis, Marie Eve Bonneville, and Andy Roy.

There were approximately 35 members in attendance.

Secretary: Mary Campbell

The minutes of the 2013 AGM were accepted as read. Proposed by Hal Myers and seconded by Jacques Causse.

Committee Reports

Membership: Mary Campbell

Our membership numbers are still strong and remain steady.

All members whose 3 year membership had expired were notified and we got a great response with renewals.

At meeting time we already had 68 members for 2014, which is a strong start for so early in the season. We expect a good number to come in at the AGM.

In the spring of 2015, all expiring 3 year memberships will be notified.

Financial: Bill Clelland

It was moved by Suzanne Causse and seconded by Mike Bourne to accept the financial report.

Environment:

The milfoil continues to proliferate in the new wharf area in the village. This is being picked up on propellers and is being spread down the lake.

Calendars:

The calendars have arrived and are again being sold for \$15.00. We will have 300 calendars to sell as well as a few tote bags. Since this is our only fundraiser, we urge everyone to buy a calendar. They also make great holiday gifts!

Land Use: Dave Logan

Chris Campbell spoke on behalf of Dave Logan. The Municipality is beginning work on the Urban Plan, which is critical to future of Sixteen Island Lake. Friends/Amis would like to help with the creation of an urban plan in any way we can and Dave Logan will set up a meeting with David Estall, the councillor in charge of the Urban Plan.

Website and Vintage boat Show: Geoff Cresswell

Geoff and Clea will continue to work on:

- 1. Developing a photo gallery,
- 2. Setting up auto emails for contacting members,
- 3. Will research Pay Pal for paying memberships.
- 4. Posting minutes and communications to the website

Vintage Boat Show

Is a cooperative effort of the Association, the Club and the municipality for the 100th anniversary. Friends/Amis's \$1000 sponsorship will be used for flags for the boats and T-shirts for the volunteers as well as publicity fliers. Blair Prentice designed the logo for the flags. The crew at both locations, the club and the village, will be youth volunteers from the club.

Municipal: Chris Campbell and Bill Clelland

Chris: The Municipal election of 2013 was a major success for us. We were able to determine problems with registration prior to the election and together worked hard to assure that everyone would be able to vote.

Bill: The main issue over the last few months has been the landslide. All monies for the initial cleanup came from the Prov. of Quebec Public Security. Volunteers from our municipality as well as other places worked for three Saturdays to provide the manpower for the major cleanup. The municipality is waiting on word about funding for the removal of the blue cottage which is half submerged in the lake. They are also looking at all possible avenues for funding the restoration of the landslide site. Our municipality does not have the money to do the work alone. The fact that we are considered a devitalized community (based on permanent residents) may help.

There is a two month environmental window starting in mid July for the cleanup of the East side to not impact the fish.

The idea for public washrooms along the 364 has been altered to upgrading and using the washrooms in the municipal center for the public. With grants already in place, the lower cost will benefit the taxpayers. This will be part of an overall plan for maintaining the City Hall.

Recognition of Members:

Friends/Amis is a volunteer organization. We would like to recognize three of our member volunteers for all that they have done since the beginning of the association

Lucie Barbeau

While on the council, Lucie became the environmental conscience of the municipality.

She helped get F/A started. She participated in other environmental groups including on the executive of the Rouge River watershed group.

She was our watch person on Bluegreen algae. When not on the council she was active in F/A environmental committee and a member of F/A board until she answered the call to run for council once again.

She has and continues to be dedicated to the preservation of the lake and community. We are proud to honor Lucie for all her hard work.

Corina Lupu

Corina was instrumental in getting Biofila to do the first phase of the comprehensive study of the lake and watershed commissioned by F/A. It was a bargain deal with much of the field work being done by volunteers from the lake including much in the water diving surveys and data collection. She even paused to take a photo of the underside of a water lily which was subsequently featured full page on in the F/A calendar. Further work with Biofila and the municipality resulted in the complete watershed report which will be used extensively for the urban plan. She left the board of F/A to assume the position of council member for sector 5. She is dedicated to the preservation of the lake. We are proud to honor Corina for her hard work.

Tim Boswell

This year marks the seventh year that Tim has published the F/A calendar. Each year has been different. New layout, new format and averaging nearly 50 photos per calendar. Tim contributed many photos, took it from concept to finished calendar and arranged for the printing at little or no cost. Tim also has been the go to person for F/A graphic needs such as our logo, and for other organizations on the lake. Tim is dedicated to the preservation of the lake and has published 7 calendars with close to 350 photos to show the beauty of our Sixteen Island Lake. Also thanks to all the contributing photographers! We are proud to honor Tim for his dedication and hard work.

Election of New Officers:

Nominations include:

President: Bill Clelland
Vice President: Dave Logan
Secretary: Louise Lorange
Treasurer: Jacques Causse

Members at Large: Cathy Mavriplis, Marie Eve Bonneville, and Andy Roy

As there were no nominations from the floor, it was moved by Lyndan Warner and seconded by Pieter Folmer that the slate of officers be accepted. Motion was passed.

President, Bill Clelland, thanked outgoing president and founder, Chris Campbell. Chris was presented with a parting gift from the board members, past and present, and plans to remain active in the association.

Adjournment

As there was no further business, the meeting was adjourned: moved by Tom Cresswell and seconded by Brent Thiele.

Respectfully submitted, Mary T Campbell Secretary