

APPROVED MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING HELD AT LAC BATAILLE BEACH JULY 9, 1995

The President called the meeting to order at 10:15 am.

1.0 ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

Proposed by: Marc Aurèle Vincent **Seconded by:** Carmen Sauvé

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2.0 ADOPTION OF THE MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF JULY 10TH, 1994

Proposed by: Emile Zikiskouski

Seconded by: Althean Fraser UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED

3.0 PRESIDENT'S AND TREASURER'S REPORT

3.1 President's Report

Odette Surch states that members of the Executive Committee focused on the boating regulations during the past year. Other issues are as follows.

3.1.1 Buoys

After consultation with the Canadian Coast Guard, the President explains the problems that may arise by installing buoys on the lakes. Before proceeding with the project, more legal opinions need to be obtained.

3.1.2 Gate at Lac Bataille Beach

The gate has been locked since July 1st and will remain so until September 1st. Property owners from all lakes in the domain who need to use the facility can communicate with the members listed in the July 1995 *Newsletter* or the names posted at the gate. Visitors' boats and those of renters will not be accepted. Sea-doo owners from Bataille and Rhéume will be tolerated; others will be refused access. Everyone must abide by the recommended speed limits. These new initiatives are unanimously approved.

3.1.3 The Mine

The mine is filled and the problem appears to be solved. The Ministry of Environment could provide small trees to regenerate the site. Unfortunately, there is still oily water around the mail boxes which is seeping through the rocks and not the mine.

3.1.4 Recycling

Camille Brisson has agreed to look into recycling at the Municipal level and will report back at the next Executive Committee meeting.

3.1.5 Roads

It appears that not much is to be done to improve our roads with the exception of normal, general maintenance for the coming year. Margaret Carey, our District Councillor, reviews problems encountered at the municipal level. The Mayor, who is also present, is willing to answer questions after the meeting.

3.1.6 Stocking of Lakes

For the fifth time in six years the Association will invest \$3,000 to stock Battle, Barnes, Rhéaume and Maskinongé with 6,000 rainbow trout.

3.1.7 What is happening to our lakes?

The President reminds members of the assembly concerning the quality of the water and to take proper measures in order to protect the environment. She also makes reference to David Kerluke's article. David Kerluke explains that the water of all the lakes contains some bacteria and therefore could be at risk.

Water tests can be made at the Filtration Plant, 850 Notre Dame Street, Gatineau, Québec, telephone 663-7345 (the cost is \$35 to \$40); or through the Municipality of Val-des-Monts, 457-9400.

3.1.8 Fire Restrictions

Open fires are not permitted although barbecues are allowed. Depending on the fire index, camp fires may be forbidden. The President informs the members that should a fire occur, the culprit will be responsible for all costs (fire fighting, damages, clean-up, etc.).

3.1.9 Wild Animals

The authorized trapper for beavers is Mr. Boucher at 827-1567. As for other wild animals, the necessary measures must be taken regarding garbage that attracts them.

3.2 Treasurer's Report

The Treasurer, France Joncas, briefly reviews the financial statements (copy attached).

Proposed by: Annette Moison **Seconded by:** Lawrence Surch

UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED

4.0 MEMBERSHIP

France Joncas informs participants that the Association had 225 paid members for 1994 out of a possible 450. In addition, the current number of paid memberships for 1995 is now at 118. She also notes that all property owners receive the *Newsletter* whether they have paid their membership fees or not.

5.0 GUIDELINES FOR BOATS ON OUR LAKES

David Hodgkin explains the situation. Some members are concerned about the 75 km limit at 45 metres from shore. One member suggests that the islands be included in the protection zone. Much discussion takes place and the following amendments are presented.

A first amendment is **proposed by** Yvon Brosseau is as follows:

THAT a zone extending 60 metres from the shore in which all motorized water craft are limited to a speed of $10 \, \text{km/h}$. Water skiers taking off on a trajectory perpendicular to the shore and leading directly into the $40 \, \text{km/h}$ area are exempted.

Seconded by: Denise Germain

A vote is called: 52 in favour; 4 against CARRIED

A second amendment is **proposed by** Laurent Roy:

THAT beyond the 60 metres from shore that the maximum speed be 40 km/h but water craft towing skiers be allowed a maximum speed of 60 km/h.

Seconded by: Yvon Brosseau

A vote is called: 55 in favour; 9 against CARRIED

A third amendment is **proposed by** Yvon Brosseau:

THAT all the islands be included in 60 metre shore protection zone and that the maximum speed limit be 10 km/h.

Seconded by: Laurent Roy

A vote is called: 5 in favour; 59 against DEFEATED

The President puts forward the boating regulation motion for vote by ballot. The motion, including all adopted amendments, is as follows:

THAT a protection zone extending **60 metres** from the shore in which all motorized water craft are limited to a speed of **10 km/h**. Water skiers taking off on a trajectory perpendicular to the shore and leading directly into the 40 to 60 km/h area are exempted.

THAT beyond 60 metres from shore the maximum speed is **40 km**/ with the exception of water craft towing skiers whereby the maximum speed limit is **60 km/h**.

Proposed by: Yvon Brosseau **Seconded by:** Laurent Roy

Results of the vote by ballot: 74 in favour; 7 against

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A revised map which includes all the amendments will be drafted.

6.0 SOCIAL ACTIVITIES

Members of the Committee will tabulate the recommendations indicated on the surveys. Members are encouraged to put forward their suggestions.

7.0 RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE ASSEMBLY TO THE EXECUTIVE

High priority for the environment is the main purpose of the Association. An official letter should be sent to the municipality concerning the roads and the inadequate responses to our various communications. Members are insisting that a strategic plan, at the Municipal level, be made available if one already exits; if not, one should be drafted.

8.0 A WORD FROM OUR MUNICIPAL REPRESENTATIVES

See minuted item 3.1.5, Roads.

9.0 ELECTION OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

Marc-Aurèle Vincent presides over the elections.

President France Joncas

Proposed by: Odette Surch

Seconded by: Denise Germain **ELECTED BY ACCLAMATION**

Secretary David Rideout

Proposed by: Odette Surch

Seconded by: Denise Germain **ELECTED BY ACCLAMATION**

Treasurer David Hodgkin

Proposed by: France Joncas

Seconded by: Odette Surch ELECTED BY ACCLAMATION

Representatives for Lac Rhéaume

Jim Dale

Proposed by: Gil Boyce

Seconded by: Laurent Roy ELECTED

Representatives for Lac Rhéaume (continued)

Line Mongeon

Proposed by: Orland Matton

Seconded by: Herman Strober ELECTED

Tom Hayes

Proposed by: J.C. Brissette

Seconded by: Lawrence Surch ELECTED

Representative for Lac Barnes

To be announced.

Representative for Lac Louise

Ronald Fortin

Proposed by: Guy Audette

Seconded by: Odette Surch ELECTED

10. OTHER BUSINESS

France Joncas, the new President, addresses the members. Jean-Louis Allard thanks Odette Surch for her excellent work over the years, as well as the Executive for their efforts.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 12:50 pm.

Denise Taschereau Secretary