

**APPROVED MINUTES  
ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING  
SUNDAY, JULY 21, 2019  
J.A. PERKINS COMMUNITY CENTRE  
17 DU MANOIR ROAD  
VAL-DES-MONTS, QC**



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**Registration:** 9:30 a.m.

**Executive Committee Members in Attendance:**

Constance Hudak (President), Alain Mercier (Vice-President), Jens Urban (Secretary), Jeff Hannah (Treasurer) and Laurent Roy (Director).

**Board Members in Attendance:**

Luc Fournier, John Smart, John Smith, Shane Livingstone, Rick Legault, Elaine Carisse (at beginning of meeting), Chris Hemmingway.

**Board Members' Regrets:**

Clayton Devine, Flamur Canaj, André Cossette and Paul Chedore.

**Guests:**

Jacques Laurin, Mayor, Municipality of Val-des-Monts; Claude Bergeron, Councillor District 3.

The attendance sheet had signatures from 40 property owners (see attachment # 1).

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For ease of reference, the Minutes are presented in Agenda order.

The President called the meeting to order at 9:40 a.m. and welcomed all participants to the Annual General Meeting of the Association.

**1.0 APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA**

- MOVED BY:** *Odette Surch*  
**SECONDED BY:** *Luc Fournier*

**THAT the Agenda be approved as presented.**

**UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED**

## 2.0 APPROVAL OF THE JULY 22, 2018 ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING MINUTES

- ❑ **MOVED BY:** *Laurent Roy*  
**SECONDED BY:** *Claude Bergeron*

**THAT the July 22, 2018 Annual General Meeting Minutes be approved as presented.**

**UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED**

## 3.0 PRESIDENT'S REPORT AND RECOMMENDATIONS

Constance began the meeting by remembering late Board member Tony Bernard, who passed away earlier this year. Tony gave a lot of his free time to do excellent work for the Association over the years, and he will be greatly missed by all of his friends at Association PSSL.

No other significant news occurred during the past year, the relationship with the mayor and the councillor are good and the municipality and the Association keep each other informed. The Association is always concerned about any developments and potential logging activities by Lauzon, but everything seems quiet at the moment. Constance encouraged members to bring any issues forward to the Association and/or Councillor Claude Bergeron.

Constance then answered some questions by the members:

- Question: Are there any news about milfoil?  
Answer: The FLVDM did some testing of our lakes earlier in the year, and no sign of milfoil was discovered.
- Question: Is the signage on the waterfront on Lac Corrigan necessary?  
Answer: If the signs are too aggressive, they can be removed, but Association members should keep an eye on keeping the waterfront clear and not store boats there or make fires.
- Question: Is there a public beach on Lac Barnes?  
Answer: On all lakes there are access points to get to the water, and they are often mentioned in the deed to the property. However, these access points are usually only a few feet wide. The only beach that can be accessed by all members is the one on Lac Bataille, which is owned by the Association.

The Mayor of Val-des-Monts, Jacques Laurin, and the Councillor of Ward 3, Claude Bergeron were present to give updates and to answer questions.

Claude started by greeting everyone and by saying that he is always open to hear about any issues directly.

He reminded everyone that this year 31 roads were flooded in the spring and that there were still 4-6 weeks of delays for construction to fix them. The municipality is currently fighting with the province on special flooding zones (at MacGregor Lake) in order to determine on the construction and repairs to be done.

As for garbage and compost, in 2018 Val-des-Monts had 28% less garbage due to the composting program. However, the province mandates a 40% reduction by 2021. Once reached, the municipality will receive a refund from the province. In general, the composting program is less successful in areas with many seasonal residents. Also, the sewage inspectors are inspecting the compost usage at the same time. Finally, recycling is becoming a major issue for the municipality, since it is difficult to find companies who will take it. The cost went up significantly in the last few years.

Finally, Claude announced that the municipality has purchased the land around Nakkertok North and invested \$30,000 in trail maintenance. It is open free to Val-des-Monts residents for hiking and cross-country skiing.

Claude then answered some questions by the members:

- Question: How can the municipality check compost if someone brings the compost to the city?  
Answer: It would be too difficult to monitor. Claude suggests to throw in a little bit into the compost, like leaves, just to show that it is being used.
- Question: Is there any known trouble with bears?  
Answer: No. Racoons might be interested in the compost, but moving the compost away from the house or leaving it accessible to simply let the racoons take it away could be options. The municipality sells the compost bins at a reasonable price. The municipality also just introduced a new type of composter (“the Cone”), which can also compost meat leftovers and bones (it needs to be buried 18 inches). It can be purchased for around \$80 at the municipality.
- Question: When will the culverts that were destroyed by flooding be replaced?  
Answer: It is in the process, and for some bigger projects, the municipality is waiting for provincial emergency funding. For specific culverts, please contact Claude.
- Question: Does the municipality know anything about Lauzon’s logging or development plans?  
Answer: There are no known plans for developments, despite Lauzon’s websites. Lauzon owns around 6,000 hectares in Val-des-Monts, but no developments plans have been filed with or approved by the municipality. With the upcoming MRC plan, it is doubtful that Lauzon will file anything on time, especially given the high costs of having to build roads to municipal standard around multiple swamps.
- Question: When taking down a temporary garage, has the structure to be removed as well?  
Answer: Yes, for the “tempos”, the structure and the tarp have to be removed between April 15 and October 15 of each year.

Mayor Jacques Laurin greeted everyone and added a few points:

- The municipality went for home composting because of the sheer size of the community and associated costs for compost pick-up. This also saves about 150 tons of greenhouse gases a year, since no garbage trucks have to pick it up.
- 18,000 bags of sand were filled by volunteers during the floods, the Army helped as well fill 4,000 bags.

- The flooding zone issue between the municipality and the province affects MacGregor Lake. If it were declared flood zone, it would make the properties of the owners there valueless.
- One bridge was lost during the flooding.
- A permit has been issued to demolish the old restaurant at the entrance of Perkins.
- The burned-out house on the hill in Perkins is before the courts right now for suspected arson/insurance fraud.

#### 4.0 TREASURER'S REPORT

Jeff explained that there was a big hole in documentation from the time David Hodgkin was sick and Jeff took over. All of the bookkeeping was switched over online to Quickbooks and is largely automated now (particularly with respect to PayPal).

The deficit last year was largely due to partial information from David and the fish stocking for 2 years at once.

The only extraordinary expense were the new street signs. Jeff answered some questions by the members:

- Question: What were the donations for?  
Answer: They were for Tony's funeral and for David while he was in hospital (Netflix membership for one year).
- Question: What was the event income?  
Answer: Those were the donations from the regatta.
- Question: What are the trapping costs for?  
Answer: The Association had to have 2 beavers trapped, since they flooded a PSSL road. Had the dam been on public land, the municipality would have had to pay for it.
- Question: Does PSSL have reserves?  
Answer: Yes, the Association has \$6,000 investments in the bank.

#### 4.1 2018 Financial Statements

Jeff Hannah briefly reviewed the *2018 Financial Statement* (see Attachment #2) and there were no questions.

☐ **MOVED BY: Rick Legault**  
**SECONDED BY: Steve Pankhurst**

**THAT the Association's *Financial Statement for 2018* be approved as presented to paid members and previously recommended by the Board of Directors.**

**UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED**

## 4.2 Projected 2019 Budget

Jeff Hannah briefly presented the *Projected 2019 Budget* (see Attachment #3).

- ❑ **MOVED BY:** *Luc Fournier*  
**SECONDED BY:** *Irma Bigras*

**THAT the Association's *Projected 2019 Budget* be approved as presented.**

**UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED**

## 5.0 REPORTS FROM THE BOARD COMMITTEES

### 5.1 Communications

Constance Hudak thanked the publication team around Cynthia for the *Newsletter*, especially Cynthia Hamady, Rick Legault and Odette Surch.

She asked all members to please visit the businesses of the sponsors.

### 5.2 Property Holdings and Issues

Laurent Roy once again thanked the late Tony Bernard for an excellent job on the files. Only one small transaction had gone through this year (a Right of way), otherwise the trapper had to be hired to catch the 2 beavers due to the flooding issue.

### 5.3 Environment

Chris Hemmingway thanked Doug Holden and all volunteers for organizing the water testing this year. The water quality is excellent as usual, the *E.coli* numbers from last year were good (this year's samples still to be taken). Phosphorus tests were done except for Bataille and Chevreuil, where volunteers are still needed for next year.

- Question: Can Phosphorus testing still be done on the 2 missing lakes for this year?  
Answer: No, unfortunately it has to be done a week after ice-out. However, there is nothing to suggest any issues or elevated levels this year.
- Question: What is the testing done by the FLVDM?  
Answer: The FLVDM is doing follow-up testing from COBALI 2006/07. The research is done by students. The Association is a member of the FLVDM again, after several years or organizational uncertainty of the FLVDM (Val-des-Monts Lake Federation).

Claude Bergeron adds that this is also being done within the framework of the water masterplan for the Lièvre River. One issue is to map out any milfoil infestations (none in PSSL lakes so far).

- Question: Various organizations are fighting milfoil. Can we take part as PSSL?  
Answer: We are waiting for results from the FLVDM study (no milfoil so far in PSSL lakes) and we can then join them in fighting it. Chris points out to also watch out for wild parsnip, which is an increasing issue along the 366.

#### 5.4 Membership

Jeff and Jens are still working out some kinks, but if you are not sure if you have paid, please contact one of them.

#### 5.5 Recreation and Social Activities

Jens Urban reported that the annual regatta will take place as usual, and the corn roast as well.

### 6.0 ELECTION OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS

a) Laurent Roy chaired the election.

- **Constance Hudak** was nominated as *President* by **Odette Surch** and **Irma Bigras** for a two (2) year term.
- **Jens Urban** was nominated as *Secretary* by **Luc Fournier** and **Irma Bigras** for a two (2) year term.
- **Luc Fournier** was nominated as *Bataille Lake Representative* by **Claude Bergeron** and **Shane Livingstone** for a two (2) year term.
- **Élaine Carisse** was nominated as *Bataille Lake Representative* by **Richard Legault** and **Constance Hudak** for a two (2) year term.
- **John Smart** was nominated as *Bataille Lake Representative* by **William Miller** and **Richard Legault** for a two (2) year term.
- **Harry Jones** was nominated as *Rhémaume Lake Representative* by **Jens Urban** and **Richard Legault** for a two (2) year term.
- **John Smith** was nominated as *Rhémaume Lake Representative* by **Monique Oaks** and **Jens Urban** for a two (2) year term.
- **Benoit Leclair** was nominated as *Rhémaume Lake Representative* by **Luc Fournier** and **Richard Legault** for a two (2) year term.
- **Flamur Canaj** was nominated as *Barnes Lake Representative* by **Monique Oaks** and **Jens Urban** for a two (2) year term.

- **Richard Bourassa** was nominated as *Épinettes Lake Representative* by **Monique Oaks** and **Richard Legault** for a two (2) year term.
- **Paul Chedore** was nominated as *Corrigan Lake Representative* by **Monique Oaks** and **Richard Legault** for a two (2) year term.
- **Michael Tancrede** was nominated as *Corrigan Lake Representative* by **Jens Urban** and **Monique Oaks** for a two (2) year term.

**All the aforementioned candidates were elected by ACCLAMATION.**

- b) Chevreuil Lake and Maskinongé Lake remain without representation.

Special thanks to the outgoing board members Tony Bernard, Doug Holden and Richard Legault!

## 7.0 OTHER BUSINESS

- Question: Can we invite a notary for advice on Quebec wills?  
Answer: We had a notary write an article in the newsletter a few years ago, but will see if we can invite one to the next AGM.
- Question: Who is responsible for controlling waterways?  
Answer: The mayor answered that he is on a committee to discuss the possible transfer of authority of small waterways to the municipalities. Federal election candidates are also being approached to see what their views are.

There being no further business, the Annual General Meeting was adjourned at 11:30 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

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Jens Urban, Secretary

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Constance Hudak, President

Attachment # 1



2019 AGA PSLL AGM 2019

Nom/Name	Lac/Lake	Adresse/Address
Hilleg Chapados	Bataille	15 ch. des EPÉRUIERS
Phillips Rivard	Bataille	19 ch. des Éperuis
Dennis Bergeron	Bataille	86 ch. du lac Bataille
Nelson Cogle & Pam Connelly	Bataille	19 rue du Cormoran
Karen Hansen-Hendrel	Barnes	36 ch. du lac Barnes
J J Mart	Bataille	76 ch. M J M R
S. Livingston	Bataille	80 ch. du lac Bataille
KEN LANGF	Rheume	50 ch. des BÉCÉS-SÈRE
Chauq KHANJi	Coréjan	68 ch. Coréjan
John Pien / Margue Toupin	Rheume	5 Hartang
Renee Morneau	Rheume	510 ch. Chêne Rouge
William Miller	Bataille	22 des Mornoux
Richard & Theria Murphy	Rheume	522 ch. Chêne Rouge
CYNTHIA HAMARD	BARNES	147 ch. DU LAC BARNES
Bruce + Jaze Holden	Rheume	15 ch. McNicoll
Steve + Manon Oakes	Rheume	31 ch. Basile
STAGLANKMUST	Lac BATAILLE	28 ch. du GRAND PÈC
Anne Ricard	Lac Bataille	28 Chemin grill
Carl Surland	Lac Bataille	28 Chemin grill
Heather Soam	Lac Rheume	





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Nom/Name	Lac/Lake	Adresse/Address
Laurent Roy	Rheume	60 canari Val des Monts QC J8N6J7
Alan Mercul	Maskinonge	58 Maskinonge - Val des Monts QC J8N6J5
John Smith	Rheume	58 Rhéoune VDM J8N6L5
Russ Urban	Bataille	604 Blackburn
FRANCE CORRIVEAU	BATAILLE	674 Blackburn
Luc Fournier	BATAILLE	40 ALOUETTES
Shelley & Genevieve Surck	Bataille	818 Blackburn
Bruno Fortin	BATAILLE	30 BATAILLE J8N6G6
Mike Fortin	Rheume	19 Presbiteri
Charon Bernard	Rheume	22 Hanfang des Neiges
Aileen Lamont	Rheume	40 Canari
Sylvie Bigas	Bataille	31, chemin du Grand-Pic J8N6G5
Irma Bigas	Bataille	25, chemin du Grand-Pic J8N6G5
MICHAEL TAUREGON	CURRICAN	609, 484 boul des hautes plaines
ANNE NAJOS	Bataille	657 ch. Blackburn.
Benoit Leclerc	Rheume	38, Hanfang des Neiges.
Georges Proulx	Rheume	26 Hanfang des Neiges.
CLAUDE BERGERON	MASKINONGE	67 Maskinonge VDM.
LYNN RICK LEGAULT	Rheume	10 ch. du Hanfang des Neiges
Chris Henningson	Truite	29. ch. Mathias-Pachars.

## Attachment # 2

### Association PSLL

#### BALANCE SHEET

As of July 20, 2019

	TOTAL
<b>Assets</b>	
Current Assets	
Cash and Cash Equivalent	
Cash on hand	362.00
Desjardins de Gatineau (-PCA)	14,846.68
Desjardins de Gatineau (-SHR)	5.00
Desjardins de Gatineau (-TS1)	2,000.00
Desjardins de Gatineau (-TS3)	4,000.00
PayPal Clearing Account	2,712.53
<b>Total Cash and Cash Equivalent</b>	<b>\$23,926.21</b>
Uncategorized Asset	1.97
<b>Total Current Assets</b>	<b>\$23,928.18</b>
<b>Total Assets</b>	<b>\$23,928.18</b>
<b>Liabilities and Equity</b>	
Liabilities	
<b>Total Liabilities</b>	
Equity	
Opening Balance Equity	24,486.94
Retained Earnings	-7,401.76
Profit for the year	6,843.00
<b>Total Equity</b>	<b>\$23,928.18</b>
<b>Total Liabilities and Equity</b>	<b>\$23,928.18</b>

Attachment #3

**Association PSLL  
Profit and Loss**

Partial data starting July 2018

	<u>2018</u>	<u>2019 to date</u>	<u>2019 projected</u>
<b>INCOME</b>			
<b>Non-Profit Income</b>			
Advertising in Newsletter		900.00	1,100.00
Events	720.00	0.00	0.00
Fish Stocking Contributions	2,445.00	50.00	1,500.00
Membership Dues	13,770.00	6,300.00	14,000.00
Merchandise	75.00	0.00	500.00
misc. Non-Profit Income	1,090.00	1,135.01	1,135.01
<b>Total Non-Profit Income</b>	<b>\$ 18,100.00</b>	<b>\$ 8,385.01</b>	<b>\$ 17,735.01</b>
<b>Total Income</b>	<b>\$ 18,100.00</b>	<b>\$ 8,385.01</b>	<b>\$ 17,735.01</b>
<b>GROSS PROFIT</b>	<b>\$ 18,100.00</b>	<b>\$ 8,385.01</b>	<b>\$ 17,735.01</b>
<b>EXPENSES</b>			
Advertising	2,092.55	1,805.90	2,100.00
Bank charges	39.00	14.00	80.00
Charitable contribution	364.45		
Dues and Subscriptions	543.75		550.00
Event Expenses	3,533.25	937.05	3,000.00
Insurance - Liability	2,403.31		2,500.00
Office expenses	563.63		600.00
PayPal Fees	235.15	137.21	300.00
Roads	4,585.00		1,500.00
Shipping and delivery expense	395.92		400.00
Subcontractors	0.00	0.00	0.00
Fish Stocking	8,000.00		3,000.00
Trapper	287.20		
Water Testing	2,445.32	508.50	2,500.00
<b>Total Subcontractors</b>	<b>\$ 10,732.52</b>	<b>\$ 508.50</b>	<b>\$ 2,500.00</b>
Taxes and Licenses	266.24		550.00
<b>Total Expenses</b>	<b>\$ 25,754.77</b>	<b>\$ 3,402.66</b>	<b>\$ 13,530.00</b>
<b>OTHER INCOME</b>			
Interest earned	3.01	56.72	56.72
<b>Total Other Income</b>	<b>\$ 3.01</b>	<b>\$ 56.72</b>	<b>\$ 56.72</b>
<b>PROFIT</b>	<b>-\$ 7,651.76</b>	<b>\$ 5,039.07</b>	<b>\$ 4,261.73</b>