

**ACTON ISLAND ASSOCIATION
MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING
JUNE 26, 2005**

Call to Order and Welcome at 1:15

Directors Present: Gord Richards, Bob Anderson, Leslie McCann, Sally Hastings, Jim Lewis, Bruce Patterson, Bill Tannahill,

President Gord welcomed all those attending, noted Bob Anderson had volunteered to take the minutes in the absence of our secretary and explained the meeting would be in two parts: the formal General Meeting as required by our bylaws; then Stuart Martin, our District and Township Councillor would speak.

- 1.0 Gord then introduced the Directors present.
- 2.0 The President verified that the appropriate notice for this meeting was duly sent.
- 3.0 Bruce Patterson, membership director, verified that there was a quorum present.
- 4.0 Moved Jim Lewis, seconded Katharine Anderson the minutes of the Annual Meeting August 29, 2004 be approved with several spelling and name corrections. Carried.
- 5.0 Leslie McCann, treasurer, reviewed the financial statements which were available on entry. Moved by Leslie McCann, seconded by Beverley Panikkar that we approve the financial statements. Carried
- 6.0 President Gord then reviewed the actions of the Directors. He named the need for another Director and welcomed a volunteer. AIA supports Wraft - Waterfront Residents after Fair Taxation and The Muskoka Lakes Association Marine Patrol.
Moved by Gord Richards, seconded by Larry Rozak that we continue to support these two efforts with \$500 to each. Carried.
Any ideas for our newsletter would be welcome. Talk to Gord. Jim Claydon has been successful in having a 50 km/hr speed limit on the island. Bears require continued vigilance and good garbage disposal practices. Metal containers are recommended. Leslie McCann has developed an Acton Island roster available at the back. Also, pamphlets about proper septic maintenance, shoreline protection and water testing were available. The Colacci problem still exists and is being closely monitored. Jim Claydon is working on an island map, hopefully for the fall. Visit the AIA website - good links, news, listing of council members. Thanks to Steve Messenger for all his work maintaining the site. Finally, members were encouraged to visit the Lewis', 1083 Innisfree, 3 to 5 pm, July 3 for an open house. Bring an hors d'oeuvre and your beverage and meet other members.
- 7.0 President Gord reported on Board membership. Jim Claydon, Gwen Jocelyn and Bob Anderson were not running again. Gord Richards and Jim Lewis were up for reelection to a 2 year term. John Mechen and Malcolm Foulkes were nominated as new Board members. It was moved by Jim Lewis, seconded by Brian Atkinson that nominations

cease. Carried. The secretary cast a single vote for the election of Gord Richards, Jim Lewis, John Mechen, Malcolm Foulkes for two year terms.

- 8.0 It was agreed that the next annual meeting would be Sunday June 25, 2006 at 1 p.m.
- 9.0 Some general questions and suggestions were received. Have a sign - are you a member? If not, why not? Thanks to Leslie for the directory. Any changes needed should be given directly to her. Several people reported plants stolen from their docks. Commercial signs - do we want them? Stuart Martin reported that only real estate signs were legal roadside signs and to call Public Works for their removal. The President will walk across the road the main offending sign. Questions were raised about the noise bylaw. Stuart reported on the legal opinion causing the withdrawal of the bylaw and suggested that individuals should write to Council with any suggestions as a new bylaw is being drafted. If there are places where water speed signs are needed, call Dave Moffat, OPP.
- 10.0 Moved by Gordon Richards, seconded by Bob Anderson that the meeting be adjourned. Carried.

After a short coffee break/ socialization time, Stuart Martin was introduced by Leslie McCann. Stuart is in his 3rd term as Township Councillor, his second term as District Councillor. Stuart talked about the municipal elected structures and what happened where. He also touched on the importance of the shoreline buffer zones in protecting water quality. After a question and answer period, Stuart was thanked by Leslie McCann. And the meeting adjourned.