

SIMON LAKE COMMUNITY STEWARDSHIP GROUP

Naughton Community Centre
Thursday, 21 May 2009 – 7–9:00 PM

Present: Perry Sarvas, Dan Legrand, John Peroff, Leslie Flowers, Peter Saal, Pat Scott, Katrina Allen & Linda Heron

1. Review of Previous Minutes

Previous Minutes not submitted yet – will be reviewed at next meeting.

2. Executive Reports

President: Report – addressed below.

Vice-President: Deferred to next meeting.

Financial Report:

- Only one outstanding water bill -- rest of bills are caught up, with a balance of \$50.00 in our account.
- Linda paid for website renewal and will submit the invoice for payment – approx. \$100.00.
- \$500.00 grant received from City of Sudbury for water testing.

3. Fundraising Activities

a. Community Yard Sale

- Flyers have been handed out in the community
- Email flyers were forwarded
- Only had one call for item donations
- Will be posted and advertised at the arena
- Perry spoke to his neighbour and he has some children's furniture to be picked up.
- Jim Lochschmidt is contact for info regarding tables at Centre.
- Peter Saal offered to see if he could get a few items from the Steel Workers Union.
- Should have helium balloons attached to signs to draw attention.

ACTION:

Susan will arrange for:

- Posting to Bill Board at Moxam Centre -- contact Phil Valiquette
- Q92 Radio
- Sudbury Star Yard Sale Section.
- Will arrange for children's furniture to be picked up.

Linda will arrange for posting on:

- Channel 10 Bill Board,
- Walden-Can E-mail list & Calendar.
- Re-send email flyer and post on website

John Peroff will make 3 wooden signs for pointing people in the direction of our Yard Sale – 2 – 2x2 & 1--3x2 with a large arrow pointing to the Naughton Centre.

Linda & Susan will be at Naughton Centre at 5:00 pm on June 12th to sort and price items – everyone welcome!!

b. Other Fundraisers

- In order to have a raffle we would have to obtain a “charitable organization number” – Susan will get more information on this after the yard sale.
- John Peroff has several potties, benches & watches in different stages of development. He suggested the watch should sell for \$40.00.
- Perry and Dan met with Jacques Barbeau and talked about a big fundraising event
 - Talked about planning an Oktoberfest Fundraiser & silent auction.
 - Perhaps join with other Stewardship groups
 - Ask for assistance from Council
 - Jacques Barbeau has agreed to front the money
- Linda & Susan suggested we focus on the Community Yard Sale at present, and address other fundraisers once this one has been completed.
- Perry informed us that the City has a new person at the City who will help coordinate events for us.
- Our Stewardship will require about \$2,000 for water testing and \$15 to \$20,000 for milfoil project.

ACTION: Perry will contact other Stewardships to see if they would like to join ours for a large event.

4. Update on Lake Monitoring & Resonator Project

- Resonators are installed
- Temperature and dissolved oxygen levels are similar to last year.
- Stratification is starting to happen already.
- A City intern is helping with sampling but we must also do our own testing.
- Pat sent in samples to the Province on May 12th.
- Perry suggested when we have sufficient funds we consider investing in a Data Logger to have a constant measurement of temperature & dissolved oxygen. Discussed the possibility of borrowing Vale Inco’s Logger.
- Leslie suggested that Bay of Islands Stewardship has accumulated a lot of data and found marked problems with fecal count in several locations, however, it doesn’t do much good unless there is follow-up and a willingness to make changes.
- Dan suggesting making one firm proposal to Council about Capping discharge levels with a plan to reduce in future.
- Perry suggested asking Council to re-allocate a portion of the Microbe Budget to be used for a Weevil Project to eliminate the Eurasian Milfoil.
- Resonators are getting wrapped up in the milfoil.

ACTION: Perry will talk to Peter Torbert about arranging a meeting with our Membership. Dan will talk to Ed Cocchiorela about borrowing a Data Logger.

5. Website Update – Running late - Deferred to next meeting.

6. Other Business -- Long Lake Stewardship’s Recommendations

- Reviewed Stephen Butcher’s recommendations to ask City Council to move immediately on these 4 items:
 1. A Fertilizer Ban – particularly the ones that contain phosphates, but nitrogen is doing great harm too. (see note below)
 2. Mandatory Field Bed inspections on all water front properties. (every 10 years, being done in North Bay)

3. Implementation of a process that has all building permits, on or near water, where the applicants must submit a site plan (from an authorized/licensed environmental firm) to indicate that they will minimize any damage/pollution to the water body.
 4. Implementation of a program to rehabilitate waterfront shorelines.
- After a lengthy discussion it was agreed our Stewardship would support Items 1 and 2, however, we require more information on items 3 & 4
 - It was felt asking for a site plan from an Environmental Assessment Firm would be very expensive and unreasonable for most people
 - Asking for total rehabilitation and replanting of waterfront would destroy beachfront access and enjoyment.

ACTION: Perry will have further discussion with the Lake Stewardship Association to address some of our questions and concerns.

Next Meeting – 7:00 pm, 18 June 2009, Walden Community Centre.