

# **Muskoka Conservancy**

## **Annual General Meeting**

June 8<sup>th</sup>, 2019

Dewey Institute, Bracebridge, ON

### **Meeting Minutes**

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The Annual General Meeting was held on Saturday, June 8<sup>th</sup> in Bracebridge at the Dewey Institute. President Margaret McLaren called the meeting to order at 10:00am.

#### **Board Members Present:**

Margaret McLaren, President, Norm Moffat, Vice President, John Burton, Past President, Richard Onley, Treasurer, Allyn Abbott, Cynthia Smith, Christina Hunter, Bob Weekes, Elspeth Wood

#### **Muskoka Conservancy Staff Present:**

Scott Young, Executive Director, Aaron Rusak, Administration & Program Coordinator, Amber Merritt, Administration & Program Coordinator

#### **Agenda Item 1: Agenda Adoption**

**Motion for adoption of the Agenda:** Agenda is as it appears

**Moved:** Allyn Abbott

**Second:** Cynthia Smith

All in Favour; Motion Carried

#### **Agenda Item 2: Consideration of Minutes**

##### **Consideration of Minutes of 2018 Annual Meeting**

President, Margaret McLaren, calls upon Bob Weekes

Minutes of 2018 annual meeting have been circulated; move to dispense reading of those minutes

**Moved:** Bob Weekes

**Second:** Christina Hunter

All in Favour; Motion Carried

### **Agenda Item 3: Approval of Agenda**

**Motion to move that minutes and agenda of 2018 annual meeting approved**

**Moved:** Bob Weekes

**Second:** Allyn Flye

All in Favour; Motion carried

**Report and Review of financial statements 2018, presented by Richard Onley:**

**Richard Onley reads 2018 Financial Highlights**

- Revenue and Expenses (in and out)
- Fundraising fluctuates each year ( bi-annual basis)
- Membership & Sales: remained constant
- Grants: Increasing Each year for grant income received
- Total Expenses in line year to year (90 000 surplus this year)
- Total Value of Assets- 14.2 million-14.8

### **Agenda Item 4: Appointment of Auditor**

**Motion to appoint BDO Dun Woody as the Muskoka Conservancy's official auditors for the forthcoming year; board of directors authorized to approve remuneration**

**Moved:** Margaret McLaren

**Second:** Bob Weekes

All in Favour; Motion Carried

### **Agenda Item 5: Nominations for 2019 Board of Directors**

President Margaret McLaren asks for nominations from floor before proceeding. Hearing None. Eleven members for Board of Directors 2019.

One Year Term: 6 members

Two year Term: 2 members

Retiring: 1 retiring director (Rob McLaren)

Reappointment for Three-year Term: Richard Onley and Barb Mason

New Appointment for Three-Year Term: Anne Lindsay

**Motion to approve slate of nominations**

**Moved:** John Burton

**Second:** Eslopeth Wood

All in Favour; Motion Carried

**Agenda Item 5: Adjourn**

**Motion to adjourn meeting**

Motion to approve

**First:** Margaret McLaren

**Second:** Allyn Abbott

All in Favour; Motion Carried

Meeting adjourned at approximately 10:35am.

Thanks to board of directors & staff of conservancy; Attention drawn to items in annual report

- 2 new nature reserves (Skeleton lake and Bert and Millies Marsh)
- Purchased carbon offsets for event and WestJet tickets
- Donations made to Dark Sky Reserve

Meeting turned over to Norm Moffat (MC for awards Presentation)

