**Minutes of PaBIA Directors’ Meeting (Conference Call) May 25, 2020**

Directors participating**: Tom Scoon, Erica Allen, Helen Bryce, Hilde Clark, Tom Lundy, Michael Phippen, Nancy Rogers, Dave Sharpe, Julia Sievwright, Mary Thomson**

Regrets: Virginia Skuce

**Environment** Michael Phippen

The final draft of the announcement of the Septic System “Report Card” program, developed in consultation with Tom Todd (North Shore), Helen Bryce and Tom Scoon was circulated to the Board prior to the meeting. Mary Thomson and David Sharpe had assisted in the wording of the announcement. Following discussion, the draft was approved by the Board. The program will be announced in the “Connections” e-blasts to members and will include the Report Card form. After the initial announcement, there will be follow-up articles in the e-blasts. Helen Bryce, Education Director, pointed out that this is part of the 3-Year Plan developed in 2019 to begin in 2020.

**Education** Helen Bryce

The Education Committee has developed a logo. A suggested schedule for articles to be included in the summer e-blasts has been sent to Hilde Clark.

Rick Esselment was to have been the speaker at our AGM on the topic of septic systems. Helen has suggested the following alternatives: a webinar with a Q & A included; a link to the video of Rick’s talk to the GBF’s October 2019 meeting; send out information about the speaker and a link to the video. Rick approved those suggestions.

With gatherings at the Ojibway Club not possible, the Naturalist events and GBBR outing plans cannot be held as planned.

**Board Succession** Erica Allen

The Committee members are Erica, Tom Scoon, Helen Bryce and Nancy Rogers. At the 2020 AGM, Tom Scoon will become the Immediate Past President with Erica being nominated as the President. Ian MacLeod will resign as Ratepayer Director and Cam Richardson will be nominated as a Director and Chair of that portfolio. Ian will continue in his role on the CZBL review committee.

The 2020 AGM, scheduled for Mon. August 3rd cannot be held at the Ojibway Club. The By-Laws allow leeway related to the timing and format for the AGM. Under current COVID-19 related limitations, a ‘virtual’ meeting will be planned. Because internet access is not available to many members when in Pointe au Baril and its unreliability there, the AGM will be arranged for a date to be determined in fall 2020.

**Member Safety** Tom Lundy

Tom had contacted the Canadian Coast Guard early in May to inform them that not all the PaBIA markers would be placed by the May holiday weekend. Since last week, Andy Blenkarn and Desmasdon’s crew managed to place all the markers except for 3 in Sturgeon Bay. The warning notice posted on the CCG website related to Pointe au Baril has now been removed.

The Marine Patrol program will continue as planned, following all COVID-19 related protocols. Supervisor Bill Culp cannot be present but will participate remotely. Emma Berton (Assistant Supervisor), Randy Johnson and Tom Lundy will conduct the training with the two new Patrollers. There will be amendments to the usual program but it may be possible to continue with the Phragmites cut. The Patrollers act as Stewards of GBLT properties in our area. All those properties will be closed to the public and signs will be posted. Tom will contact GBLT for clarification of the MP role.

**Member Activities** Tom Scoon for Virginia Skuce

Tom read the information Virginia had sent him. With current COVID-19 guidelines in place, being followed by the Ojibway Club, all events usually held there would not be possible. An announcement will be made that the Triathlon, Junior and Senior Regattas cannot be held this year.

Stephen Griggs, Sailing Commodore, had contacted Tom Scoon about alternate plans for the sailing group. The Board had concerns about the need to conform to regulations and the safety of the sailors and committee boat. Tom will contact Stephen about the Board’s questions and concerns.

**Other Business** Tom Scoon

Tom received a request to have PaBIA lobby to allow US citizens who are owners of Canadian property to access their properties. The Board agreed that we do not have a mandate to do this.

Annually, PaBIA pays the Ojibway Club $3,000 for the use of their facilities for our events. This year, those events cannot be held but the Board agreed that we should assist the Club in what will be a difficult summer. MOTION: to pay the usual annual fee for use of Ojibway Club facilities. Nancy Rogers, Helen Bryce. Carried unanimously.

The next Board Meeting date will be set in June.

Meeting adjourned.

Nancy Rogers

Recording Secretary