**Minutes of PaBIA Directors’ Meeting (via Zoom) September 7, 2021**

Directors participating: **Erica Allen, Mike Berton, Helen Bryce, Hilde Clark, Tom Lundy, Cam Richardson, Nancy Rogers, Dave Sharpe, Virginia Skuce, Mary Thomson**

GBA: **Mark Gwozdecky**

TOA Councillors: **Laurie Emery**, **Scott Sheard**

Regrets: Michael Phippen

**TOA Councillors’ Reports** Ward 1 Laurie Emery, Ward 3 Scott Sheard

In Ward 1, a grant for $85,000 was received for installation of HVAC at the Community Centre. Work is ongoing. The Centre will be available for Election Day, Sept. 20. It is hoped that Arts on the Bay events will be able to be held in 2022. Signage for the Nursing Station will be on the Council Agenda. A $100,000 grant ($80,000 Federal and $20,000 Provincial) will be used for improvements to the Pointe au Baril wharf, raising the commercial dock and improving the floating docks.

Scott reported that new banners will be made for Remembrance Day. More information will be coming. More volunteers are needed to assist in the collection of abandoned, derelict docks. The Marine Patrol recorded locations of docks during July and August. Boat speeds and wakes are a continuing concern. Boating courtesy needs to be stressed. Some Councillors have met with the Skerryvore and Shawanaga Bay residents groups. We all have concerns in common. Scott asked for feedback from the Ward 3 e-reports and suggestions for topics.

The Councillors have been invited to participate in the PaBIA AGM.

**Honorary Life Membership** Erica Allen

Erica proposed that Tom Scoon be awarded an Honorary Life Membership at the 2021 AGM. She described the many years of work Tom has done for PaBIA as well as volunteering for other Georgian Bay organizations. The award was unanimously approved.

**Member Safety** Tom Lundy

Tom circulated a report prior to the meeting. The Marine Patrol season has been completed. Tom Wunderlich and Chris Lusty have been invited to return for a third year in 2022. The S-turn light appears to be working intermittently. Tom will be meeting with the Parry Sound Coast Guard as they may have equipment that can be donated to us for installation next year. The 10 additional new “test” markers have now been installed but there may still be some location changes.

Four large white plastic barrels were donated to PaBIA and have been placed: one where a rock cairn was destroyed by high water levels, at the request of the property owner; three more were set where existing barrels had been previously. There is a possibility of purchasing more of the barrels at a nominal cost. The Markers committee recommended their use but this was not approved as several Directors preferred the use of rocks to build cairns that would be painted. One exception would be the three barrels on Joliffe Is. that marked the route to return from the McCoys. There was a suggestion that painted wooden barrels would be preferable to plastic to place where there are currently barrels that need replacing. Dave Sharpe will get information about cost, availability and delivery.

**Local Contractor Future Shortage**

A member has voiced concern about the reduction in local contractors for new building and cottage maintenance as currently active contractors and their employees retire. Cam Richardson noted that housing needs to be available for seasonal employees. Current by-laws do not allow for trailers.

**Shawanaga Island IPCA** Mark Gwozdecky

Information is still needed about the land included in the Shawanaga Island IPCA. It has been determined that no privately owned properties will be part of it.

**AGM Planning**

There was discussion of the Agenda for the AGM to be held by Zoom Seminar on September 21. Cam Richardson (Ratepayers & Regulatory Affairs) and Tom Lundy (Member Safety) will give reports.

It was noted that the Nominating Committee needs to receive names of those already involved in PaBIA as well as members who could be invited to join committees.

A Zoom meeting for the Board will be held on Monday, September 20 to review the Agenda and details in preparation for the AGM on September 21.

Meeting adjourned.

Nancy Rogers, Recording Secretary