

Environmental and Lake Stewardship ad hoc Committee    Saturday April 27<sup>th</sup>, 2019 **Draft Minutes** first meeting  
Present; Bill Young, Mike Corson, Wave Weir, Tom Potocnik, Barb Ancinelli, Peter Hopkins, Fern Harris

1. Call to order 1 pm.
2. Welcome and introductions
3. Contact information corrected
4. No additions to agenda
5. Agenda approved, moved by Mike C, seconded by Barb A., Passed
6. Committee terms of reference discussed and Purpose amended. Motion 2019-1
7. Appointment of officers, Chair – Peter Hopkins, Vice-chair – Bill Young, Secretary- Wave Weir. Motion 2019-2
8. Suggested that this committee be struck until Christmas. Suggestions are to be brought to council. Continuation of the committee to be considered at that time. Meetings once per month, Saturdays at **8am**. (That is not a typo). The purpose of Saturday is to include weekenders, and early so the day is still free.
9. A selection of Resource Booklets were circulated for reading
10. Key issues were looked at as arising from the Community Action Plan meetings. More items for possible inclusion for consideration were added to the list.
11. Priorities of issues from Action Plan meetings read
12. Preliminary discussions were had highlighting issues and various aspects that would need to be considered. Fish habitat, water levels, re-stocking, lake capacity, turtles, geese, shoreline natural planting zones, geese, to name a few.....
13. Key resources were discussed and the list added to
14. Notification of Special Public meeting @ OPP, MLCA, MNR, Saturday May 4, following the May 4<sup>th</sup> 3<sup>rd</sup> Action Plan meeting at 10am. Light lunch provided between meetings. Any questions for MNR or OPP are encouraged to be submit to the clerk by Monday April 29<sup>th</sup>
15. Other business- There will be a Native Plant sale at the museum in Parry Sound. Sat. June 1, 8:30AM, Canadore College. Peter will check if library has a section for environmental booklets, although they are available on line. Suggested that the letter prohibiting spraying in the township that was recently passed by council be sent to all area municipalities, to invite them to join us, as well as GBBR for their information.
16. Bring ideas on format, any other items or issues to include on our lists for consideration, decide what areas you specifically want to research and the format for that research. One suggestion was that each topic chosen for research be presented as a page designed to **educate** and consequently encourage responsible behaviour. The pages could be printed, used individually, be put on social media and ultimately be compiled into a printed book.
17. Next meeting Saturday, May 25<sup>th</sup> 8am
18. Adjournment 2:38pm

**Motions;**

2019-1 – That the Purpose in the terms of reference be amended to “To ensure we preserve our #1 priorities of our lakes and the ecology of life in our community”. Passed

2019-2 – To accept the slate of officers; Peter Hopkins- Chair, Bill Young – Vice Chair, Wave Weir – secretary. Passed

To add to the “Key Resource People” list;

Andy Kellner- MLCA Water testing [consultawk@gmail.com](mailto:consultawk@gmail.com)

Plastic Free Parry Sound-walker.sustainability.project@gmail.com

Steve Munro – Westwind Forestry

David Sweetman- Georgian Bay Forever

Muskoka Watershed Council

To add to the “Issues To Discuss” List;

Single use plastic

Blue Foam in the water/docks

Garbage and large debris collection in the water

Liming lakes

2 stroke motors

Sunday hunting

Shoreline vegetation zones

Trails- walking, biking, canoeing and kayaking

Wildflower yards- butterfly, birds, insects