

Minutes

North Alport Bay Ratepayers' Association Annual General Meeting

Date: August 28, 2021
Location: Montgomery Family property, 1154 Beaumont Farm Road
Time: 10:00 am

Sept 22, 2021 - change on page 3 from Dave Einboden (mistake) to Dave Hewgill

Introductions

Attendees: Frank DiMarco, Tom and Luba Yewman, Donna Worth, Isobel Heathcote, Blake Heathcote, Steve and Lydia Kyskira, Ken Brooks, Jeff Davis, Dave Coon, Tim Kennedy, Steve Chris, James and Jennine Yool, Lesley Happy, Peter Wood, Don Seedman, Keith and Susan Montgomery, Melanie Roberts

Regrets: Grant and Jody Kilpatrick, Paul and Joan Bartlett, Neil Hutchinson and Leslie Kennedy

Approval of 2020 Minutes (previously circulated)

- Proposal – Isobel Heathcote
- Second – Blake Heathcote
- All in favour

No Business Arising from Minutes

Treasurer's Report

- See Treasurer's Report as an accompanying document
- Main points:
 - Everyone is paid up from last year
 - Mr. Gao has sent last year and this year's dues
 - No additional expenses
 - Grandfathering arrangement to 2 property owners to only pay ½ of road fees. Should this be abolished?
- Move to have report accepted – Keith Montgomery
- Second – Tim Kennedy
- All in favour

Road Report

- See Road Report as an accompanying document

- Road good condition even with heavy traffic
- Some areas don't dry out as much as Don would like, mainly due to leaf canopy

- Summer maintenance – Harley Rack attachment instead of Pony Grader – road has done well with this method
- Change for large maintenance projects – Don will send out notice 3 weeks prior to close the road, have flag persons at either end. Anticipate a closure of 4-6 hours
- August – Don walked road while doing repairs.
- Thank you to Todd Selvage for providing equipment and labour at no charge
- Thank you to Darryl Idiens who provided access to his equipment and also to Dave Coon who helped with road maintenance

- Winter road maintenance – no complaints, Don thought that the billing reflected the work done. Contractor (Daryl Beaumont) would like to continue winter road maintenance, no increased costs.
 - Motion to have Daryl Beaumont continue as contractor for winter maintenance – Don Seedman
 - Second – Isobel Heathcote
 - All in favour

- Speed limit – travelling above 20 km creates potholes, dust etc. Please let contractors, family, guests, renters etc. know about speed limit
- Cherry picker to maintain the tree canopy is still a possibility. Maybe in the fall or next year could be a possibility
- Discussion:
 - Speedbumps
 - writing down license plate to approach people about their speed
 - calcium to reduce dust
 - cameras to capture speeders
- Road Superintendent to look into using calcium as a form of dust control in May of 2022
 - Motion to accept Road Report – Don Seedman
 - Second – Jeff Davis
 - All in favour

- Motion for NABRA yearly Fees for 2021/2022 to stay the same at \$400 – Keith Montgomery
- Second – Tim Kennedy
- All in favour

Secretary's Report

- Nothing new to report

Executive Positions

Available positions - President, Secretary and Road Superintendent

Keith took over Treasurer when Dave Hewgill left – that role is available also

President – Susan Montgomery

Road Superintendent – Don Seedman

Secretary – Melanie Roberts

Treasurer – Keith Montgomery

Annual Potluck

- Cancelled due to COVID and late AGM

Other Business

Website

- Check out www.nabraonline.ca, our very own website with links to past minutes and reports as well as resource listings for contractors and services
- If you have any resource recommendations, or things to be added to the NABRA website, send them to Blake Heathcote: blake.heathcote@gmail.com
- Thank you to Blake Heathcote for designing and maintaining this resource
- Web hosting fees for the website are approximately \$100/year
 - Motion to pay for web hosting fees, in the amount of approximately \$100/year – Lesley Happy
 - Second – Frank DiMarco
 - All in favour
- Can there be advertisements on the website?
 - Suggestion – members of NABRA may advertise for no charge on website, other companies would be considered but fees may apply

Speed limits on water and road/shoreline courtesy

- OPP have been on the water 3 different times but they are very understaffed
- More signage on the river – would it improve the speeds travelled?
- No wake signs available at Port Carling municipal building for \$20
- NABRA association to purchase 10 No Wake signs at \$20 each (\$200 cost)
 - Signs installed at locations along river properties (by property owners), as well as at the entrance to the waterway behind Bailey Lane
 - Motion to purchase 10 No Wake signs at \$20 each – Luba Yewman
 - Second – Tim Kennedy
 - All in Favour
 - Tom Yewman volunteered to help put signs up

- Paddling and boating near waterfront properties – reminder to stay back from shoreline as a courtesy
- Speed Signs for road can be purchased for homeowner's properties similar to the ones on Beaumont Farm Road.
 - Motion to spend \$100 on Slow Down signs for property owners to use – Don Seedman
 - Second – Steve Chris
 - All in favour

Off leash dog bylaws

- Complaints of people not cleaning up after their dog – skiers, joggers, bikers etc. – especially in winter
- Remind people to pick up after their dogs
- Copies of local bylaws concerning dogs off leash – dogs must be leashed when walking off property, no dogs running at large, no persistent barking/whining, every dog must be licensed annually, pick up dog feces (don't throw plastic bags in bush with dog poop in it)

Gypsy moths

- Several Gypsy (LDD) Moth egg masses have been spotted along Beaumont Farm Road Pvt and Bailey Lane
- Each egg mass could house between 100-1000 caterpillars
- Egg masses are brown cardboard coloured, about the size of a twonie and are kind of fuzzy. A lot appear on trees with pronounced vertical bark, but others were spotted on some local birch, and behind our 20 km/hr speed signs
- If every property owner could take a bit of time to scrape these egg masses into a bucket of water with some dish soap, we could potentially reduce the amount of caterpillars for next year
- Gypsy (LDD) Moths are a non-native and invasive species
- During larvae (caterpillar) stage, they can completely defoliate trees in a very short amount of time
- Population spikes every 7-10 years
- Picture of caterpillars and egg masses are posted with these minutes for reference

Next NABRA AGM – Suggestion of Saturday, June 18th, 10am

Motion to Adjourn - all in favour

Meeting adjourned