

## Agenda

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**Attendees** (see attached list)

All were in favour of Francine Gagnon presiding the meeting with Lise Bujold acting as Secretary. Christina Costy will translate for those who wish it

1. **WELCOME** – Francine Gagnon, President, welcomed everyone and noted the quorum. A minute of silence was observed for the passing, during the year of Mr. Louis Bazinet.
2. **ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA** – Nicole Fortin moved to adopt the agenda as proposed. Motion seconded by Isabelle Falardeau. Unanimously carried.
3. **ADOPTION OF THE MINUTES OF THE AUGUST 18, 2012 GENERAL ASSEMBLY** – Nicole Fortin moved to adopt the August 18, 2012 minutes. Motion seconded by Marc Hervieux. Unanimously carried.
4. **DAM 5112**

**4.1 Overflow of the lake – April 20, 2013** – Francine Gagnon stated that the lake had overflowed over dam 5114 during the night of last April 19 to 20. She noted that overflow problems were mostly due to the following issues: abundant snow, warm temperatures, abundant rain, a 50 year old dam, a rotted wood structure and a blocked culvert, leading to the sinking of the road at the base of the dam on Pioneer Road. Francine reminded residents that as administrators, we must ensure that dam 5112 is secure in order to avoid a rupture which would empty the lake onto Pioneer and Route 329. She noted that the management of the damn falls within the jurisdiction of the “*Centre hydrique du Québec*” (CEHQ), but that involvement included the Ministry of the Environment, the municipality of St. Adolphe, the “*Conseil régional de l’environnement des Laurentides*” (CRELA), the “*MRC des Laurentides*” and “*Bleu Laurentides*”, each of these on the recommendation of our engineer, Mr. Miroslav Chum. Since April 20, 24 hour surveillance, 800 hours of work and no less than 150 emails were required. The association required a lot of professional expertise, and civil security was mobilized for the first time since the dam’s construction. The huge amount of work on this issue proves not only the value of the lake to our properties, but our civil responsibility as well.

**4.2 Emergency visit and inspection by an engineer – April 23, 2013** – A series of photos was presented to the assembly to visualize the April 20 overflow and visible irregularities of the dam: crevices at the base and sides, cracks in the concrete structure, and a 5x7 hole in Pioneer Road. Miroslav Chum, the engineer had immediate recommendations: 1) meet with the authorities involved, 2) hold a joint inspection of the dam, 3) proceed with emergency repairs, 4) carry out the civil works necessary to replace the culvert.

**4.3 Emergency backfilling – May 11, 2013** – Considering the emergency work required by erosion, emergency backfilling was executed in collaboration with the municipality: geotextile was laid out, filling and rockfilling were performed.

**4.4 Repairs – May 14 to 22, 2013** – The opening made during the emergency filling showed that the wooden formwork was rotten and the concrete structure was cracked. A new water repellent concrete structure was built and the formwork was rebuilt. A new 4 foot culvert and backfilling were also required.

**4.5 Obligations of the “Centre d’Expertise Hydrique du Québec” (CEHQ)** – The authority of the Centre in this file allowed work to be executed as quickly as possible. The Centre also recognized the expertise of our engineer, his rigour and professionalism as well as the validity of his recommendations. Additionally, the center promoted cooperation with the municipality as the parties involved held a meeting on May 3 (municipality, environment, public works, Alpine association, biologist and engineer).

**4.6 Partnership with the municipality** – St. Adolphe assumed the cost of employees, machinery and materials during the May 14 to 22 works. Our association was thus able to face all other costs, incurring no deficit or debts. These costs included: rock fill of the site, the engineer (presence on site and reports), formwork, the contractor, concrete, etc. We must now anticipate the cost of changing the spillway for a fixed door which would no longer require human intervention. This will eliminate risk required by human intervention. Thanks were extended to Yvon Monette, Gilles Rousseau and Marc Hervieux who have done this work until now. We will have to evaluate the height required with 1000 year rise in water levels in order to decide the type of spillway required, which shows the importance of working with professionals.

**4.7 Partnership with the “Conseil Régional de l’environnement des Laurentides” (CRELA)**

**4.8 Partnership with “Bleu Laurentides”**

Bleu Laurentides is a program for volunteer monitoring of our lakes founded in 2005 through a coordinating group on lakes organized by the “*Conseil régional de l’environnement des Laurentides*” (see CRELA website). The MRC, municipalities, associations, community groups and universities came together for the protection and monitoring of

lakes. The CRELA and *Bleu Laurentides* offer free and community services. Using their partnerships and expertise helps us manage our lake with rigour and vigilance.

## 5. FINANCES

**5.1 2012-2013 Statement of finances** – In the absence of René Lavoie, Treasurer, Marc Hervieux presented the financial results for 2012-2013. As we changed the date of our assembly to the end of June, we must also change our year end date. René Lavoie and Céline Gratton will take the necessary steps with the Finance Ministries of Quebec and Canada in the coming weeks. Regarding revenues and current expenses we expect a \$1,176 deficit on August 31, 2014, which is explained by two expenses, one real (Summer 2012), the other projected (Summer 2013) for the organisation of the corn parties, as well as increased expenses for the beach toilet and revenues below projections for sales and tips at the 2012 corn party. The biggest challenge for 2013, however, will be facing our responsibilities regarding the dam. Expenses already incurred and to come until August 31 2013, come to \$13,418 for a dam fund that totals \$11,244; the deficit is \$2,174 that will have to be reimbursed to the \$5,000 special fund which is kept for unforeseen events or catastrophes.

**5.2 2013-2014 Budget** – With a forecast revenue of \$10,500 (dues, dam fund, miscellaneous) and anticipated expenditures of \$6,842, we should manage to balance our budget. This balance remains precarious as we must always anticipate obligatory expenses for the management of the lake. We are subject to the requirements of the *Centre hydrique* and the Ministry of the environment and, as such, we must be able to count on competent professionals. We are also in the process of getting administrator's insurance for the Board.

**5.3 Annual dues** – Revenues for 2013-2014 are forecast at \$5,500. It has become obvious that we have a funding problem. The Board is planning to begin discussions with the municipality and explore with other associations such as ours the idea of sector specific taxation.

**5.4 Fundraising** – The president noted that any new ideas for funding of the association were welcome.

## 6. ENVIRONMENT

**6.1 Swimming Water Analysis** – Francine Gagnon noted that the methodology recommended last year by the Bio-service laboratory and the Ministry of the Environment has been followed, and we obtained an A rating for our swimming water.

**6.2 Lac des Pins Shoreline Characterisation** – Following examination of the shoreline of the lakes on its territory, the municipality of St. Adolphe rated lakeside properties with an environmental evaluation as follows: red (20%), orange (20 to 40%), yellow (40 to 60%), with the red zone showing the least vegetation, for example, a lake with a beach). This characterization can be found on the municipality website.

**6.3 Lake Water Registry** – The president noted that the lake's water level was closely monitored and entered in a register.

**7. SUMMER ALPINE PARTY – AUGUST 17 AT 6:00PM AT THE BEACH** –The corn party will be held on August 17 and other small parties are planned for the afternoon with the sale of hot dogs, etc. Mélanie Villemaire is responsible for these activities.

**8. NEW BUSINESS** – No new business.

**9. NEXT GENERAL ASSEMBLY** – Marc Hervieux moved to hold the next meeting on June 28, 2014. Motion seconded by par Francine Gagnon. Unanimously carried.

**10. ADJOURNMENT** – Francine Gagnon, moved to adjourn at 3:30 pm. Seconded by Lise Bujold. Unanimously carried.

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President

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Secretary