

AGENDA

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11. Adjournment

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. Rodrigue McDonald and Mr. Roger Lemieux.

2. ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA – After the addition in "Other Business" of: cultural activities at St-Adolphe and concert at the beach shelter, aquatic plants and environment, canoe and pedal boat area, and identification bracelets, René Lavoie moved to adopt the agenda. Motion seconded by Gilles Rousseau. Unanimously carried.

3. ADOPTION OF THE MINUTES OF THE AUGUST 18, 2012 GENERAL ASSEMBLY – Odette Pinard moved to adopt the June 28, 2014 minutes. Motion seconded by Nicole Fortin. Unanimously carried.

4. FINANCES

4.1 2014-2015 Statement of finances – René Lavoie presented the statement of finances as of March 31, 2015. As the members had already received the document, the assembly was invited to ask their questions. The treasurer noted that higher than expected receipts and lower expenses contributed to a \$12,255 bank balance. Members were particularly generous with 110 dues paid and \$785 in donations. He thanked the assembly. Regarding expenses, the increase in property taxes is directly related to the maintenance of the ski centre; the Board is looking to cut the cost of mailings (use of internet, reduced use of paper, no return envelopes); expenses related to the end of summer part must also be reviewed as attendance is down. René Lavoie moved to adopt the statement of finances as of March 31, 2015. Motion seconded by Gilles Rousseau. Unanimously carried.

4.2 Projected budget for 2015-2016 – This document was also sent to members with the annual mailing. With projected revenues of \$6,625, operating expenses of \$7,149 and \$2,500 in dam expenses, the balance at March 31, 2016 should be \$12,767. In order to attain this budget, \$5,500 in dues and \$3,300 for the dam fund are

required. René Lavoie moved to adopt the projected 2015-2016 budget. Motion seconded by Gilles Rousseau. Unanimously carried.

4.3 Annual dues – The treasurer reminded attendees that post-dated cheques would not be accepted,.

4.4 Fundraising – Nothing to report.

5. DAMS 5112-5113

5.1 Current state of the dam – Both dams are currently stable despite their 50-year old structure. As per the engineer's recommendations, maintenance work must be performed on Dam 5112 (on Pioneer near the beach) this summer. Eroded concrete must be replaced on the three interior walls of the dam's concrete structure. For security reasons, the water level will be lowered for the duration of the work. Work dates will be posted at the estate entrance. Authorisation from the ministry is not necessary for the execution of these works, which should be performed during the month of August. Water levels will unfortunately have to be lowered during this approximately one week period. A letter along with a confirmation of receipt is being prepared for those living directly on the lake. The Craig McVeigh company will be contacted regarding execution of the work.

5.2 Communication with the municipality of Saint-Adolphe d'Howard – Communications could become more difficult with a new (the seventh) director of public works and no foreman.

5.3 Communication with the municipality of Saint-Hippolyte – Mr. Philippe Roy of St-Hippolyte remains available for consultation on our file.

5.4 Water level as per engineer recommendations – The water level of the lake should be maintained at 65 cm from the edge of the concrete wall as requested by the engineer.

6. ENVIRONMENT

6.1 Swimming water analysis – Our swimming water is graded "A". The president informed the assembly that Mr. Bruno Cossette, biologist considers that it would be preferable to proceed with the water analysis around the second week of July in order to get the best possible readings regarding the presence of E-coli. Grace Bubeck raised the question of aquatic plants, which are on the rise in our lake. She is concerned that we might have to face a situation such as that at Lake Bouchette. After discussion it was noted that our practices have been exemplary since 2000: no soap, replacement of septic tanks, anti-erosion planting, cartography of the lake, decreasing the sand, etc. It is important to not disrupt the balance by trying to eradicate the plants. It is necessary to consider the question and consult the municipality or Aqua Design to identify the plants and follow their recommendations.

7. ALPINE ESTATES HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION WEBSITE

The website was set up by Grace Bubeck last year. It is quite simple and comprises the following elements: the Association's mission, the estate rules, the registration and dues payment form, the minutes of the general assembly, annual letters, financial statements, etc. Grace again mentioned the idea of the addition of pictures of the estate, old photos, information on the development of the estate, its founders, its history, the flora and fauna of the area, etc. The addition of a section for association activities was proposed. Our website is informative and not interactive and can be viewed at www.domainealpine.ca.

8. ALPINE SUMMER PARTY

The president opened discussion regarding the organisation of the annual party. Board members noted the investment in both time and effort required as well as the greatly decreased participation in the past years. Last year's party cost twice what it earned in revenues. It might be time to rethink the annual party. After discussion a communal picnic at the beach was proposed where people could share one or several elements of their meals. The date was set at Saturday August 15 around noon. Several members insisted on keeping the corn party, but in a more restricted version (only 1 bag of corn). Tasks were distributed. Mark Hervieux will be responsible for buying and cooking the corn as well as the music. René Lavoie will confirm live music with his neighbour. Everyone will be responsible for bringing tables, chairs, and treats for the children, etc. This new formula will be evaluated next year.



9. OTHER BUSINESS

9.1 Arts and culture – Odette Pinard advised that there are many cultural activities to be discovered at the municipality over the summer: art exhibitions, a heritage route, the “*Village*” column in *Mémoire* magazine, the library, the friends of seniors, the recreation centre, etc. She particularly noted a concert at the beach on August 5 at 4:00 pm. Our website could be used to publicize such activities.

9.2 Identification bracelets – Teresa Di Palma reminded the assembly of the idea of identification bracelets at the beach in order to increase the privacy level. After discussion, members decided that it would be more efficient to intervene as a group in case of necessity.

9.3 Canoes and other watercraft – As is the case each year the issue of watercraft that are not moved and remain unidentified surfaced. The question was raised whether troublesome craft should be photographed then placed behind the beach shelter. Additionally members wondered whether the president should be advised of all debris found in the shelter. Christian Desjardins proposed, rather, that everyone pitch in to check on things and clean up as needed.

10. DATE OF THE NEXT ANNUAL ASSEMBLY

Marc Hervieux moved to hold the next general assembly on June 26, 2016 at 10:30 am. Motion seconded by Francine Gagnon. Unanimously carried.

11. ADJOURNMENT

Marc Hervieux moved to adjourn at 12:25 pm. Motion seconded by Lise Bujold. Unanimously carried.

President

Secretary