

DRAFT MINUTES OF UFRCA ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING
Sun. August 7, 2017, 10:00 a.m.
Solid Comfort Fishing Club

2016-17 AGM AGENDA

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| 1. Call to order and Opening Remarks (Dave Minden) | 10:00 |
| 2. Approval of 2016-17 AGM Agenda | |
| 3. Approval of the Minutes of the 2016 AGM (July 31, 2016) (Appendix A attached) | |
| 4. Introduction of the Current 2016-17 Board of Directors | |
| 5. Highlights of 2016-17 and Director's Reports | 10:20 |
| a. History – Liz Gallagher, Holly Waters | |
| b. Dokis Liaison – Holly Waters | |
| c. Publicity and Promotion – Kathy LaBranche | |
| d. Municipal Liaison/Security – Sam Goodwin | |
| e. Park/MNR – Peter Rooney | |
| f. Membership - Peter Rooney | |
| g. Environment – Liz Gribbon | |
| h. Social and Events – Jeff Hamilton | |
| 6. Photo Contest – Announcement of winners | 10:30 |
| 7. 2016-17 Financial Report/2017-18 Budget (Peter Rooney - Appendix B attached) | 10:45 |
| 8. Election of Directors for 2017-18 | 10:50 |
| 9. Closing Remarks/Adjournment – Peter Rooney | 11:00 |
| 10. Member Socializing – Complimentary Refreshments – Clean Up - Depart | 11:10 – 12:00 |

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Sunday August 6, 2017, 10:00 a.m.

Solid Comfort Fishing Club

1. Call to Order/Opening Remarks

Dave Minden (President) called the meeting to order at 10:11 AM.

2. Approval of the Agenda

MOTION: That the Agenda be approved as circulated to the members previously. Moved by John Hepburn; seconded by Steve Robinson. Carried.

3. Approval of the Draft 2015-16 AGM Minutes

MOTION: That the draft Minutes of the 2015-16 AGM be approved as circulated to the members previously. Moved by Dave Post; seconded by Amy Watkins. Carried.

4. Introduction of the 2016-17 Board of Directors

Dave Minden read into the record the names of the 2016-17 Board of Directors and introduced those that were present at the meeting:

- Dave Minden, President and Chair, Chair, MRNF and Communications (present)
- Sam Goodwin, Vice President, Secretary, and Chair, Municipal/Security (regrets)
- Peter Rooney, Treasurer and Park Liaison (present)
- Holly Waters, Dokis Liaison (regrets)
- Liz Gribbon, Chair, Environment (present)
- Liz Gallagher, Chair, Newsletter (regrets - resigning)
- Jeff Hamilton, Chair, Social (present)
- Kathy LaBranche, Chair, Publicity and Promotion (regrets - resigning)

5. Highlights of 2016-17/ Director's Reports

History Committee:

- "Tales of the French River" writings by Syd Sumner have been compiled into an electronic format; a survey will be upcoming regarding the possibility of printing for members and

cost will depend on the volume of copies printed

Chief Dokis:

- Unable to attend this year due to a travel commitment

Publicity and Promotion:

- Working on new French River t-shirts; please see Grant Hobson for t-shirts available to purchase for \$15 from previous years

Security

- Two break-ins reported to Police (not UFRCA) at South Bay and Sandy Haven

Municipal Liaison

- No news regarding a Police boat, likely waiting any political changes from October 2018 election

Park/MNR

- No news on Park
- Paul Cormier attending MNR/fisheries meetings since spring and will have data on walleye fisheries

Membership

- 140 members for this past year

Environment

- Sign up for Nature Watch, FOCA (Federation of Ontario Cottagers Association)
- Report any changes or threats in environment (water, plants, animals) to Nature Watch, FOCA or Liz Gribbon directly
- Liz Gribbon offers print out of various invasive species to share after the meeting or go directly to FOCA and Nature Watch web sites

Website and Newsletter

- Website upgraded this year
- 4 Newsletters this year – upgraded to new format with Chris Fry (brother of Holly Waters)

Mapping Project

- Update by Wendy Kennedy-Sadler who continues to update locations/coordinates
- Went by sea-doo with Holly Waters to update maps with cottages and 911 blue sign information
- Parry Sound side is unorganized township, therefore arbitrarily assigning numbers

Chief Commanda for Canada 150

- Docking was no longer available at most previous locations, which made it impossible to proceed with the cruise

Social and Events

- Email or see Jeff with any social ideas
- Reminder of today's Fish Fry at Chaudière Lodge with UFRCA sponsoring music, Bud Restoule will be playing. Pay at the dock to get a nametag, which allows you to get your meal. Event starts at 4:30 and the meal will be served from 4:30 pm – 6 pm. Reminder to bring your own chairs

6. Photo Contest

This year we would like to thank: Larry Smith, Lorna Blackett

- Nature category – 11 entries
- French River Life – 27 entries
- Scenery – 20 entries

The following winners and runners-up were announced.

- *Best overall:* Jeannie Palmer, Runner-up: Jamie Woodwell
- *Nature category:* First place: Holly Waters Runner up: Kim Waters
- *French River Life:* First Place: Lucy Cormier, Runner up: Christian Gracas
- *Scenery:* First Place: Holly Waters., Runner up: Kathy LaBranche

7. Financial Report

The 2015-16 Income and Expense Report (see attached) was reviewed by Peter Rooney, in which he noted there were few changes in expenses from year to year. New for this year were flowers sent to Mrs. Hill of Halcyon and \$800 to Riverview for emergency equipment. The same amount would also be available to Sandy Haven. The balance as of July 30, 2017 was \$10 206.68. Peter thanked everyone for paying their membership dues and presented a budget for 2017-18 year based on a projected membership of 135 members (see attached).

MOTION: That the 2016-17 Financial Statement and proposed 2017-18 Budget be approved as presented. Moved by Amanda Derks; seconded by Grant Hobson. Carried.

MOTION: That the 2017-18 Budget be approved as presented. Moved by Larry Smith, seconded by Dave Minden

8. Election of Directors: 2017-18

Dave Minden noted that the UFRCA bylaws speak to a Board of nine Directors and that three 3 members are retiring this year: Kathy LaBranche, Liz Gallagher, and Dave Minden. Dave presented the following slate of Board members for 2016-17, noting there are four vacancies:

- Peter Rooney
- Sam Goodwin
- Holly Waters
- Jeff Hamilton
- Liz Gribbon

Amanda Derks is nominated for a position on the Board.

MOTION: That the proposed slate of 2017-18 Board members be accepted. Moved by Shelley Belford; seconded by Larry Smith. Carried.

On behalf of the membership, Peter Rooney thanked Dave Minden for his service with the UFRCA Board. Peter read a thank you email from Sam Goodwin recognizing Dave's length of service and level of commitment. He has been an integral part of moving the organization forward and encouraging new members to join the Board. Muskoka chairs with a sign made by Holly were gifted to Dave and Jane. Dave spoke briefly to say that he appreciated the professionalism of the group and the opportunity to get involved. He noted that it had been a very satisfying experience and encouraged UFRCA members to also get involved. Dave and Jane will continue to update the website, however, are looking for someone to take this job on in the future.

9. Thanks to Solid Comfort Fishing Lodge

Dave Minden expressed the gratitude of UFRCA members to Solid Comfort Fish Lodge for their generosity again this year in making their facilities available for the AGM and taking care of docking.

10. Adjournment

MOTION: That the 2016-17 UFRCA Annual General Meeting be adjourned at 11:11 a.m. Moved by Larry Smith; seconded by Bill Diehl. Carried