

**MCCOY BAY ROAD ASSOCIATION
ANNUAL MEETING
Aug.2, 2020**

The Annual Meeting of the McCoy Bay Road Association was held on Sunday Aug 2, 2020 at the Y junction on the road.

Due to the Covid 19 pandemic, the meeting was postponed until Aug.2 and with the US border remaining closed Pres. Bill DuBois was unable to attend.
Past President Bruce Carwardine chaired the meeting for Bill.

1. Welcome

Bruce called the meeting to order.

2. Attendance

There were 25 households attending and 20 members who signed a proxy. We therefore had quorum.

3. Approval of minutes from Annual General Meeting July 9, 2019

It was moved by Rollie Kennedy and seconded by Gerry Schnurr that the minutes be accepted as circulated.
PASSED

4. Financial Report

David Ford presented the Financial Statements for the year ending March 31,2020. Copies were circulated on the website. He reiterated that he did not perform an audit, but a review.

David thanked Jan Van Velzen for her excellent work. He pointed out on the Balance Sheet that there was \$44,000 in the bank at year end. The operating fund was down a little. The Reserve Fund is held for contingencies and there was no money added to it this year reflecting the slight operating deficit of \$2,000.
Summer maintenance expenses were up \$7,000 over last summer but in line with the year before, and winter expenses were up \$500.

It was moved by Brian Currie and seconded by Steve Kerr that the Financial Statements be accepted as presented.
PASSED

Bruce reported that the members fees would remain the same as they have been for 10 years at \$330.

Mary reported that 44 people had returned their fee sheets indicating that they approved of the waiving of an audit in favour of the financial review. Those present agreed.

Bruce thanked David for his work on our behalf.

5. Road Report

Gord Budd reported that the cost of black granite has gone up from \$16.00 to \$17.25/ tonne We will continue to use about 800-1,000 tonnes/ year. The price of grading has gone from \$100/hr to \$110/hr. So far this year, we have had 50 hours of grading. A grading has been scheduled for Tues of the coming week. Bruce explained that the gravel and grading are virtually one operation these days as the black granite we now use has to be spread when dropped. Brushing is scheduled for mid-August.

Our winter maintenance contract has gone up from \$11,996. to \$12,481.

There was a question about the trees that have fallen and whether it is our responsibility to clear them or whether they are part of contracted work. They are our responsibility. Ted Kingdon volunteered to chainsaw the debris that intrudes into the roadway.

There was a question as to whether the logging company chipped in any money. Bruce reported that they did not, but they fixed "Gord's corner" which was going to cost us \$10,000.

6. Logging Report

Bruce reported that Bill had talked to his contact Tyler. They thought that they would finish logging this year but they will be returning over the winter. We were unhappy about the setback that was agreed to but not adhered to. It was agreed that they would not come within 30 meters of the road and there is documentation between the BMFC and the Ministry of Natural Resources and Forestry that says 20 meters, but in some places they cut right next to the road. Bruce reminded everyone that the BMFC had all the rights and we have none! They did not respect our agreement so the question is - do we want to refuse them access to our right-of-way? This may cause them to build a bypass or if it is too expensive, they may suspend operations. We need a decision by Thanksgiving. Doug Allison suggested that we ask for a deposit of \$10,000 which we would return if they adhere to the agreement. Rollie Kennedy suggested that we need to write a letter to the Ministry to say that we aren't happy with the breach of our agreement regarding setbacks and would like to meet with them to discuss this. We could suggest the deposit at such a meeting.

Doug asked Rollie to write such a letter and he agreed.

7. Quarry

Jeff Major met with the prospector this winter and provided notes to the association. The prospector, Mr. Brown, proposed selling the claim to us and threatened to sell it to a large company with deep pockets who could go forward with the claim.

Steve Kerr reported that the JLA has had a committee that has been working on this for a year. Mr. Brown's license has expired but due to Covid it has been extended for another year. The JLA has complained to the Ministry of Northern Development and Mines. JLA has receive support for their position from HBM, our local MPP, a petition of 1,700 signatures and other environmental groups. Nature Ontario has identified areas that should be exempt from resource development. Jacks Lake was third of thirty.

8. Elections

There being no nominations from the floor, it was moved by Pat Reid and seconded by Pierre Bertrand that the nomination of Gerry Schnurr, Treasurer and Jan VanVelzen, Secretary be approved.

PASSED

Bruce asked that someone step up to be President when Bill's term ends next year. Bill has stated that he will not be staying on.

9. Remaining Business

There was a question about a pipe that was missing. Bruce reported that at about km 4.1 a Beaver Baffler is missing and needs to be replaced.

There was a question about km 1 area by the little marsh where there is steep slope. Can it be built up so that it is not so steep?

Bruce will discuss these issues with Bill.

There was a question as to whether anyone knew who drove a dark coloured Range Rover. It has been reported driving at unsafe speeds and endangering bicyclists.

There was a question as to the condition of our old drag. Bruce reported that John Huck and Dave Scott are repairing our existing drag and are waiting for parts. It will also be available for use on spurs and driveways.

There was a question as to whether we can get any help from the Ministry to help monitor the compliance of the loggers. Bruce said that they are monitored by the Ministry in regards to harvest. After Bill contacted Tyler, they did clean up their garbage. Steve reported that the JLA complained about logging too close to the road and that the ministry sent someone out who said that all was satisfactory.

There was a question about replanting and whose responsibility it is. Bruce said that it was clear at the get-go that there would not be any replanting. It was asked if the cottagers might replant and ask the Ministry for financing.

There being no further business it was moved by Garry Schnurr that the meeting be adjourned.

Bruce thanked everyone for coming.

Meeting Adjourned