



Bayview on Parry Sound Association

AGM Minutes

Annual General Meeting: Carling Township Outdoor Rink

August 3, 2024: 10:00am – 12:00pm

1. Welcome & Call the meeting to order: Barry Turner, President

- Barry announced that there would be a short delay in opening the meeting. More time was needed for the large numbers of members to sign in and receive voting cards.
- The meeting began at 10:15 with the secretary establishing the quorum of more than 10 members. Number of members in attendance for voting. There were 29 + 1 Associate member in attendance plus 15 proxy votes.
- Barry welcomed the members.
- Gord Harrison, Fire Chief, was introduced to speak about plans for Carling's Evacuation Plan. On September 11th, there will be home visits conducted. This is part of a 5-year plan with the aim of improving "Fire Smart". Alerts on cell phones will be initiated in an emergency. There are now 18 members on the Volunteer Fire Team
- Barry thanked Gord, then spoke to the membership on the importance of maintaining a positive community spirit. All members should show respect for one another. He thanked those who have continued to be supportive of the efforts of the Board.

2. Member and Associate member voting: Barry Turner

- Review of guidelines for voting plus rules for any proxy votes.
- Voting cards were also explained and members were encouraged to stand when speaking and to hold their voting # up.

3. Adoption of the minutes for 2023 AGM: (Posted on the website. Copies were available to review if needed).

Motion to accept the minutes: #A Secunder #25 Accepted by 42 members 1 abstained.

4. Proposed changes to the Constitution. (Copies were provided for members review)

- Debbie Cooper explained several proposed changes that fall under ONCA jurisdiction.
- She also clarified the definitions of "Member" and "Non-Resident Member". There was a great deal of discussion regarding Non-Resident membership. There appeared to be concern that we were allowing "outsiders" to use our beaches. It was explained that the number of Non-Resident memberships is presently capped at 10. MOTION To Include in the revised constitution for clarification: Moved by #36, SECOND by #25. Any Non-Resident Member who is a non-resident of Bayview, must be a resident of Carling Township. Non-Resident Members will not be allowed to be elected as a Board member.
- #19 challenged the right to present changes to the constitution. Support was not received.

- Jessica went on to explain that notice had been given of pending changes to the constitution on the website.
- Barry explained the use of electronic messages. This was a request of the membership at the 2023 AGM.
- #17 asked about the history of having Non-Resident Members. Debbie read the “historical” item in the constitution from 10 years ago. #8 contributed to the history. #25 supported the historical reasoning for having Non-Resident Memberships.
- It was explained that the number of Non-Resident Members is capped at 10 but could change at the discretion of the Board in conjunction with members. Motion to accept: #30, second #26.
- #26 + #22 complained about the increase in the number of people and the increase of traffic within the Bayview subdivision.
- # 29 challenged the method being used.
- #3 was against our method voting for Board members.
- Membership used voting cards to accept the proposed changes, with the amendment to the definition of associate membership. 38 in favour 0 opposed.
- Debbie continued to explain the changes in dates for payment of membership fees. It is now August 31st of each year.
- There will also be a change in the number of Board members from 9 to 7. The terms of office will also change to 4 years. To initiate this process, the Board will stagger the future number of vacancies by deciding who will serve a 1, 2,3,4-year term at the September meeting. Following that, each Board member will serve a 4-year term. This will support continuity.
- Motion to accept the proposed changes to the Constitution and to accept the amended changes. #25 , second #9 Vote indicated: 38 yes and 6 no. Motion passed.

4. Election/ Approval for Board of Directors for 2024/25:

- Introduction of the slate of officers as presented by the committee. New term explained previously. Jessica Snyder (V.P.) introduced those seeking re-election: Barry Turner, Jessica Snyder, Sharon Lillie, Gary Bauer, Sigi Krause, Debbie Cooper, Greg Cooper. She thanked all Board members for their service.
- It was announced that Margaret Mooy would be stepping down from the Board.
- It was also indicated that Kathy Watson had submitted a letter of application. Kathy was given 5 minutes to introduce herself to the membership.
- Each qualified voting member had received a ballot slip with 8 names listed in alphabetical order.
- Ballots were submitted to scrutineers: #A, #21, #29
- Votes are counted and successful names were submitted to the secretary. The following candidates were successful in their bid to be elected: Gary Bauer, Debbie Cooper, Greg Cooper, Sigi Krause, Sharon Lillie, Jessica Snyder, Barry Turner
- Concerns expressed:
 - There should not be more than one Board member from the same household. (#39) Barry addressed this. Next AGM we could ask that candidates declare if a partner is also running.

- It was also requested (#37) #36, #42 that nominations should be accepted from the floor at the AGM. This would necessitate a change to the constitution and would need approval at next year's AGM.
- #29 opposed presenting a slate of candidates.
- Motion to destroy the Ballots: #A second #25 In favour: 39
- #19 made a request to list all applicant names on the website 10 days before the AGM **ACTION:**
The board will post the list of applicants before the AGM.

5. Financial Report: Jessica Snyder

- Accountants' report has been posted on the website. A detailed paper copy was available on request.
- Jessica explained that the Board had accepted the resignation of the elected treasure. Since that time, Jessica has been covering the duties of that position.
- There are 152 paid memberships. Accepting payment for August 2024 through July 2025 membership continues.
- Maintenance fees of \$10,000 were explained.
- # 36 requested further details of cleaning up beaches, cutting trees and location of picnic tables. There had been several washouts on the beaches. It was shared that we have consulted with Carling Township for advice. Delays were caused by contracted workers being backlogged with jobs.
- Questions entertained.
- #4 made a motion to accept the financial report as presented. Second #21 45 voted in favour, 0 opposed. Motion passed.

6. President's Report: Barry Turner

- Beach clean-up was further explained with details.
- -Dock safety and maintenance: All docks must have numbers and "private property" signs. The docking committee does make inspections.
- Barry attends group president meetings from other associations in Carling. A presentation will be made to Council in August.
- -Community safety: If there are concerns that can't be handled on an individual basis, it is best to call Carling Bylaw department or the OPP
- #29 had concerns with dogs trespassing and owners not picking up after their dogs.
- There was a request for more safety signs posted along roadways. This should be a request for the township.

7. New Business: -

- Docking agreement update: Margaret Mooy: Our new 10-year agreement has been signed by the mayor after council approval. The process took 6 months to complete.
 - The lease is based on the previous 10-year agreement with some changes made at the direction of the CAO.
 - Changes include: Bayview MAY install a common dock for the use of all residents, but this comes at a cost, with liability and an increase in volunteer hours. The alternative was to have

Carling be responsible for the dock BUT that would necessitate giving access to the general public.

- All owners must be members in good standing and have numbers and private property signs affixed to the docks.
- All dock owners must have a residential unit on their Bayview property. Those who gained access to a dock previous this, have grandfather standing.
- The fee has increased from \$50 per year to \$500 per year. This is to bring the fees to a closer alignment with others in Carling.
- All rights to docking privileges are rescinded if the property in Bayview is sold.
- We have permission for additional docks at Loon Bay and Matthew Bay, but the membership has indicated that they would not support this.
- Presently, we have 14 individuals on the waitlist for a dock.
- #25 countered the necessity to have a residential unit according to a lawyer opinion. This was based on the previous agreement and has been changed.
- #25 stated that it would be important to notify Real Estate agents that docks can not be transferred to new owners. **ACTION: Directors will send out an annual reminder to the real estate board.**
- #19 asked if the extra dock spaces are shown on the original map from the 2014 agreement. (yes)
- #37 asked about the criteria for getting a dock. (This was explained previously)
- Chain at Beauty Beach: The cost for this would exceed \$4000
 - #26 made a motion: A gate is not necessary #25 seconded the motion.
 - 36 voted in favour 1 opposed 1 abstained Motion carried.
- #22 raised the issue of preserving our environment: Wanted to know WHO is looking after our environment. With the increase in residents, traffic, boats it was felt that our environment is suffering. #22 made a motion for the Board to research what could be done to improve the state of affairs.
Second #29
37 accepted this motion, 2 opposed. Motion carried.
Jessica volunteered to contact the Georgian Bay Biosphere Association **ACTION: Barry will present this issue to the Association Presidents group. ACTION: Jessica will contact Georgian Bay Biosphere.**

8. Adjournment:

- Motion to adjourn #21 second #22 at 12:42pm. 32 accepted the adjournment.