

CLCA GENERAL MEETING

3rd July, 2022, 10:00 am

Jamboree Hall

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President Christian Robin called the meeting to order. Land Acknowledgment

Approval of the Agenda

Motion: Sandy Kluka 75 3rd St S **Second:** Ron McPhail 7 2nd St S - Carried

Approval of the June 2021 Meeting Minutes

Motion: Tammy Cobbe 19 3rd St S **Second:** Jacqueline Chapin-Downey 39 3rd St S - Carried

Treasurer's Report:

The Treasurer's report was presented. Treasurer's report to be accepted as read.

Motion: Keith Vinthers 2nd St N **Second:** Gale Simpson 3rd St S Carried

President's Report

Holding a membership drive this year. Membership fee is \$10.00 and if paid by July 15th, name will be entered for a draw for a \$50.00 gift certificate from The Chocolate Fox. After the membership drive there will be a survey sent out to the membership. The results of the survey will be used to set priorities for the CLCA Board to focus on with relation to their advisory role with Parks Canada on behalf of the membership. The given priorities of the CLCA Board are Communication with CLCA members, engagement with CLCA members and Education by the CLCA and its membership.

Motion: Sandy Kluka 75 3rd St S. **Second:** Christian Robin 1st St S – Carried

Parks Canada Representatives, Superintendent Leanne Cooper & Realty Advisor Alison Bardsley

Superintendent Leanne Cooper started the presentation opening with a discussion of the management team and communicated that there are a lot of new members on the team.

Relationship with the indigenous people is important to Parks Canada as the relationship was non-existent during the 1930's. There are Truth and Reconciliation booklets available at the visitor centre and encouraged individuals to access them.

The focus is on working with the indigenous people with regards to culture, land connection, and spiritual awareness. Parks Canada conducts archeological assessments and recognizes the cultural impacts with regards to the archeological finds.

There is a management plan put together every ten years. The process is currently underway in collaboration with the First Nations/Indigenous people.

Infrastructure/capital investments

Parks Canada runs on an operational budget. They do receive capital investments on occasion. They are currently working on a long-term capital plan in hopes of securing capital investments to implement the plans.

There has been a lot of infrastructure damage this spring due to flooding etc. The Main Pier, Highway 19 and many of the trails received damages that will need to be fixed/repared and some that will require long term repairs.

Parks has developed a pilot program that has been implemented for the purpose of developing a detailed trail information system. People will be given a device that they will take on trails and this will allow for an extensive and detailed report on the conditions and accessibility the trail.

Accessibility remains a focus for Parks Canada. The Visitor Centre currently has wheel chairs that are for public use. One of the chairs allows access to the water. This is also a new program, and individuals are encouraged to make use of the wheel chairs and report back to the Visitor Centre in order to develop the program further. There is also the possibility of a mobility mat being located at the Main Beach if the supply chain issues are rectified.

Invasive Species - Smallmouth Bass continue to be an issue and they pose a risk to the ecological integrity of the lake. Currently there is a pilot project running with the Indigenous community in hopes of controlling the small mouth bass. There are no limits for this species and if there is one caught, it is to be taken to the invasive species building located at the cove so they can measure and weigh the fish.

Alison Bardsley continued the communication. She opened with an overview of the washroom situation in the old campground. There are four washrooms that will remain open and maintained this season. There is one washroom in the south-end that has a leak, but repairs are ongoing at this time.

The 2nd St access to the swimming and kayak area remains a priority to the park and there is hope that there will be monies provided for completion of work to the area. The issues at the Cove boat launch area are being addressed in the long-term plan.

The water and sewer billing that is mailed out in July will be higher this year, as there will be a cost recovery of previous years expenses. There has been a calculation error from 2017 onwards, so the correction will see approx. \$65.00 added to this year's billing.

Fibre Optic Internet - Westman Communication fibre optics is coming as announced by the Federal Government, and Clear Lake is included in this announcement. Formal announcement is possible in the next four to eight weeks.

Lease Compliance - After the management planning has concluded, the community planning will start up, possibly by 2025. The goal for the leasehold land is to reduce the footprint that each lease holder has. Any off-lot development will be removed. New leases are being addressed currently as all off-lot development has to be removed before a lease can change hands.

Question and Answer

Q: Kayak launch dock that is located at 2nd St is not there. When will it be put in place?

A: The Kayak dock was damaged and as soon as PC receives parts it will be repaired and put in place

Q: Can there be recycling bins placed in the Old Campground area?

A: This is part of the long-term plan.

Q: Is it possible to have signage for the Marsh walk place on 5th St. There are a lot of people that end up on 5th St and need directions.

A: This information will be passed on to the team. Added that there is trail information, but the new pilot project will add to this information.

Q: Is there a plan other than beavers to regulate the water level?

A: PC recognizes the issue, but is trying to be as environmentally conscious as possible when dealing with this type of issue.

Q: The swimming area at 2nd St is not defined and boats come into the area which is dangerous for swimmers. Why is the swimming area no longer defined at 2nd St?

A: The area at 2nd St is not a public swim area on the Parks Canada books. It is listed as a kayak launch area for Old Campground residents.

Q: When did 2nd St and 5th St docks cease to be swimming areas?

A: Due to safety and accessibility issues Parks Canada cannot promote them as long-term swimming areas. For the purpose of clarification, the Main Beach is the official swim area. The 2nd and 5th street areas are swimming at your own risk.

Parks Canada representatives concluded their presentation. President Christian Robin thanked them for their time.

New Business

Survey results will be discussed with the CLCA Board and the results will be taken to Parks Canada through a Public Consultation

Vegetation Plan: Dangerous trees are being identified and removed. If there is any concern with regards to a tree, call the administrative office.

Adjournment