

## Minutes of the Otter Lake Ratepayers' Association (OLRA) Board Meeting Wednesday, August 23, 2023

**Attendees:** Martin Chepesiuk, Brad Chittick, Rob Cribbie, Gerry Doyle, Brian Hindley, Nicole Mailloux, AJ Mueller, Kerry Mueller

**Regrets:** David Amy

**1. Welcome:** Kerry Mueller started the Zoom meeting at 8:05 am. Quorum was confirmed.

**2. 2024 BBQ Plan Discussion:** Preliminary survey results ranked the BBQ last of the six annual OLRA organized events/programs, had no positive BBQ comments, and provided suggestions such as the BBQ being more family oriented. In addition, from 2019 to 2023, inclusive, ticket sales declined from 73 to 51, and OLRA subsidies of the BBQ increased from \$220 to \$492. A change is needed to increase participation from members, if it is to continue. Many ideas were discussed relating to the 2024 BBQ Plans, including 1) holding the BBQ at a different time/date, with/without food, indoors/outdoors/both, and/or at another venue and 2) only focusing on other preferred events listed in the survey and cancelling the BBQ. Holding the BBQ at a venue different from Tappattoo's would require the serious commitment from volunteers in addition to OLRA Board volunteers. Alternate locations discussed were the Foley Community Centre/Fairgrounds, the Marina, Carter's Landing and the park on Little Otter Lake.

**Board Decision:** Further research is needed before a final decision is made.

**Actions:**

- Kerry Mueller and Rob Cribbie will explore with Tappattoo's, the possibility of hosting a family oriented real indoor/outdoor BBQ with maybe a safe place to hold games for children and costs. Tappattoo related survey results will be provided to them.
- Board members should visit the Foley Community Centre/Fairgrounds to get a feel of possibilities.
- Gerry and Rob will summarize the survey results and feedback.

**3. Adjournment:** Kerry Mueller called the meeting to a close at 9: 30 am.

### **ADDENDUM A**

#### **Email Business and Resolutions from August 8, 2023 to August 23, 2023**

**Motion:** To approve the minutes of the August 8, 2023 meeting.

- Moved by Kerry Mueller by email on August 8, 2023
- Seconded by AJ Mueller by email on August 8, 2023
- **Motion carried** by email on August 8, 2023

### Acronyms

- AGM: Annual General Meeting
- ATV: All-Terrain Vehicle
- Cl: Chloride (salt)
- dB: decibel
- DC: Decibel Coalition
- DFO: Department of Fisheries and Oceans
- DO: Dissolved Oxygen
- EP: Environmental Protection
- FOCA: Federation of Ontario Cottagers Association
- FOI: Freedom of Information
- GBB: Georgian Bay Biosphere
- LPP: Lake Protection Program
- MECP: Ministry of the Environment, Conservation and Parks
- MMAH: Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing (MMAH)
- MNRF: Ministry of Natural Resources and Forestry
- MZO: Ministerial Zoning Order
- OLRA: Otter Lake Ratepayers' Association
- OLT: Ontario Land Tribunal
- ONCA: Ontario Not-for-Profit Corporations Act
- OP: Seguin Township Official Plan
- OPP: Ontario Provincial Police
- PCOC: Pleasure Craft Operator Card
- PFD: Personal Floatation Device
- PPS: Provincial Policy Statement
- PWC: Power Water Craft
- SAR: Species at Risk
- SQL: Safe Quiet Lakes
- SRA: Shoreline Allowance
- STA: Short Term Accommodation
- STR: Short Term Rental
- TC: Transport Canada
- WDALB: Where Does a Lake Begin