

Muskrat Watershed Council



MUSKRAT WATERSHED COUNCIL (MWC)

Meeting of the Board of Directors

Meeting Minutes

Online through Google Meets

December 17, 2020- 6:30 P.M.

1. Call to Order and Record of Attendance

The meeting of the Muskrat Watershed Council was called to order at 6:30PM.

Attendance:

Present: Karen Coulas, Erin Dolan, Barbara Green, Debbie MacDonald, David Thomassin, Jeff Reeves, Megan Rae

Regrets: Andy Laird, Gerry Rook, Rene Coulas, Thomas Watt, Michael Gulliver, Evelyn St. Amour, Vince Gervais, Karl Lauten, Marie Janick Robitaille, Andrea Bishop, Steve Saunders

Council Representatives Regrets: Claus Trost, Township of Laurentian Valley Township

Council Representative Regrets: Mike Moore, Township of Whitewater Region,

2. Adoption of Agenda

Barb approved the agenda, Debbie seconded it.

Approval of previous minutes:

Jeff approved the minutes first, Barb seconded them.

3. Treasurer's Report

- See attached document

4. Director's Reports:

Agricultural Committee Update – Karen and Rene Coulas

- BMP Workshop: Karen sat in on an AG workshop by Jennifer Doleman. It was on the topic of why people don't volunteer. Some ideas were: misinformation, cost, etc. Karen was thinking in the future we could send out some information to farmers. The workshop was talking more about different farm related programs in the States.

Science Committee Update – David Thomassin

- No updates

Communications & Media

- Ontario Agri-Research Initiative update: Megan started working on the grant. We were able to get quite a bit of local support for a project idea. Megan was able to connect with several local groups. If we were accepted, the person that applies needs to be the project lead. Megan just accepted a full time job. Given the parameters of this specific grant, it would be unlikely that we would receive this grant given that Megan would not be able to take the full time lead. We will not apply at this time, and we will save the information for future grants. We will be able to use the information in the spring when there are other grants available.
- G-Suites for non profits: We have been paying. G-suites just came out with a non profit deal, in which it is free. It's better than our original plan. We would just need to send in proof that we are a non profit organization. Debbie and Dave will take some time and figure it out at a later date.

Fundraising Committee Update - Karen

- No update

5. Old Business – Updates

- There are a few boxes of LUSH products at Karen's place. They are getting old. We will look into donating it somewhere.

6. Other/New Business

- New secretary: Erin will be stepping down as secretary at the end of February. Barb has volunteered to take notes for the foreseeable future. With COVID and online meetings she can participate consistently, but if we no longer had online meetings, she would not always be able

to participate due to living in the city. Megan will post an ad on our Facebook page to see if anyone local is available / interested.

7. Next Meeting:

NOTE: WE WILL BE MEETING IN THE DOWNSTAIRS HALL WITH ENTRANCE AND PARKING THROUGH THE BACK (or online if needed).

8. Adjournment: 7:20pm

Minutes recorded and submitted by: _____
Erin Dolan, Secretary, Muskrat Watershed Council

Approved by: _____
Karen Coulas, Chair, Muskrat Watershed Council

MUSKRAT WATERSHED COUNCIL

TREASURER'S REPORT - December 2020

Meeting Nov. 19, 2020 - Scotia Account Balance

\$ 29,398.95

Business Chequing Account

Income

Expenses

Service charge (Monthly fee & statement prep) \$ (8.00)

Total Income

\$0.00

Total Expenses

\$ (8.00)

Current Amount in Scotia Account

\$ 29,390.95

(Note: Float \$240.60)

Nov. 19, 2020 - BMO Account Balance

\$ 4,651.02

SBCNA Charity Gaming Business Account

Income

Expenses

Maintenance Fee \$ (2.50)

Total Income

\$ -

Total Expenses

\$ (2.50)

Current Amount in BMO Account

\$ 4,648.52