

#### Lake Joseph North Association AGM

Saturday, July 30<sup>th</sup>, 2022 - 9 to 10:30 Gordon Bay Marine – Boat Showroom And virtually by Zoom

# 2022 AGM Agenda:

Welcome & Approval of Agenda

Presentations from Municipal Candidates

Mayor

**Mayor Ann MacDiarmid** 

Ward 4

**Councillor Terry Fellner** 

Ward 3

**Councillor Rod Osborne Greg Getty** 

#### **Association Business**

- President's Report
- Approval of 2021 AGM Minutes
- Treasurer's Report
- Municipal Affairs OP Survey
- Election of 2022/23 Directors
- Questions Other Business

#### **Invited Guests**

Safe Quiet Lakes Update

**Other Business** 





# Municipal Candidate Presentations

**Frances Carmichael** 

## Introduction

- Most of LJNA is in Ward 4 but some are in Ward 3.
   Waterfront residents represent the majority of electors in Ward 4. Our votes are important.
- Municipal matters are an important part of LJNA's mandate.
   We bring a voice to Council on issues that matter to our members.
- LJNA will be active this fall to promote participation in the election. We feel it is important that our members understand what the candidates stand for, how they feel about the issues that are important to us, and what they are prepared to do over the next four years



# Municipal elections in October 24th

- Make sure you are on the voter's list: www.voterlookup.ca Voter Look(up).ca
- YOU CAN VOTE IF:
  - 18 or older
  - a Canadian citizen
  - and you, or your spouse, own or rent property in Seguin NOTE: You can vote in more than one municipality.
- Electronic & phone voting: October 11<sup>th</sup> to 24<sup>th</sup>
- In the fall, Seguin will mail you information on how to vote. For details go to www.seguin.ca



## **Candidate Presentations**

- Nominations close on August 19<sup>th</sup>
- Today, we are fortunate to have presentations from
  - Mayor Ann MacDiarmid.
  - Terry Fellner, for Ward 4.
  - Rod Osborne, for Ward 3.
  - Greg Getty is also a candidate for Ward 3 but is unable to attend today.
- Mayor MacDiarmid and Terry Fellner are currently unopposed

## **Presentation Format**

The Presentations will be in 2 segments:

- 1. Presentations by candidates: 5 min. ea
- 2. Followed by a 10 min. question period.

Replies to questions will be limited to 1 min.

Each candidate will have the opportunity to answer a question.





# President's Report

**Nancy Cohen** 

### Goals 2008 and Now

# Lake Joseph North Association – The Future

- Seek to build and maintain a broad consensus
- ➤ Bring together a shared passion for this place of unique beauty → it is ours to preserve and hand off to the next generation
- Promote education as well as regulation
- Stay connected to other like minded organizations— MLA, Seguin Lake Associations, Seguin Council
- > Stay politically involved



# Our Association is our members

By participating as members, and volunteers, you are continuing this legacy of leadership.

We are community with a shared a passion for keeping our lake beautiful: the water, the surrounding shoreline and views, the natural environment.

LJNA activities are motivated by and focused on working together to preserve our lake for future generations.



# This Past Year - Highlights

#### **Municipal Activities:**

- Providing input to revisions to the Seguin Official Plan,
- Staying on top of council activities such as shoreline alteration by-laws,
   Short Term Rental bylaws and, local land planning approvals,

#### Staying in touch with like minded organizations

- Meeting of Seguin Area Lake Associations this June. Sharing information
- MLA Land Use Committee and Election planning committee
- Muskoka Watershed Council, FOCA, Muskoka Conservancy, ...

#### **Communications – Messages to all lake users**

- Regular and well received e-news. Around 80% reading it each edition.
- Summer 2022 Newsletter and dock drop 475 copies delivered

#### **Water Quality Monitoring Continues:**

- Pilot of Benthic testing last August.
- Continued participation in MLA water quality



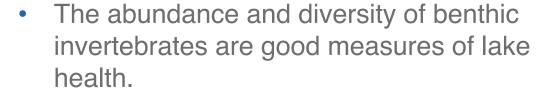
# Water Quality Initiatives

- MLA Water quality testing got back on track in 2021. The results show Lake Joe North is the only major lake with all green results.
- Monthly sampling in Hamer Bay contract w/ Riverstone ongoing.
- Report to review long term data from testing in Hamer Bay is still stalled due to COVID. We don't have any concerns.
- Join this team testing takes place 4 times per summer.
   Contact Alex: magditsch@comcor.com to learn what's involved.



# Benthics - Bugs in the mud Join us August 20<sup>th</sup>







 The District runs a Biological Monitoring Program with staff providing expertise, training and equipment.



- Counting the bugs in the mud August 20<sup>th</sup>: About 5 volunteers are needed for about 3 hrs.
- Please get in touch with Lynda at lyndamccarthy22@gmail.com



# Fireboat Launch – Sept 3<sup>rd</sup>!



Mark your calendars and plan to join us for the launch and ice cream social:

Saturday September 3<sup>rd,</sup> 2 to 4pm

**At Gordon Bay Marine** 

More details to come by email

We look forward to celebrating with the whole community!

Thank you to the many donors and volunteers who made this happen.



# Coming Year – Top Initiatives

- Elections are coming: getting the vote out, sharing information about the candidates and issues, .....
- Survey seeking membership input on OP, Short Term Rental, Shoreline alteration and then providing input to Council
- Recruiting: many opportunities available: municipal matters, newsletters and website, water testing, boating safety ... Bring your ideas to the table!
- Round table on boating safety: signage in key locations
- Investigate updating our by-laws its been 20 years!
- Develop strategy to bolster our reserves.





# Treasurer's Report

**Shelley Spence - Treasurer** 

#### Receipts and Disbursements – 2021/22

FOR THE YEAR ENDED	BUDGET Year ended March 31, 2022	ACTUAL Year ended March 31, 2022	Difference from Budget March 31, 2022
Receipts :			
Membership fees	27,000	23,250	(3,750)
Voluntary contributions	1,000	1,425	425
Draw on general/water reserves	3,930	·	(3,930)
9	31,930	24,675	(7,255)
Expenses:			•
Legal and planning consultant	4,000	2,390	(1,610)
Water consulting report	3,930		(3,930)
Annual water quality testing	8,645	7,650	(995)
Newsletter and annual meeting	3,300	1,886	(1,414)
Website & Technology	2,617	649	(1,969)
BDO tax return	750	(203)	(953)
Bank charges	300	166	(135)
Insurance	1,809	1,809	-
Memberships (FOCA)	900	765	(135)
Other	500	233	(267)
Support for other organizations			
Muskoka Conservancy	1,000	1,000	-
Safe Quiet Lakes	2,500	2,500	-
Water testing MLA	1,000	(500)	(1,500)
Community events	250_	<del>-</del>	(250)
	31,501	18,344	(13,157)
Excess of receipts over disbursements for the year	429	6,331	5,902
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#### Balance Sheet Balance Sheet Ended March 31, 2022

	As of March 31, 2022
Assets	
Current Assets	
Cash and Cash Equivalent	
1001 Bank	33,045
Total Cash and Cash Equivalent	33,045
1002 Deposit Re Water Testing	1,000
Total Current Assets	34,045
Total Assets	34,045
Liabilities and Equity	
Liabilities	
Current Liabilities	
2001 Accrued Liabilities	2,000
Total Current Liabilities	2,000
Reserves	
3001 Water Testing	9,110
3002 Water, Planning, and Legal	5,000
3003 General	11,604
Total Non-current Liabilities	25,714
Total Liabilities	27,714
Equity	
Profit for the year	6,331
Total Equity	6,331
Total Liabilities and Equity	34,045



#### **Budgets - Last year and this year**

FOR THE YEAR ENDED	BUDGET Year ended March 31, 2023	BUDGET Year ended March 31, 2022
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Receipts:		
Membership fees	25,575	27,000
Voluntary contributions	1,000	1,000
Draw on general/water reserves	4,000	3,390
	30,575	31,390
Expenses:		
Legal and planning consultant	4,000	4,000
Water consulting report	3,390	3,390
Annual water quality testing	8,900	8,645
Newsletter and annual meeting	3,385	3,300
Website & Technology	2,600	2,617
BDO tax return	-	750
Bank charges	300	300
Insurance	1,809	1,809
Memberships (FOCA)	900	900
Other	500	500
Support for other organizations	4.000	4 000
Muskoka Conservancy	1,000	1,000
Safe Quiet Lakes	2,500	2,500
Water testing MLA	1,000	1,000
Community events	250	250
	30,534	30,961
Excess of receipts over Disbursements for the year	41	429





# Municipal Update

**James Buchanan** 

## Introduction

- LJNA represents the interest of shoreline residents on the Seguin Twp section of Lake Joseph and Portage Lake
- Municipal matters are an important part of LJNA's mandate
- We aim to work constructively with township officials and staff
  - Strong working relationships with Planning Department impacted by turnover



### This Past Year

- Monitored increasing numbers of Committee of Adjustment and Zoning By-law Amendment applications
  - Submissions on several cases
- Submitted a letter on shoreline alteration policy
- Liaised with planning consultant supporting OP review
  - Key insights from a professional planner and cottager
- Participated on OP steering committee
- Submitted a letter on the first public OP draft



# OP Review Background

- What is an Official Plan?
  - A municipal policy document that guides decisions on land use and development and is implemented by the Zoning By-Law
- Current OP is 15 years old LJNA significantly involved
- Generally considered to be a "good plan"
- Steering committee formed comprising elected leaders, town planning staff, and community reps (incl. Tom Enns and James Buchanan)

### **OP Process**

- Steering Committee formed almost two years ago
- Multiple rounds of conversation on major planning topics
- Partial reviews of internal drafts
- Review of first public draft...this is a work in progress
- Several more iterations expected over the remainder of this year



# **Key Themes**

- Environment first
- Affordable housing
- Economic diversification
- Protect the lake system



## LJNA Issues Addressed

- Boating Impact
  - Assessment requirement to commercial development
- Blasting
  - Discourage unnecessary blasting and encourage using landscape as it is
- Consultation Process
  - Commitment to revised process and formalizing role of lake associations
- Uses
  - Revise process for applications for expanded uses



## LJNA Issues In Process

- Recreational Carrying Capacity
  - Refine approach to better reflect unique lake issues and protect the environment
- Character Provisions
  - Redefine setback requirements, coverage limit, accessory buildings etc
- Floating Cottages
  - Eliminate
- Short-term Rentals
  - Distinguish between lakefront and other properties



# **Next Steps**

- Participate in Short-term rental consultation process - LJNA and individually
- Actively participate in Official Plan review
- Survey of membership on key OP issues and other municipal matters
- Contact me directly as a steering committee member (<u>jbuchanan@rockledges.com</u>)





## **Election of Directors**

**Nancy Cohen** 

## Directors for 2022/23

Nancy	Cohen	President
James	Buchanan	Municipal Affairs, Secretary (Interim)
Frances	Carmichael	Municipal Affairs
Bruce	Hatherley	AGM Host
Elizabeth	Jennings	Membership
Alex	Magditsch	Water Quality
Harris	Ord	Director
Diana	Piquette	Fireboat Project
Blair	Sinclair	Dock Drop
Shelley	Spence	Treasurer



# How you can help

- Talk to your neighbours and friends about the work of the LJNA.
- Get involved:
  - Communications
     — website, newsletter, election articles
  - Municipal Affairs,
  - Help organize the AGM, Dock drop
  - Water testing, Benthic testing team
  - Bring your ideas to the table
- Stay in touch with any questions, feedback or ideas



# Questions and Other Business

#### Contact Us

- General Email: info@ljna.org
- Membership: membership@ljna.org
- Secretary: secretary@ljna.org
- Treasurer: treasurer@ljna.org
- Website: www.ljna.org





# Safe Quiet Lakes

Diana Piquette and Greg Wilkinson

## Information Table

- Candidate information
- CNIB Lake Joe: Dock to Dock Taste of Muskoka
  - Saturday August 13th
- West Parry Sound Hospital Foundation Parry Sound Castaway Event – Aug 9<sup>th</sup>
- Talk to me about opportunities to help the Rosseau Nursing Station
- Safe Quiet Lakes



# Thank-you!

To Gordon Bay Marine, MTAV - Barrie, GB Software - Parry Sound

To the many volunteers that keep our programs running throughout the year

And to our members for their loyal support and passion for our lake





# Safe Quiet Lakes, FOCA and MLA Be #WakeAware Campaign:

www.bewakeaware.com

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=X3bYBPbP0qk&t=7s