

## FIMLA AGM 2022 Minutes (Draft)

July 30, 2022

The 2022 Annual General Meeting (AGM) of the Fourteen Island and Mink Lakes Watershed Association (FIMLA) was held at the home of Wendy and John Bakker on Saturday, July 30, 2022. Approximately 51 members attended. One member who was unable to attend voted by proxy.

### 1. Welcome – Mary Rae

FIMLA President Mary Rae called the meeting to order at 11:05 a.m. Mary welcomed everyone and expressed thanks to Wendy and John for hosting the meeting this year.

### 2. 2021 AGM Minutes – Mary Rae

The 2021 AGM minutes were published in the Spring 2022 newsletter. Copies were available at the AGM. Mary Rae briefly reviewed items reported in the 2021 AGM minutes. Mary asked for corrections or additions to the draft 2021 AGM minutes. No changes were noted.

#### *Resolution 2022-1*

Be it resolved to accept the 2021 AGM Minutes as presented in the 2022 Spring Newsletter.

*Moved by Joe Buckley seconded by Janine Knackstedt. Motion voted on and carried.*

### 3. 2021 Financial Report and 2022 Proposed Budget – Karen De Luca

Karen reviewed the FIMLA 2021 Financial Report as of December 31, 2021 and the 2022 Proposed Budget (copies of each were provided in the Spring 2022 newsletter and at the AGM). Karen advised that fees of \$201.27 for incorporation of FIMLA were not shown in the 2022 proposed budget and should be included. Karen noted that to date there was \$43,772.97 in the FIMLA account.

#### *Resolution 2022-2*

Be it resolved that the 2021 Financial Statement and 2022 Proposed Budget as set out in the 2022 Spring Newsletter and presented at the July 30, 2022 Annual General Meeting, as amended, be accepted.

*Moved by Jim Pine seconded by Anne Tucker. Motion voted on and carried.*

### 4. Dam Update – Mary Rae

Mary provided an update on the work completed by D.M. Wills Associates Limited to date, and next steps. Currently, Wills is working on the scoped dam safety assessment, at a cost of around \$12,000. This is required to secure the permits and approvals for the work. Once the safety assessment is completed, and if we have sufficient funds in the reserve, we will get started with preparation of the detailed design work.

It is expected that the risk assessment report will be delivered by October 2022. Once in hand we will have completed the due diligence to go forward to Township, Conservation Authority and Province to solicit interest and funding for the project.

(Also see motion raised under Other Business by Michael Poyner).

## **5. Fundraising Update – Karen De Luca**

Karen provided an update on the amount of money raised for the dam to date, being \$50,400. There was considerable discussion concerning options for fund raising. It was suggested by Mayor Vandewal that the Township be solicited for assistance to go to bat with Quinte Conservation Authority and the Province to create interest, support and seek opportunities to get additional funding.

Tom Bryant made an offer on developing a T-shirt fund raising initiative through his daughter who was involved in similar projects. This would be taken into consideration by the reinvigorated Fundraising Committee led by Claire Zanetti and Sue Pine. Janine Knackstedt offered to also participate. A meeting will be held in the near future to get things rolling.

## **6. Election of Directors**

Mary noted that Dan Gilbert will no longer be serving on the Board of Directors and thanked him for his contribution to the Board. Other members were approached to determine their interest. Claire Zanetti has volunteered to sit on the Board.

### *Resolution 2022-3*

Be it resolved that the following candidates be elected to serve as the Board of Directors of FIMLA for two years, from July 30, 2022 until the Annual General Meeting in 2024:

Karen De Luca, Susan Grigg, John McDougall, Richard Nageleisen, Craig Pettis, Susan Pine, Mary Rae and Claire Zanetti. Anne Tucker will continue on as Past-President. The Board of Directors will elect the Executive after the AGM (President/Chair, Vice-President, Secretary, Treasurer).

*Moved by Janine Knackstedt, seconded by Tom Bourne. Motion voted on and carried.*

## **7. Incorporation of FIMLA – Mary Rae**

Mary provided an update on the incorporation of the Fourteen Island and Mink Lakes Watershed Association (FIMLA) as a non-profit corporation.

Now that FIMLA is incorporated, we are required to pass an organizational by-law. A draft by-law was circulated with the newsletter, and copies were available at the meeting. It sets out the rules and procedures for how the corporation should manage day-to-day activities, such as board meetings and elections. It ensures that FIMLA's procedures are compliant with the governing legislation and reflects many of the provisions that were set out in FIMLA's constitution.

Organizational By-law:

*Resolution 2022-4*

Be it resolved that the Organizational By-law of the Fourteen Island and Mink Lakes Watershed Association be adopted as circulated to the membership with the Spring 2022 Newsletter.

*Moved by Craig Pettis, seconded by John McDougall. Motion voted on and carried.*

One of the requirements for non-profit corporations is the completion of an audit or review engagement (a lesser form of financial review) of the financial statements for each financial year (depending on the annual income). If we receive more than \$10,000 in our financial year from donations other than from members, or from government grants, but provided that our annual income is less than \$100,000, then the members can waive both the audit and the review engagement for the financial year. We can do that by passing a resolution by at least 80% of the votes at a general meeting to not appoint an auditor and to not have an audit or a review engagement. Given that we are dealing with an annual income of less than \$100,000 and given the expense of an audit or a review, the Board recommended that FIMLA waive the requirement.

*Resolution 2022-5*

Be it resolved that the Fourteen Island and Mink Lakes Watershed Association not appoint an auditor and not have an audit or a review engagement in respect of the corporation's 2021 financial year.

*Moved by Tom Bourne, seconded by Jim Pine. Motion voted on and carried.*

**8. Other Business**

Mary asked that those who use the boat launch at Willys Lane contribute \$35 to the Willys Lane Road Association to assist the association in keeping the road maintained. E-transfers may be made to Marj Peart at [marjpeart@gmail.com](mailto:marjpeart@gmail.com).

Alan Boyce offered a reminder to all about the low wake / low speed zones in restricted areas of the lake, especially around the island narrows. Considerable discussion ensued around responsible enjoyment of activities on the lake. Richard Nageleisen offered that he was looking into the Muskoka Lakes programs for Safe and Quiet Lakes and their #WakeAware program. This will be the subject of further discussion by the Board to see if an awareness programme could be conceived for FIMLA.

Mary noted that FIMLA will be discontinuing its post office box. If anyone prefers to mail a cheque instead of sending an e-transfer, they may send to:

The Treasurer, FIMLA  
3037 Old Fourteen Island Lane  
Hartington, Ontario K0H 1W0

A motion was made by Michael Poyner, as follows:

*Resolution 2022-6*

Be it resolved that the FIMLA President, or their designate, will, after receiving the dam safety assessment, send a letter to the Township and/or other appropriate authorities, and

if possible attend a Township meeting, to make them aware of the dam issue and to petition for the necessary funding to effect repairs to the dam on behalf of FIMLA.  
Moved by: Michael Poyner, seconded by Linda Kreick. Motion voted on and carried.

## **9. Adjournment**

Mary Rae asked for a motion to adjourn the AGM at 12:15 a.m. The motion was moved by Janine Knackstedt and seconded by Wendy Rose. Everyone was thanked for attending.

Minutes prepared by Richard Nageleisen.

**FIMLA - 2021 Financial Report & Approved 2022 Annual Budget (as amended)**

	2021 Budget	2021 Actuals	2022 Budget	Notes
<b>Opening Bank Balance (2021-01-01)</b>		<b>18,056.21</b>		
<b>REVENUE</b>				
Lake Association Fees	1,300.00	1,925.00	1,300.00	Association Fees Paid by FIMLA members
Donations to Gord Rodgers FIMLA Reserve*	-	28,113.50	-	Private donations made to the Gord Rodgers FIMLA Reserve
	<b>1,300.00</b>	<b>30,038.50</b>	<b>1,300.00</b>	
<b>EXPENSES</b>				
Website - Domain Name	130.00	117.60	12.00	Annual domain name renewal
Website - Internet Service Provider	-	-	160.00	Payment for internet services
AGM Expenses	-	-	-	Annual General Meeting expenses
Post Office Box	200.00	195.49	-	Payment for Post Office Box services (to be discontinued in 2022)
Federation of Ontario Cottagers Assoc. Membership	300.00	201.27	300.00	Annual FOCA membership
Boat Launch Insurance	250.00	250.00	250.00	Liability Insurance for use of boat launch and dock
Boat Launch General Maintenance	-	-	-	Miscellaneous maintenance - boat launch and dock
Engineering Consulting Fees - 14 Island Lake Dam	9,616.30	9,616.30	11,780.00	Drawn from the Gord Rodgers FIMLA Reserve
Postage	-	11.84	-	
Incorporation Fees	-	201.27	-	Fees for incorporation of FIMLA
	<b>10,496.30</b>	<b>10,593.77</b>	<b>12,502.00</b>	
<b>Closing Bank Balance (2021-12-31)</b>		<b>37,500.94</b>		
<b>Gord Rodgers FIMLA Reserve</b>	<b>5,313.70</b>	<b>33,427.20</b>	<b>21,647.20</b>	
<b>Operating Funds Available</b>		<b>4,073.74</b>		

\*the Gord Rodgers FIMLA Reserve was established at the 2018 AGM, in memory of Gord Rodgers, for future projects for preservation of the watershed.