



HURONIA WOODLAND OWNERS ASSOCIATION

Minutes
Annual General Meeting
Saturday April 30th , 2022
Chapter of the Ontario Woodlot Association
Community Hall 4th Line & HW 11

Meeting called to order by Jack McFadden at 13:02

Agenda reviewed and a motion was made by John Crawford to accept the agenda, seconded by Mark Scharf – Carried

Minutes - Cameron Douglas

- Cameron Douglas reviewed the previous years minutes. No issues reported.
- Sandy Agnew motioned for their acceptance, Seconded by Chris Ellsmere – carried

Treasurer's Report - John Crawford

- John Crawford did a detailed review of our income, expenses, and our balance sheet

See attached

- No issues or questions arose.
- John Crawford motioned that the financials be approved as presented. Jim Laking seconded – Carried

Review of HWOA activities - Doug Frost

- Doug Frost informed the membership that all activities within our organization had been put on hold for the previous period, however the directors had continued to meet regularly through Zoom calls
- Doug Frost informed all that the OWA will be merging with the Eastern Ontario Model Forest organization which is a registered charity. This will bring significantly advantages in our ability to raise funds

*2022 Status: The OWA Board unanimously approved the merger with **the EOMF** at their March 17, 2021 meeting with a one year transition. The merger is underway. To meet provincial and federal legislation requirements, the completion of the merger between OWA and the EOMF is not expected until 2023.*

- Doug Frost also informed the membership that the OWA has a planned project with Birds Canada.

White Pine Award - Jack McFadden

- Jack McFadden reviewed a brief provided by Neil Craig.
- Jack McFadden reviewed the long history of the award and how important it is to recognize members and individuals who are not members whom have distinguished themselves in the Huronia area for the work they have done towards managing our forests for not only today but future generations. Jack McFadden then asked for nominations for the upcoming meeting in Elmvale in November.

HWOA Scholarship Awards – Mark Scharf

- Mark gave an update on the awards program and that this year we have 2 very worthy recipients, Mr. Rainer Dinkelmann and Ms. Caitlin Zvanovec. Both recipients provided videos as they were not able to attend in person. Videos by both were very well received.

Paddle for Auction

- Terry Walton generously presented Jack McFadden with a paddle that he had made for the association to auction off. Jack McFadden thanked Terry for the kind gift.

Election of Directors – Cameron Douglas

- Cameron Douglas informed the membership present that Neil Craig would not be standing for re-election due to other community commitments. Cameron Douglas reminded the members present that Neil was a director for many years, left for a number of years (remained a member) and then returned to again serve many more years as a director. Cameron Douglas thanked Neil for his dedicated service to the HWOA.
- Cameron Douglas then asked Doug Frost and John Crawford if they would continue to stand as directors for an additional 3 years. Both agreed.

- Cameron Douglas open nominations to the floor and Craig Drury agreed to stand as a director.
- Cameron Douglas asked for a motion for acceptance of the 3. Earl Dertinger motioned, John Crawford seconded – carried

New Business

- Ken Ewens reminded everyone that he has driveway signs available for purchase.
- Jack McFadden reminded all that the Forest Health meeting would take place on June 25th at the Oro Station Hall (7th & Ridge Road)

Break

- Doug Frost introduced our guest speaker Jim Eccles
- Jim spoke in great detail with regard to the Huronia Community Forest Owners' Co-operative. His presentation was well received and generated numerous questions.
- Chris Ellsmere thanked Jim and presented him with a bottle of Maple syrup.

Meeting adjourned.