

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

November 13, 2019

PRESIDENT'S REPORT SUMMARY

- Introduction of Board Members for 2018-2019
 - Mike Mikkelson - President
 - Duncan McColl - Past President
 - Jim Wilkins - Treasurer
 - Mike Styczen
 - Daniel Heath
 - Kristi Reinhardt
 - Michelle Tamblyn
 - Shawn Kao
 - Stuart Parnell
- Introduction of Park Staff
- Auditors: MNP LLP (not present)
- Scrutineer Report: 10 members (plus the board) present

FINANCIAL REPORT

- Please request a financial statements through email at office@lake-bonavista.ca or pop by the office during office hours.
- Summary
 - Capital project is underway, replacing seawall and dock system.
 - No other major capital projects in foreseeable future.
 - No fee increase anticipated in upcoming year.
 - No unusual events to report from audit.

OPERATIONS REPORT FOR THE FISCAL YEAR APRIL 1, 2018 THRU MARCH 31, 2019

HEAD COUNT - April 1, 2018 thru March 31, 2019

- There were 103,568 people that came through our gates at Lake Bonavista. This number was comprised of 63,266 members and 40,302 guests.

- Skating Months
 - Dec 2018-March 31 2019 23, 912
 - Dec 2017-March 31 2018 21,855
 - Dec 2016-March 31 2017 24,050
- Summer Months
 - June, July, August 2018 59,068
 - June, July, August 2017 77,577
 - June, July, August 2016 61,069

WATER

- Water quality remained good throughout the swimming season. It should be noted that water quality levels for man-made lakes have been changed to those of natural lakes and that we do submit weekly samples to Alberta Health Services for testing from several areas of the lake during the swimming season.
- Water clarity had been somewhat of an issue throughout the open water season. We enlisted the help of Stephen Goudy of Limnos Ltd. to identify the cause of the turbidity. A sensor array that identifies water temperature and clarity was placed in the lake off the North West end of the hill to help identify if this is a seasonal phenomenon or not. This is an excerpt from Stephen Gaudy email regarding a possible cause -
 - I believe the cloudy greenish blueish discoloration is a result of calcite formation in the Lake. This is supported by the elemental analysis, particle size of the suspended material, and the fact that the Lake is supersaturated with respect to calcite. The fine particles are kept in suspension because the Lake is shallow and well mixed throughout the summer. The particles should settle out over winter under ice cover. The transition from winter to spring was also a contributing factor – it was rapid and resulted in a rapid increase in water temperature over a short time period. This would have accelerated the formation of calcite (temperature dependent – less soluble at higher temperatures). I would also add that it's a natural phenomenon and that there's really nothing you can do about it (no practical cost effective solution). Water clarity is also similar to conditions in the 80's and varies seasonally.

WEED CONTROL

- The Lake was treated with the herbicide “Reward” to control the aquatic weeds on June 19th. As per our license, the water and beaches were closed until noon on June 21st. The treatment was successful and as always the Association is looking into alternative methods of controlling the weeds.

ICE

- The top rink opened for skating on December 9th. December 13th saw work begin on the lake skating surfaces and although not conditioned with the Zamboni, they were open for use on 21st. The lake ice reached the minimum thickness of 12 inches to support the weight of the Zamboni on January 9th. The skating season ended on March 18th.

ZAMBONI FIRE

- On February 26th our employee was refueling the Zamboni after conditioning the top rink when the vehicle caught fire. The employee was able to vacate the area immediately and phone 911. In a short time the entire Zamboni was engulfed. The fire department attended within minutes to knock the fire out and assess the employee's condition. On the advice of EMS, the employee was taken by ambulance to be treated for flash burns on both hands and around his forehead. He was cleared by his physician to return to work on March 11th and is doing fine. Our insurance company, Northbridge, had been very timely and attentive to our needs. The cost of the rental Zamboni to see us through the remainder of the season, cleanup and removal of the burnt unit was covered by Northbridge. Insurance has covered the cost of a brand new Zamboni unit we expect delivery by the end of November, 2019.

FISH

- Whirling disease had been confirmed in the province of Alberta in the summer of 2016. This disease affects trout, whitefish and salmonids, and can cause infected fish to swim in a whirling pattern and die prematurely. Whirling disease is not harmful to humans or other mammals and the Canadian Food Inspection Agency has stated there are no health concerns for people using infected bodies of water or eating infected fish.
- The discovery of the disease in the wild greatly impacted our ability to stock the lake. The Provincial Government halted the movement of hatchery fish throughout Alberta and thus did not renew our commercial game fish farm license as well as those of other Calgary lakes for 2017. Catch and release rule was instituted in order to conserve what fish remained in the lake.
- 2018 saw very good news with the renewal of our Fish Culture license. We have now been able to secure stocking contracts for the foreseeable future. The province is still trying to confirm if we and other local lakes do in fact have whirling disease present.

WATERFRONT PROJECT (Pictures below)

- Due to the age and condition of the present seawall it had become apparent that we needed to replace, rather than repair, the structure and docks. This

Waterfront Project will include a new seawall, new aluminum docks, and a larger asphalt walkway/sitting area. Securing a contractor, planning and permitting started in 2018. Construction was slated to begin in the Fall of 2019 with the removal of the docks and timber seawall and the placement of a new sheet pile wall. In the Spring of 2020 the new docks will be installed. We envision this project to be complete before June 2020.

ELECTION OF DIRECTORS

- Eight of the Nine Board Members have expressed their intentions of staying. That leaves one spot open for someone to join the board. We have received one resume so far. If anyone is interested in joining, please send a resume and cover letter to office@lake-bonavista.ca before the end of November 2019.
- Our Treasurer Jim Wilkins will be stepping down after many years on the LBHA Board. We thank him for his years of service. Board member Michelle Tamblyn will be taking of the Treasurer duties.

COMMENTS FOR ATTENDEES

- Thanks given to LBHA for the condition of the park.
- Thanks given to LBHA for the Seniors Social Mornings held each Thursday morning.
- One members suggested a microphone and speaker for future meetings, as it was difficult to hear.
- One member concerned with slate stones going up the sides of waterfall, as they become slippery when wet. Park Superintendent stated that the stones aren't actually walking stones but accents to the sides of the waterfall. But he will look into the safety aspect.
- One member made positive comments about our Summer Boat House staff, stating they were very good this year and extremely helpful and courteous.
- Thanks given to Jim Wilkins for his years of service to the community. We wish him all the best.

ADJOURNED