

Minutes for CAWG monthly board meeting, July 12, 2023

Location: Cornwall Town Hall

Time: 7:30 P.M.

Attendance: Hannah MacLean, Karlie Fitzpatrick, Bruce Bennet, Jamie Taylor, Judy Herlihy,
Julie Pellissier-Lush, Veronica Jendrick, Karalee MacAskill

Proceedings:

- Approval of agenda
- Approval of last month's minutes (Bruce moves to approve, Jamie seconds)
- Banking update. Karlie and Ryan have a meeting with BMO on Friday, July 14th, to try making arrangements for e-transfer. If this meeting doesn't go as hoped, they will reach out to the Credit Union.
- Jamie had a meeting with the Warren Grove mayor, Laurie. She is interested in attending a board meeting to see what we are about. Hannah met the CAO for Warren Grove at our Canada Day event and the idea came up that we might participate in their "Warren Grove Day" in September. This could be an opportunity to give away our remaining trees.
- Discussed need for new board members. Julie is sitting in on today's board meeting with the consideration of joining the board. We would like to recruit others as well, including someone with agriculture background, and various other backgrounds. The idea of getting more people with board experience came up and Julie mentioned that Holland College gives workshops/training for new board members, and there are other entities as well.
- Treasury report:

- o \$10,000 from Aquaculture Alliance for shoreline cleanups.
 - o Island Coastal bid for the Hyde Pond project is higher than expected (\$179,650), but we have not found a better option, so we plan to go with them.
 - o We received \$180.85 in donations from the tree giveaway.
- Coordinator's report
- Debrief of the tree giveaway event. Hannah is going to reach out to WRIG regarding their trees for donations event to get an idea about the red tape of soliciting donations.
- Update regarding Coles Pond dredging. The area is to be turned into a public park; we may need to do some clearing/cleanup in that area.
- Discussion with Julie Pellissier-Lush. We went around the table with introductions. Julie talked about her background; she has volunteered in a number of environmental and conservation roles, is the current knowledge-keeper for the Mi'kmaq Confederacy, and has a lot of experience as a board member.
- Karalee arrived around 8 p.m. and the board presented her with the painting commissioned from Julie Purcel.
- Meeting adjourned at 8:25 pm.