

CAWG Monthly Board Meeting Minutes

Date: August 9, 2023

Location: Cornwall Town Hall

Attendees: Bruce Bennett, Jamie Taylor, Ryan Mahoney, Veronica Jendrick, Hannah MacLean, Senya Djelouah

Proceedings:

- Senya arrived at the start of the meeting; she is a member of the public who saw on our website that we have meetings every month.
- Ryan reports that the meeting with BMO determined that they do not have the ability to set us up for e-transfer. He and Karlie will approach other banks.
- Discussion of bylaws, the idea of a special meeting to review bylaws came up, as well as opening membership. We would like to hold public events/meetings to recruit members. Bruce suggested that he might be interested in organizing such events.
- Hannah spoke to Trout River Environmental Committee about soliciting donations (since they have trees for donations events). They said that it is generally safe to list a “suggested donation”. However, the nursery does not want trees being given or sold to the public but would instead like them to be planted in riparian areas by skilled workers. They are having a meeting about this with Forests, Fish, and Wildlife in September.
- Warren Grove days in September, this may be an opportunity to give away our remaining trees.
- Work Summary from Veronica Jendrick
- Coles Pond Dredging is being postponed until next year. The landowner was having property issues, we need to get soil samples prior to the contracting.

- Veronica and Irene would like to work into the fall. This requires a vote from the board, so Hannah will need to create proposals for the board to review and vote on. The goal is to have these proposals ready for a meeting on the 23rd at 7p.m. via zoom.
- Jamie was not able to hold a meeting with Laurie Turner (Mayor of Warren Grove) but is working on setting up a meeting between Laurie and Hannah.
- Jamie confirmed that Julie Lush is interested in becoming a board member.
- The board is interested in the “Board Member Training” offered by Holland College. The cost is \$100 per person, and the idea would be to have all board members take the training. We do not have quorum today, so this will be voted on at the special meeting on the 23rd.
- Discussed the option of learning more about the high efficiency fertilizers and possibly promoting them.
- Went over the details of holiday pay for Canada Day. Holiday pay was not issued for that day and will have to be calculated and issued.
- Meeting adjourned at 8:22 p.m.