

SOS 1000 ISLANDS MEETING MINUTES

DATE: Tuesday, December 13th, 2016

LOCATION: Meeting room – Bud’s on the Bay

PRESENT: Tom Scott, Ian Zimmerman, Roy Letts, Steve Hatch, Jennifer Bush, Michael Pinault, Gerald Baker, Todd Patterson, Daniel Krupa, Stephan Senécal, Helen Cooper, Mike Lehman, Nathalie Landry.

REGRETS: Sharon VanSchyndel, John VanSchyndel, Dave Sheridan and Greg Buscombe.

Meeting called to order at 7:00.

MINUTES

Motion to approve November 2016 minutes. Motion: Stephan Senécal, 2nd Jennifer Bush – passed.

FINANCIAL

Bank Account - As of December 7th, 2016 – SOS Account Balance \$6,374.05
- Dave Cooper’s Memorial Fund balance - \$292.45
- Adjusted SOS bank balance - \$6,041.23
- Donation boxes – \$106.83. Maybe put additional sign for the one at Blockhouse.

➤ Report on Dave Cooper’s part:

- ❖ So far, we have \$292.45 left from the \$5,000.00 that we received from Helen Cooper. It was discussed if SOS Thousand Island would be in favour of lending \$1,000.00 in order for the volunteers to be able to purchase some material to start building the new step railings while in the low season. Motion: Todd Paterson, 2nd Jennifer Bush – passed.

MOORINGS

All moorings are out of the water and jugs were put on the Daryaw, Muskie and Gaskin.

CENTEEN PARK

- Bathroom - Key pad lock is still to be placed by the City of Brockville at Centeen Park. Maybe ask for one at St. Lawrence Park?
- Training Platform - A trampoline will be tried for a 3rd platform next spring. Motion: Stephan Senécal, 2nd Ian Zimmerman – passed.
- Underwater Sculptures Park - Layout of underwater park (Centeen map): ask Chris to incorporate 2nd stairs. Tom to follow up with Christopher.
- We talk about Dave Sheridan’s idea of placing a bronze plaque (+/- \$700.00) for a 10x15. Helen Cooper said not now, we will look into options. Roy Letts talk about the one Chris Holloway made.

Parking along Water Street

SOS 1000 Islands may suggest the limit be raised at our January presentation to the City. We agreed that the debate about parking should not become an SOS issue.

Tokens

- Sales: 543 tokens were sale for and amount of \$4,887.00. We had \$796.43 in expenses for a net income of \$4,090.57 to be shared with the City of Brockville in a proportion of 70% for the City of Brockville (\$3,420.90) and 30% (\$1,466.10) for the SOS Thousand Islands Chapter. Additional \$53.00 in SOS donations from vendors. We still have \$144.00 to collect from Centre de plongée Nepteau (cheque appears to be lost in the mail). Motion: Steven Hatch, 2nd Roy Letts – passed.
- SOS position on tokens being mandatory/not: It was discussed that SOS Thousand Island Chapter will not support the tokens being mandatory.
- Color of tokens for 2017: Green. Motion for Steve Hatch to order 2017 tokens as required: Todd Paterson, 2nd Ian Zimmerman – passed.

Dive Ambassador

Tom Scott reported that the Board of SOS gave us an ok for the project. We will discuss this matter more at the SOS Annual Social Event in January. Update deadline for application is January 20th.

Underwater Camera

- It was discussed that the Aquatarium has elected not to partner with SOS Thousand Island Chapter on this project. We will discuss this topic more at the February meeting.

2nd set of stairs

- Tom Scott reported that Russ Fraser and Conal Cosgrove from the City of Brockville were very pleased with the work done. It was discussed to put post with some d-rings in the water near the steps to help divers.
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PRESENTATION TO CITY OF BROCKVILLE

Content:

- Upgrades, 2nd set of stairs, benches, access to bathroom, 3 hour parking issue, mooring added for the handicap diver access, limit closing of Centeen Park for different activities.

Who is making presentation:

- Tom Scott

SOS 1000 ISLANDS MANDATE & FOCUS

More education for the non divers and divers.

ANNUAL SOCIAL EVENT

The Annual Social Event will take place on Saturday, January 7th, 2017 from 1:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m. in the Common Room at the Four Winds, 109 King Street East, Brockville, ON K6V 1B8. All members are welcome and it will be a potluck. Tom suggests that people enter from the rear of the building. Please RSVP to Tom or Nathalie so that we have an idea how many plan to attend.

NOMINATIONS FOR 2017 BOARD EXECUTIVE OF 1000 ISLANDS CHAPTER

Additional nominations will be accepted and elections will be held at the February meeting

- President: - Tom Scott
Vice-President: - Jennifer Bush
Treasurer: - Steven Hatch
Moorings Coordinator - Stephan Senécal
Secretary: - Nathalie Landry

NEW BUSINESS

Helen Cooper called the town of Prescott to see if they would allow us to move their anchors and they told her that they are considering allowing diving again.

NEXT MEETING

Tuesday February 14th, 2017. Meeting Room – Buds On The Bay.

Motion to adjourn meeting at 9:50 p.m.