

Lake Kagawong Resource Committee
Minutes April 30, 2019
Park Centre Lower

In Attendance

Chairperson Bryan Barker (Councillor)
Bob Clifford
Brian Foreshew
John Hoekstra
Sharon Jackson (Councillor)
Dejan Kovecev
Kathy McDonald (Staff)
Stan Pierce
Tom Sasvari (Media)
Rob Seifried

Absent:

Les Rackham
Brenda Wall (non-voting member)
Steve Webber

The meeting opened at 7:30 p.m. with Bryan Barker presiding.

Bryan thanked everyone for attending.

Agenda:

-approved as presented

Disclosure of Pecuniary Interest

-none

Minutes

Motion by Bob Clifford, Seconded by Stan Pierce

That the minutes of the April 16, 2019 meeting be approved as presented.

Carried

Old Business

Bryan Barker gave a report on the Standing Advisory Committee meeting that was held on April 25, 2019.

New Business

Dam/OEC Web Site Monitoring

- Brian Forshew volunteered to monitor the gauge at the dam
- Stan Pierce volunteered to monitor the website

Additional Training/Speakers

-Laurentian University has offered to talk to the committee regarding water levels

Round Table Comments/Discussion – Next Steps

- discussion regarding snowpack
- Lake Kagawong is basically a reservoir
- it may not be a good idea to dump water out of the dam in the winter.
- discussion regarding OEC drawing water during the winter.
- comment OEC needs to know the lake and they seem to be taking an interest in learning.
- comment Viva Villa Creek is a big part of the watershed. It can have overflowing banks one day and be back to normal two days later.
- Pike Spawn discussion. Incubation period approximately 5-7 days.
- question asked – has any fish been pulled out from behind the firehall? Dejan reported none, only a few frogs and some snakes.
- discussion regarding ways of diverting fish from the canal.
- discussion regarding the gate by the canal near the penstock. There is also a gate where the highway crosses Hwy 540. No one at the meeting knows if it still works.
- discussion regarding winter monitoring.
- discussion regarding winter power generating
- discussion regarding rule curve and could it change
- comment that we need to give the rule curve a chance
- committee advised that the hope was that the new Climate Change Coordinator would complete an inventory of the water lines going into Lake Kagawong.
- comment that most people used the water in an environmentally conscious way.

Meeting Dates:

Next meeting Tuesday May 14, 2019, 7:30 p.m. at the Park Centre.