



**G.O.R.A. – A.R.G.O.
Greater Otter Lake Residents Association
Association des Residents du Grand Otter Lake**

**26th Annual General Meeting Minutes
Saturday, July 8, 2023
Otter Lake Recreation Association Hall
Otter Lake, QC**

1.0 Opening of Meeting

2.0 Verification of Quorum
Quorum established.

3.0 Adoption of Agenda

Motion made by Stewart Wilson from Farm Lake to adopt the Agenda as presented seconded by Terry Lafleur from Farm Lake and unanimously accepted.

4.0 GORA Board Introduction

5.0 Approval of Minutes from 2021 AGM

Motion made by Stewart Wilson from Farm Lake to adopt the Minutes from the 2021 AGM as presented, seconded by Patricia Lindsay from Hughes Lake and unanimously accepted.

6.0 Reports of Officers

6.1 Presidents Report

In the President's Report Jennifer Quaile gave an update on the Boat Washing station. She confirmed that the new hot water boat washing equipment and paying Kiosk had been installed. By all accounts this project has been well received by the public. The magnetic cards for the property owners continue to be issued with positive feed back. The President reminded members to pick up an Attestation Form that is available today and present it at the Municipality to attain your magnetic cards.

Boat launches are being monitored on a regular basis by the Municipality. Warnings have been issued to those who have not displayed a boat wash receipt on their dashboard. She believes that there have been no fines issued so far this year.

The President has attained confirmation that the MRC Pontiac has the authority over the land where the Hughes Lake boat launch is located. The Mayor of Otter

Lake has recently requested and has received the right to maintain this area of land ie; to trim tree branches along the side of the entranceway. This means going forward that GORA should not be doing any of the upkeep in terms of washouts etc. If anyone sees an issue at the launch, please get in touch with the Municipal Office.

The Lake water testing continues with RSVL. GORA would like to thank the volunteers who participated in the lake water testing and the Secchi Disk transparency testing throughout the summer.

For the last three years, we have been taking samples of the water and sending them to the Ministry of Environment where they are analyzed. They were tested for phosphorus, chlorophyll, and different organic compounds.

The results from the testing were excellent and the Ministry recommended no need to take further samples this year, perhaps in the future it will be continued.

This testing costs \$500 per lake and GORA would like to thank the Municipality for donating 50% of the cost. The results are available on the GORA website.

There is other testing taking place on Farm Lake this summer for oxygen levels. The President donated her boat to assist with the testing.

GORA would like to thank the various merchants that donated towards the Gift Basket; Coin de Picanoc, Beauchamp Service Station, Creative Edge Hair Style, Dale's Home Hardware, I Love Chocolate, Rumours Restaurant.

Motion made by Nick Cushman from m Lake to adopt the President's Report as presented, seconded by Paul Linneboe from Hughes Lake and unanimously accepted.

6.2 Treasurer's Report

Motion made by Stewart Wilson from Farm Lake to adopt the Treasurer's report as presented, seconded by Dorothy Langman from Farm Lake and unanimously accepted.

7.0 Mayor/Town Council Update and Member Question and Answer

A number of the councillors were present at the meeting and the Mayor gave a brief update as to various projects that would be taking place this summer. There will be various road work; culverts, paving repairs etc.

8.0 Elections

The following people were nominated to the board for the 2022 – 2023 term Jennifer Quaille; Susan Desabrais; Stewart Wilson, Paul Linneboe, Terry Lafleur, Dorothy Langman, Nick Cushman H  l  ne Boulet and Daniel Lamarche. Motion made by

Patricia Lindsay from Hughes Lake to accept the nominations as presented; seconded by Leona Ryan from Farm Lake and unanimously accepted.

Motion made by Patricia Lindsay from Hughes Lake to accept the GORA Board as presented; seconded by Robin Zacharias from Farm Lake and unanimously accepted.

9.0 **Members Question and Answer/New Business**

No questions from the floor.

10.0 **Adjournment**

Motion made by Jennifer Quaile from Farm Lake to close the 2022 AGM meeting at 11:45AM seconded by Paul Linneboe from Hughes Lake and unanimously accepted.